

MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 10, 2020
6:30 p.m.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of Montreal West held by telecommunications means on September 10, 2020.

Present:	Mayor:	Mr. Beny Masella	
	Councillors:	Mr. Dino Mazzone	Seat 1
		Ms. Elizabeth Ulin	Seat 2
		Ms. Colleen Feeney	Seat 3
		Ms. Maria Torres	Seat 4

Also present: Me Raffaella Di Stasio, Director General
Me Claude Gilbert, Town Clerk

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

There were no residents and visitors in attendance.

NOTE This Council meeting was held in camera, and was attended by Council members using telecommunications means, as authorized by the Ministerial Order 2020-029 of April 26, 2020 from the Quebec Minister of Health and Social Services (page 2, last paragraph).

1. Opening of the Meeting

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

That the Meeting be declared open.

Carried unanimously
20200910-001

The Chairperson called the Meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Dino Mazzone and resolved:

To adopt the Agenda of the Special Meeting of Thursday, September 10, 2020 modified as follows:

- by adding item 3.1: **Agreement with Energir.**

Carried unanimously
20200910-002

3. Site Planning and Architectural Integration Program (SPAIP)

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

1) To acknowledge receipt of the minutes of a meeting held by the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC) on September 9, 2020.

2) To approve as presented under the SPAIP the following plans submitted to this meeting, in accordance with the recommendations of the PAC as outlined in the minutes:

Address

Project

229 Sheraton Replacement of the front door and side lite and garage door;
4 Parkside Reconstruction of front landing and stairs.

3) To approve with conditions under the SPAIP the following plans submitted to this meeting, in accordance with the recommendations of the PAC as outlined in the minutes:

Address	Project
25 Garden	Replacement of cladding material on the building;
111 Ballantyne N.	Replacement of exterior elements on the main building;
140 Ballantyne N.	Replacement of a french door on the rear façade by a patio door.

4) 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:

Address	Project
74 Easton	Demolition of the back yard mudroom and construction of a larger extension in the back yard, replacement of windows and doors, replacement of cladding material, construction of a deck in the side yard.

Carried unanimously
20200910-003

3.1 Agreement with Energir

WHEREAS the Municipal Powers Act provides that municipalities are managers and owners of the municipal right-of-way;

WHEREAS the Act Respecting the Régie de l'Énergie provides that a natural gas distributor is allowed to access municipal territories in order to roll out and maintain its distribution network;

WHEREAS it is also provided that the installation of such networks is subject to conditions negotiated between the distributor and the municipality or, failing such an agreement, to conditions decided by the Régie de l'Énergie;

WHEREAS the Union des Municipalités du Québec (UMQ) and its members have put much effort to ensure that municipalities may recover the costs they incur as a result of the presence of telecommunications and energy distribution networks;

WHEREAS it is important that every concerned party, be it a municipality, a taxpayer or, in this particular case, the natural gas distributor, support its fair share of the costs entailed by the presence of such networks in the municipal public domain or by their moving at the request of the municipality;

WHEREAS the result of these discussions is that the UMQ and Energir signed a framework agreement, the terms of which may benefit any member municipality if it endorses them by resolution;

WHEREAS one of the major provisions of this agreement is that a municipality would now receive a fee equivalent to 2.5 % of the value of the work done by Energir in its territory;

WHEREAS the agreement also provides for guidelines about the way costs would be shared between a municipality and Energir when the latter is required to move its network because of municipal work, taking into account a depreciation factor;

WHEREAS this framework agreement is effective as of October 1, 2019 until September 30, 2027;

THEREFORE:

It was moved by Councillor Dino Mazzone, seconded by Councillor Maria Torres and resolved:

1) That the Town of Montreal West endorse the terms and conditions of the framework agreement signed on October 29, 2019 by the UMQ and Energir.

2) That the provisions of this agreement supersede the provisions of the Town's by-laws where applicable to the topics addressed in the said agreement, the said by-laws remaining in full force for any topics not addressed.

3) That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the UMQ and Energir.

Carried unanimously
20200910-004

4. Public Question Period

The Public Question Period did not take place, since the meeting was held in camera as authorized by the aforementioned Ministerial Order 2020-029.

5. Termination of the Meeting

At 6:50 p.m., no questions being asked,

It was moved by Councillor Maria Torres, seconded by Councillor Dino Mazzone and resolved:

That the Meeting be terminated.

Carried unanimously
20200910-005

Beny Masella
Mayor

Claude Gilbert
Town Clerk

The annexes mentioned above are deposited
in the municipal archives in File *Archives-20200910*