

MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 18, 2021
6:30 p.m.

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of Montreal West held by telecommunications means on February 18, 2021.

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.
Me 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 mandated by the Ministerial Order 2021-074 of October 2, 2020 from the Quebec Minister of Health and Social Services (page 3, paragraph 14).

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
20210218-001

The Mayor called the Meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

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

To adopt the Agenda of the Special Meeting of Thursday, February 18, 2021 as presented.

Carried unanimously
20210218-002

3. City of Beaconsfield lawsuit against the City of Montreal and the Quebec Government – retaining a lawyer on behalf of the Town of Montreal West and other related municipalities

WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing published in the Gazette officielle du Québec, on December 4, 2020, the *Order concerning rules to establish the fiscal potential of the related municipalities of the urban agglomeration of Montréal for the purposes of apportioning the agglomeration expenditure* (the "Order");

WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing published in the Gazette officielle du Québec, on January 15, 2021, an erratum to specify, in Section 3 of the Order, that the task force shall be composed of City of Montreal and Association of Suburban Municipalities (ASM) representatives in order to review the apportionment terms of aliquot shares, notably the calculation of the fiscal potential or any other sustainable solution, and report on this to the Minister by August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS the related municipalities of the urban agglomeration of Montréal, through the ASM, have assured the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing of their willingness to be involved in the committee as decreed in the Ministerial Order;

WHEREAS the City of Beaconsfield filed an originating notice of motion for judicial review with the Superior Court on January 15, 2021, against Québec's Attorney General and the City of Montréal;

WHEREAS the related municipalities were all named as third parties by the City of Beaconsfield in said motion;

WHEREAS the filing of this motion by the City of Beaconsfield raises considerations for the interests of Montreal West on agglomeration taxation;

WHEREAS the Town of Montreal West intends on exercising its right to full answer and defence, if need be, in this originating notice of motion for judicial review;

WHEREAS the Town of Montreal West has adopted a by-law concerning contract management in accordance with Section 573.3.1.2 of the Cities and Towns Act;

THEREFORE:

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

- 1) That the services of Me Nicolas X. Cloutier of the law firm McCarthy Tétrault S.E.N.C.R.L., s.r.l. be retained to this end.
- 2) That this legal mandate be deemed essential as part of the motion to the Superior Court in which all the related municipalities are named as third parties.
- 3) That an amount not exceeding \$5,000 be approved for all necessary expenses to this end, by each one of the related municipalities.
- 4) That the City of Dorval be appointed as the drop point for the payment of the fees of McCarthy Tétrault S.E.N.C.R.L., s.r.l., by all municipalities involved in this motion.
- 5) That the management of this mandate be delegated to the aliquot share committee of related municipalities, being made of Mr. Vincent Robidas, Executive Director of the ASM, Mr. Martin Bonhomme, Director General of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue, and Ms. Nathalie Rhéaume, Treasurer of the Town of Mount Royal.

Carried unanimously
20210218-003

4. Group purchase of diesel and biodiesel – delegation of powers to the Société de Transport de Montréal (STM)

WHEREAS the Supply Services Department of the City of Montreal has offered the Town of Montreal West to participate in a group call for tenders headed by the STM, for the purpose of awarding a contract for the management and supply of diesel and biodiesel;

WHEREAS the savings that should be made through this approach make it advisable to accept the proposal;

THEREFORE:

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

- 1) That the Town of Montreal West confirm its participation in a group call for tenders headed by the STM for the management and supply of diesel and biodiesel, as proposed by the City of Montreal.
- 2) That the Town of Montreal West agree to delegate its competence to the City of Montreal for the purpose of a three-year contract with two annual renewal options.

Carried unanimously
20210218-004

5. 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 2020-074.

6. Termination of the Meeting

At 7:00 p.m., no questions being asked,

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

That the Meeting be terminated.

Carried unanimously
20210218-005

Beny Masella
Mayor

Claude Gilbert
Town Clerk

The annexes mentioned above are deposited
in the municipal archives in File *Archives-20210218*