

MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 16, 2019
7:30 p.m.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of Montreal West held on December 16, 2019 at the Town Hall located at 50 Westminster Avenue South.

Present: Mr. Beny Masella, Mayor
Mr. Dino Mazzone, Councillor
Ms. Elizabeth Ulin, Councillor
Ms. Colleen Feeney, Councillor
Ms. Maria Torres, Councillor

Also present: Me Claude Gilbert, Town Clerk
Me Raffaele Di Stasio, Director General
Ms. Valentina Maria Todoran, Treasurer

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

Twenty (20) residents and visitors were in attendance.

1. Opening of the Meeting

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

That the Meeting be declared open.

Carried unanimously
20191216-001 (1)

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved by Councillor Dino Mazzone, seconded by Councillor Colleen Feeney and resolved:

To adopt the Agenda of the Special Meeting of Monday, December 16, 2019, as presented.

Carried unanimously
20191216-002 (1)

NOTE A presentation was made by Councillor Colleen Feeney of the Montreal West 2020 budget and of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 Program of Capital Expenditures.

3. Presentation and adoption of the 2020 Budget for the Town of Montreal West

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

1) To adopt the 2020 Budget of the Town of Montreal West, for an amount of \$16,257,652.

2) To deposit a copy of the 2020 Budget in the Town of Montreal West Archives.

Carried unanimously
20191216-003 (1)

4. Presentation and adoption of the 2020–2021–2022 Program of Capital Expenditures

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

1) To adopt the 2020, 2021 and 2022 Program of Capital Expenditures for the Town of Montreal West as follows:

a) For 2020, an amount of ONE million SIX HUNDRED FIFTEEN thousand dollars (\$1,615,000);

b) For 2021, an amount of ONE million THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE thousand dollars (\$1,335,000);

c) For 2022, an amount of ONE million THREE HUNDRED FIFTY thousand dollars (\$1,350,000).

2) To deposit a copy of the program in the Town of Montreal West Archives.

Carried unanimously
20191216-004 (1)

5. Question period

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

The residents were invited to ask their questions to the Mayor and Councillors, solely on matters related to the budget and program of capital expenditures.

Tanya Radhakrishna made a remark about the relative increase of tax revenues expected from residential properties versus non-residential ones. Councillor Feeney made a comparison between the situation in the years 2019 and 2020, notably with respect to the changes entailed by the new real estate assessment roll, and the concern Council had to see that the impact be fair on both categories of owners. The resident also asked for the amount of the public library's grant next year. The Mayor asked her to wait until the regular meeting tonight when a resolution will be adopted to provide for various grants in 2020.

Bob Barnes asked if there is any plan to lower debt. Councillor Feeney said the Town estimates that it will be lower next year. Partial reimbursement through the working fund of the balance on a loan by-law will be on the agenda of the next meeting. This can be only done when such loans come to their expiry date, before refinancing the balance.

Andra Syvanen asked if the tax rates in the by-law which is available to the public are the same as in the budget presentation. Councillor Feener confirmed they are. The Treasurer, Valentina Maria Todoran, added that the amounts to be paid are the basic rate for a given category plus the fee payable for the Montreal Metropolitan Community.

6. Termination of the meeting

At 8:15 p.m., no other questions being asked,

It was moved by Councillor Elizabeth Ulin, seconded by Councillor Dino Mazzone and resolved:

That the Meeting be terminated.

Carried unanimously
20191216-005 (1)

Beny Masella
Mayor

Claude Gilbert
Town Clerk

The annexes mentioned above are deposited
in the municipal archives in File *Archives-20191216 (1)*