

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

**MAY 29, 2017**  
**8:00 p.m.**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of Montreal West held on May 29, 2017 at the Town Hall located at 50 Westminster Avenue South.

Present: Mr. Beny Masella, Mayor  
Ms. Julie Tasker-Brown, Councillor  
Ms. Elizabeth Ulin, Councillor  
Ms. Colleen Feeney, Councillor  
Ms. Maria Torres, Councillor

Also present: Mr. Claude Gilbert, Interim Director General and Town Clerk

Mayor Beny Masella acted as chairperson of the meeting.  
Mr. Claude Gilbert, Town Clerk, acted as secretary of the meeting.

Twelve (12) residents and visitors were in attendance.

**1. Opening of the Meeting**

It was moved by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin, seconded by Councillor Colleen Feeney and resolved:

That the Meeting be declared open.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-001

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

**2. Acknowledgement of Visitors**

Mayor Masella greeted and welcomed Lieutenant Fred Jennings from the Montréal Police Department (Neighbourhood Police Station 9).

**3. Adoption of the Agenda**

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin and resolved:

To adopt the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of Monday, May 29, 2017 modified as following:

- by removing item 10g): **Programme Rénovation Québec.**

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-002

**4. Approval of the Minutes**

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Maria Torres and resolved:

To approve the Minutes of the Council Meetings held on the following dates:

- Regular Meeting of April 24, 2017;
- Special Meeting of May 8, 2017;
- Special Meeting of May 12, 2017
- Special Meeting of May 25, 2017.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-003

5. **Correspondence**

There was nothing under this item.

6. **Report of the Mayor**

Mayor Masella began his report by summing up the items that were addressed in the three special Council meetings which took place this month. He noted the hiring of a new Director General, Me Raffaele Di Stasio, and thanked the managers who held the fort in the interim period after Me Stephan Dulude left. He praised the good job done by Public Works and Public Security employees who were sent in the West Island to help their colleagues of one of the municipalities that were overwhelmed with the emergencies resulting from recent floods. On another point, he said that the tenders received for the second phase of the Davies Park renovation project exceeded the cost estimates. As a consequence, the Town chose not to proceed with this work this summer. Finally, he mentioned that the next Coffee with the Mayor will be June 22.

7. **First Public Question Period**

The Mayor announced the beginning of the First Public Question Period at 8:10 p.m.

Residents were invited to ask the Mayor and Councillors questions concerning matters of general interest.

Abby Shyavitz raised again the question of whether Council meetings could be webcast. She mentioned that she talked to the Communications Coordinator, who said he appreciated her suggestions but needed a mandate from Council. Councillor Ulin said the Councillors' preference would be to do it on the Town's website rather than Facebook. They also want to rely on other municipalities' experience, and no one uses Facebook. With these guidelines, the Coordinator will have the mandate to look into what can be done. The resident noted that from what she found out, it is very expensive if you do not use Facebook. Councillor Ulin answered that not everyone is on Facebook. As for the timeline, the goal is to redo the website this summer.

Tony Chamberland asked for an update on the traffic situation in his neighborhood. Mayor Masella mentioned that signs and speed bumps are going to be installed, apart from the bigger solutions that have been talked about for Brock and Avon. Temporary bollards have been designed that would prevent drivers on Courtney from going South.

Ian Robinson asked when was made the grant application for a new recreation complex. The Mayor said it was done last fall. The resident asked if he remembered the level of public support he had stated would be needed before doing that. The Mayor answered he did not say that with respect to applying for a grant, but that the project would not go forward without enough public support, which is not the same thing. At this time, the application has not even been answered yet. The resident said he was also surprised the Town got a concept for the building before knowing how much support there was for a new one. The Mayor explained again that it was needed to back the grant application, and no work would be undertaken without the money being secured. Councillor Feeney added that it was also said the Town would go back to the residents at a later stage. The resident asked if the Town considered the way other municipalities govern themselves in such matters. Councillor Feeney answered she made that research and what it shows is that each municipality has its way and it may not necessarily work for others.

Cynthia Nichols noted that it is Memorial Day in the USA and offered a plant for the occasion. The Mayor asked her if it was to be planted at the Cenotaph, and suggested that she does not bring another such gift before making sure what the Town could actually do with it before. The resident complained that she was not invited to attend Volunteer Night and Community Night. Councillor Ulin made it clear that no invitations are needed to attend Community Night, while on the other hand, it is the volunteer groups in Montreal West that decide who are their guests at the other event.

Paul Kenton said that he would prefer Council meetings not to be webcast on Facebook. He questioned what Councillor Feeney said about the debt of Montreal West compared to other municipalities. He also put in doubt the accuracy of some of the auditor's comments quoted by Ms. Feeney. He said taxes were more reasonable back in 2006. He added that Montreal West, not having an industrial tax base, should not consider paying for a new arena. He stated once again that the Town should have offered another option along with the new recreation complex. Mayor Masella said that he tried to obtain cost estimates for arenas with a gymnasium. On the other hand, he also said there was never an ambiguity about his own position concerning this project, having campaigned on that in 2013. The resident asked if he could see the cost estimate. The Mayor said he would find out.

Louise Chenevert asked what happened with a tree that was cut down at a given address. Councillor Feeney said the resident was contacted and told that he needed a report from an arborist to prove it was in bad shape, otherwise he would be fined. The resident criticized the notion that would allow to issue a permit after the fact. Councillor Ulin was of the opinion that a fine should be imposed if there was no permit beforehand. Councillor Tasker-Brown added that there might be an obligation to plant a new tree after the supposedly sick one was cut. The resident asked for the status of the Tree Policy project. The Mayor said it is not finalized, but a resolution has been adopted to request the Public Works Department to plant trees on Town land following certain guidelines. Councillor Ulin noted that this resolution is itself a version of the future policy. Councillor Tasker-Brown added that the main reason why the policy has not been adopted yet is that the existing draft must be cleaned up in terms of readability. The resident reminded Council that she wished her tree walks around the Montreal West be put in the community calendar or in the Recreation brochure. Councillor Ulin said the resident may contact the Recreation and Culture Department to see the best way to publicize them.

Abby Shyavitz asked if she could see the grant application for the recreation center. The Mayor said it was done online and was not sure if it was available in print. The resident also asked if the scope of the project could be limited after a positive answer to the grant application. The Mayor noted that the way it works is not that a subsidy amount will be guaranteed but a percentage of a maximum eligible amount will be financed.

Michael Shindler expressed the opinion that the financial data presented in preamble of the survey package showed the recreation center project could not have been funded solely through a grant and a tax scenario at \$100 yearly per household. Mayor Masella answered that the global scenario involved using money from the surplus and fund-raising. The resident said that it means 52% of the respondents were ready to pay only for a portion of the cost in that scenario. Concerning Davies Park, he asked if the cost estimate is public. Councillor Ulin noted that the lowest bid was 10% above the cost estimate. The Mayor said the Town may go to tender again. The resident questioned whether it could be assumed the people were in favor of that project without knowing the costs. Councillor Feeney noted that the need for a dog park was discussed for years before addressing the actual costs factor. Councillor Tasker-Brown observed that the park and the arena are quite different projects in that respect. Councillor Torres said that the cost estimate could be disclosed once the contract is given, not earlier, for obvious reasons in order not to let potential bidders know the Town's expectations.

David Superstein noted that a landscaping architect was hired a few years ago to put forward a beautification project for Westminster Avenue. He wondered where it is now. Councillor Tasker-Brown said it is not finished yet. The consultant has prepared a plan which has been looked upon by the Planning Advisory Committee. It is going to be finalized but that takes time.

Louise Chenevert asked what Council will do to honor a well-known deceased resident on Canada Day. Councillor Ulin said she was not aware that something was to be done at that time, but she will ask the staff at the Community Center.

The First Question Period ended at 9:15 p.m.

## **8. Contracts and Town Clerk's Office**

### **a) Regular Council meeting date in June 2017**

It was moved by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin, seconded by Councillor Colleen Feeney and resolved:

- 1) That resolution #20161024-004 concerning the calendar of regular meetings of Council in 2017 be modified to move the date of the next regular meeting from June 26 to June 27.
- 2) That a notice be posted in The Suburban to inform the public of this modification, as well as on the social media and at the Town Hall.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-004

## **9. Administration and finances**

### **a) Approval of disbursements – April 19 to May 23, 2017**

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Maria Torres and resolved:

That the list of accounts payable from April 19 to May 23, 2017 totaling \$637,026.95 be approved and paid as listed.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-005

**b) Delegation of powers for the month of May 2017**

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Colleen Feeney and resolved:

To approve the report of the Director General by interim concerning the exercise of powers delegated under By-Law No. 2005-002 for the month of May 2017.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-006

**c) Amendment to resolution #20170130-004**

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown and resolved:

That paragraph 5 of the resolution quoted in title be replaced with the following:

“That this expenditure be charged to budget account 02-330-00-512.”.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-007

**10. Urban Department**

**a) Site Planning Projects and Architectural Integration Programs (SPAIP)**

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown and resolved:

- 1) To acknowledge receipt of the minutes of a meeting held by the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) on May 24, 2017.
- 2) To approve under the SPAIP the following plans submitted to this meeting, subject to the conditions stated by the PAC as outlined in the minutes, as the case may be:

<b>Address</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>PAC's recommendation</b>
51 Wolseley N.	installation of railings on the roof terrace	as presented;
27 Brock S.	construction of a deck in the back yard	as presented;
34 Nelson	replacement of nine windows	as presented;
265 Sheraton	replacement of six windows	as presented;
130 Ballantyne N.	replacement of eleven windows	as presented;
14 Garden	staining of the bricks on front façade	as presented;
315 Westminster N.	replacement of front door and left side window as well as of five windows on the second floor of rear facade	with conditions;
220 Strathearn N.	modification of a side deck into a landing with stairs	as presented;
312 Brock N.	replacement of six windows	as presented;
222 Percival	replacement of eight windows;	with conditions;
1 Nelson	construction of a deck in the back yard	as presented;
88 Wolseley N.	replacement of a garden shed	as presented.

- 3) To defer the examination of the following plans to a next meeting of this Council, in accordance with the recommendations of the PAC as outlined in the minutes:

<b>Address</b>	<b>Project</b>
171 Brock S.	construction of a detached condo building (21 units).
220 Strathearn N.	repainting the pillars, decks, fascia and cladding.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-008

**b) Approval of a Draft By-Law and fixing of the date of a public consultation meeting – By-Law Amending the Planning Programme enacted by By-Law No. 2009-007 in order to remove lot 1 292 123 from the “Low-density residential” land-use designation to include it into the “Mixed-use” land designation**

It was moved by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown, seconded by Councillor Colleen Feeney and resolved:

1) To approve the Draft By-Law for a By-Law Amending the Planning Programme enacted by By-Law No. 2009-007 in order to remove lot 1 292 123 from the "Low-density residential" land-use designation to include it into the "Mixed-use" land designation.

2) To convene a public consultation meeting on this Draft By-Law at the Community Center John A. Simms, on June 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-009

**c) Minor exemption request (179 Sheraton)**

*NOTE* Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown summarized the issues involved in the following matter. She also noted that it had been advertised in the newspaper. No comments were received since the publication (and none were made after these explanations).

It was moved by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown, seconded by Councillor Colleen Feeney and resolved:

That the plans and request submitted to the April 19, 2017 meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee be approved, in accordance with By-Laws 2010-002 and G-18-0005, for the following minor exemption from section 3.2.2 of the Zoning By-Law, regarding the immovable located at 179 Sheraton:

- Allow that the front setback of the existing building be 3.57 metres from the property line, while the minimum setback is 3.65 metres in zone RA-3, the consequence being to reduce this requirement by 0.08 metre.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-010

**d) Minor exemption request (102 Sheraton)**

*NOTE* Councillor Colleen Feeney summarized the issues involved in the following matter. She also noted that it had been advertised in the newspaper. No comments were received since the publication (and none were made after these explanations).

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown and resolved:

That the plans and request submitted to the April 19, 2017 meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee be approved, in accordance with By-Laws 2010-002 and G-18-0005, for the following minor exemptions from the fourth subparagraph of the first paragraph and from the first subparagraph of the second paragraph of section 3.3.2 of the Zoning By-Law, regarding the immovable located at 102 Sheraton:

- Allow the replacement of stone cladding with aluminum clapboard above the garage door, despite the fact that this material is only authorized on storeys other than the ground floor and in a maximum proportion of 15% of the exterior surface of the building, the consequence being to waive these two requirements.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-011

**e) Minor exemption request (208 Westminster North)**

*NOTE* Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown summarized the issues involved in the following matter. She also noted that it had been advertised in the newspaper. No comments were received since the publication (and none were made after these explanations).

It was moved by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown, seconded by Councillor Colleen Feeney and resolved:

That the plans and request submitted to the April 19, 2017 meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee be approved, in accordance with By-Laws 2010-002 and G-18-0005, for the following minor exemptions from section 3.2.2 and paragraph 9 of section 4.1.10 of the Zoning By-Law, regarding the immovable located at 208 Westminster North:

- Allow that the front setback of the main building be 4.42 metres from the property line, while the minimum setback is 4.57 metres in zone RD-1, the consequence being to reduce this requirement by 0.15 metre;

- Allow the 2.16 metres' encroachment of an existing deck in the front setback, despite the fact that such an encroachment is not allowed in zone RD-1, the consequence being to accept that this deck remain at 2.41 metres from the property line instead of 4.57 metres.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-012

**f) Minor exemption request (117 Brock South)**

*NOTE* Councillor Colleen Feeney summarized the issues involved in the following matter. She also noted that it had been advertised in the newspaper. No comments were received since the publication (and none were made after these explanations).

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown and resolved:

That the plans and request submitted to the April 19, 2017 meeting of the Planning Advisory Committee be approved, in accordance with By-Laws 2010-002 and G-18-0005, for the following minor exemption from the first paragraph of section 4.6.3 of the Zoning By-Law, regarding the immovable located at 117 Brock South:

- Allow the construction of a fence up to a height of eleven feet (11') on the rear property line, while the maximum height is of six feet (6'), the consequence being to accept that this requirement be exceeded by five feet (5').

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-013

**g) Programme Rénovation Québec**

This item was withdrawn.

**11. Public Works**

**a) General contractor – Davies Park (phase 2)**

WHEREAS the Town of Montreal West issued a public call for tenders for the purpose of awarding a contract for the second phase of work in Davies Park including the installation of water games;

WHEREAS eight contractors ordered the tender document and three bids were received;

WHEREAS the firm Groupe BC2 analyzed the tenders and evaluated their conformity;

WHEREAS it appears that the lowest bidder's price is more than 10% higher than the cost estimate;

THEREFORE:

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin and resolved:

That the Town of Montreal West reject all the tenders.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-015

**b) General contractor – infrastructure work (Brock North and Ballantyne North)**

WHEREAS the Town of Montreal West issued a public call for tenders for the purpose of awarding a contract for major infrastructure work on Brock North and Ballantyne North between Curzon and Sherbrooke;

WHEREAS nine tender documents were ordered and three tenders were received;

WHEREAS the engineering firm Avizo analyzed the tenders, evaluated their conformity and recommended that the contract be awarded to the lowest conforming bidder;

THEREFORE:

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin and resolved:

- 1) That the contract for road, aqueduct and sewer work on Brock North and Ballantyne North be awarded to the lowest conforming bidder, Construction CJRB Inc., for a price of \$2,652,126.00 (excluding taxes), conditional upon approval of Loan By-Law No. 2017-002 by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy.
- 2) That the Mayor and the Town Clerk be authorized to sign any contract and other documents required to implement this resolution, as the case may be.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-016

**c) Supervision contract – infrastructure work (Brock North and Ballantyne North)**

WHEREAS the Town of Montreal West issued a call for tender by invitation for the purpose of hiring an engineering firm within the scope of its 2017 infrastructure renewal program;

WHEREAS three firms were invited and one of them submitted a service offer which was evaluated by a committee on the qualitative level before its members could take the element of price into consideration;

WHEREAS the said firm was also be evaluated on this element as a result of the process, which was conducted as required by the applicable legislation;

THEREFORE:

It was moved by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin, seconded by Councillor Maria Torres and resolved:

- 1) That the contract for professional services of supervision within the scope of infrastructure work on Brock North and Ballantyne North be awarded to Avizo Experts-Conseils Inc. for a price of \$49,050.00 (excluding taxes), conditional upon approval of Loan By-Law No. 2017-002 by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy.
- 2) That the Mayor and the Town Clerk be authorized to sign any contract and other documents required to implement this resolution, as the case may be.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-017

**d) Laboratory services – qualitative control (Brock North and Ballantyne North)**

WHEREAS the Town of Montreal West issued a call for tender by invitation for the purpose of hiring a laboratory firm within the scope of its 2017 infrastructure renewal program;

WHEREAS three firms were invited and one submitted a service offer which had to be evaluated by a committee on the qualitative level before its members could take the element of price into consideration;

WHEREAS the said firm could also be evaluated on this element as a result of the process, which was conducted as required by the applicable legislation;

THEREFORE:

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin and resolved:

- 1) That the professional services contract for qualitative control of materials within the scope of infrastructure work on Brock North and Ballantyne North be awarded to Englobe Corp., for a price of \$37,478.00 (excluding taxes), conditional upon approval of Loan By-Law No. 2017-002 by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy.
- 2) That the Mayor and the Town Clerk be authorized to sign any contract and other documents required to implement this resolution, as the case may be.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-018

**12. Human Resources**

There was nothing under this item.

**13. Appointments**

**a) Signing officers**

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Maria Torres and resolved:

- 1) That the Mayor, Beny Masella, and the Treasurer, Valentina Maria Todoran, be authorized to sign jointly, for and in the name of the Town of Montreal West, all cheques and other documents in connection with Town monies on deposit with RBC Groupe Financier; and if unable to obtain the Mayor's signature, that the Pro-Mayor be authorized to sign in his stead and, if unable to obtain the Treasurer's signature, that Raffaella Di Stasio, Director General, be authorized to sign in her stead.
- 2) That Valentina Maria Todoran, in her capacity as Treasurer, and Claude Gilbert, in his capacity as Town Clerk, be authorized to sign jointly cheques for employee salaries; and if unable to obtain the Treasurer's or the Town Clerk's signature, that Raffaella Di Stasio, in her capacity as Director General, be authorized to sign.
- 3) That Valentina Maria Todoran, in her capacity as Treasurer, or a representative authorized by her and the Mayor, be authorized to recover from RBC Groupe Financier, on her sole signature, all cancelled cheques and cancelled documents being the property of the Town of Montreal West.
- 4) That Valentina Maria Todoran be authorized, in her capacity as Treasurer, to sign, for the Town of Montreal West, all documents required by or for the Société de l'assurance automobile du Québec in the normal course of operations of the Town; and if unable to obtain the Treasurer's signature, that Claude Gilbert, in his capacity as Town Clerk, be authorized to sign the said documents.
- 5) That resolution #20140630-014 be repealed.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-019

**b) Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Town Clerk**

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin and resolved:

- 1) That Raffaella Di Stasio, Director General, be appointed Assistant Treasurer.
- 2) That Raffaella Di Stasio, Director General, be appointed Assistant Town Clerk.
- 3) That Resolution #20080527-031 be repealed.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-020

**c) Pension Plan Committee**

It was moved by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin, seconded by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown and resolved:

- 1) To appoint the following persons as representatives of the employer on the Pension Plan Committee of the Employees' Pension Plan for the Town of Montreal West:
  - Councillor Colleen Feeney;
  - Ms. Raffaella Di Stasio, Director General;
  - Ms. Valentina Maria Todoran, Treasurer;
  - Mr. Claude Gilbert, Town Clerk.
- 2) To repeal resolution #20140630-015.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-021

**14. Councillors' Reports**

**a) Seat Number 2**

Councillor Elizabeth Ulin reported on matters pertaining to Recreation, Culture and Communications.

**b) Seat Number 3**



Councillor Colleen Feeney reported on matters pertaining to Finance, Administration and Public Security.

c) **Seat Number 4**

Councillor Maria Torres reported on matters pertaining to Public Works and Buildings.

d) **Seat Number 1**

Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown reported on matters pertaining to Urban Planning and Environment.

15. **Deposit of Documents**

a) **Statement of comparative financial results**

A comparative statement of financial results as of April 30, 2017 was tabled with Council.

16. **Notice of Motion, Reading and Adoption of By-Laws**

a) **Adoption of By-Law No. 405-36 – By-Law Amending Traffic By-Law No. 405**

WHEREAS dispensation from reading for this By-Law having been previously requested pursuant to the law, a copy of said By-Law was accordingly made available to Council members, who have taken cognizance of it and waive its reading;

THEREFORE:

It was moved by Councillor Colleen Feeney, seconded by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown and resolved:

That By-Law No. 405-36 entitled “By-Law Amending Traffic By-Law No. 405” be adopted.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-022

b) **Adoption of By-Law No. 2017-005 – By-Law concerning an amendment to Zoning By-Law No. 2010-002 with respect to hardscaping**

WHEREAS dispensation from reading for this By-Law having been previously requested pursuant to the law, a copy of said By-Law was accordingly made available to Council members, who have taken cognizance of it and waive its reading;

THEREFORE:

It was moved by Councillor Julie Tasker-Brown, seconded by Councillor Maria Torres and resolved:

That By-Law No. 2017-005 entitled “By-Law concerning an amendment to Zoning By-Law No. 2010-002 with respect to hardscaping” be adopted.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-023

c) **Notice of Motion and dispensation from reading for a By-Law Amending the Planning Programme enacted by By-Law No. 2009-007 in order to remove lot 1 292 123 from the land-use designation “Low-density residential” to include it into the “Mixed-use” land designation**

Mayor Masella gave notice of motion that it is intended at a subsequent Meeting of Council to submit for adoption a “By-Law Amending the Planning Programme enacted by By-Law No. 2009-007 in order to remove lot 1 292 123 from the land-use designation “Low-density residential” to include it into the “Mixed-use” land designation”.

The said By-Law, in draft version, was tabled with Council and made available to the public.

Mayor Masella requested that the reading of this “By-Law Amending the Planning Programme enacted by By-Law No. 2009-007 in order to remove lot 1 292 123 from the land-use designation “Low-density residential” to include it into the “Mixed-use” land designation” be dispensed with.

17. **Second Public Question Period**

The Mayor announced the beginning of the Second Public Question Period at 10:00 p.m.

Residents were invited to ask the Mayor and Councillors questions concerning the matters on the agenda of this meeting.

Michael Shindler wondered if a contract was awarded to assess the state of infrastructure networks in Montreal West. The Mayor answered this was done and redone over the years. The most recent report dates back to 4 years ago. All the streets are listed in such reports, from the ones in the worst condition to those in better state. To obtain government subsidies, the Town must proceed to repair the worst ones first. However, the list does not work as a plan telling to repair such and such streets in a given order within a specific timeline, it is rather an assessment report giving the Town arguments to support grant applications. Councillor Ulin said the resident's question is a good one but the answer is complex. The rank of a street on such a list will depend on the chosen criteria. For the Government of Quebec, the crucial factor is the condition of underground pipes. The Mayor observed that the rank of a street may change from not too bad to one of the worst over a few years, once a new report is made after a number of water breaks occurred there. So the list keeps changing. The resident asked what percentage of the pipes are made of lead. The Mayor answered it is not so easy to know the overall situation. This being said, Percival is the street that would be repaired in 2018 and in that case, the presence of lead pipes was a factor that made it go to the top of the priority list.

Paul Kenton wanted a clarification about the amount spent on infrastructure in the last four years. Councillor Feeney confirmed it was \$9.9 million on infrastructure and other capital investment. Concerning the infrastructure work planned this summer on Brock and Ballantyne, he thought the project would cost \$8.8 million, but Councillor Feeney said the contractor has been hired for \$2.6 million plus taxes.

**18. Termination of the Meeting**

At 10:15 p.m., no other questions being asked,

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin and resolved:

That the Meeting be terminated.

Carried unanimously  
#20170529-024

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Beny Masella  
Mayor

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Claude Gilbert  
Town Clerk

*The annexes mentioned above are deposited  
in the municipal archives in File Archives-20170529*