



Minutes of the **Sustainable Land Development Commission** meeting held on June 23, 2022 by video conference, with Mr. Conrad Peart presiding.

WERE PRESENT	
Permanent members of Council	Invited Councillors by project and district
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ms. Christina M. Smith, Mayor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D'Amico, Antonio, Councillor District 1
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Peart, Conrad, Councillor District 4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roux, Élisabeth, Councillor District 2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bostock, Anitra, Councillor District 5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shamie, Jeff, Councillor District 3
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aronson, Matthew-Emile Councillor District 7	<input type="checkbox"/> Gallery, Mary, Councillor District 6
	<input type="checkbox"/> Kez, Kathleen, Councillor District 8
Permanent Members of the Administration	Optional Guests from the Administration
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Larue, Michel, AGA	<input type="checkbox"/> Hakim, Hadi, DG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Raveendra, Sanjula, Engineering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandeville, Julie, ADG
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gagné, Michel, Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> Lapointe, Dave, S&Rec
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Neault, Frédéric, UP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> McBain, Gregory, PS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bouziane, Salah, HW	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jacob, Denis, PW	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dicaire, Martin, PW	
<input type="checkbox"/> Samuel, Sébastien, COM	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Simard, Élisabeth, COM	

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OPENING OF THE MEETING

The Chairperson of the Commission called the meeting to order.

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READING AND ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as submitted.

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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON XXXX

No approval, first official meeting.

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PRESENTATION OF THE FILES

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LEXINGTON

The Commission members were informed of the removal of 3 projections at the corner of Lexington and Devon. A proposed schedule for the implementation of the modifications at the request of Council was presented to the Commission by our engineer:

- Redesign of the construction drawings – June 15th
- Receive conformity report from traffic firm – July 4th
- Presentation of changes to General Committee – July 18th
- Redesign of Hydro Westmount civil work – July 29th
- Send new Road design and Electrical plans to the contractor – August 1st

MOUNT-PLEASANT

Commission members were informed of the safety issues surrounding the installation of a sidewalk on the west side of Mount Pleasant and of a report commissioned by the citizens of the area from Ms. Julia Gersovitz "Report on Proposed Modifications to Mount Pleasant Avenue, Westmount June 9 2022 – EVOQ."

It is proposed to the members of the Commission to simply install a granite curb cut on the west side in order to maintain the identity of the site.

It is further considered:

- That a sidewalk exists on the east side;
- That a pedestrian crossing is necessary for active movement from the west to the east and that a specialized firm will propose the best possible location for this purpose;
- That the existing sidewalk to the north and south end of the west side of Mount Pleasant could be removed;
- That the feasibility of burying the utility network should be studied and that residents should be informed of the issues and impacts on properties and taxation. Furthermore, the process of analyzing the burial of the network would have the effect of postponing the work to 2025-2026;
- That the possibility of installing electric vehicle charging stations on Mount Pleasant adjacent to green spaces should be studied if needed in the future.

The Commission recommends the concept presented to Council and invites the administration to present the desired project development direction at a future General Committee meeting.

The Commission recommends to Council that a communication plan as well as a meeting with the citizens of the area be conducted in mid to late August to inform them of the proposed concept.

MEMORIAL GARDEN

The members of the commission took note of the schedule proposed by the Technical Agent in horticulture and arboriculture.



TRAFFIC CALMING ON THE BOULEVARD

The members of the Commission took note of a proposal from the Traffic and Parking Technician and recommended that the Council accept the proposed plan, depending on the availability of equipment. The members were informed that the speed count has not yet been done.

NEW BUSINESS

No points were raised.

SWINGS AT HALLOWELL PARK

The Deputy Director, Publics Works informed the members of the Commission that following an inspection report dated April 2022, the swing structure of the WAG had to be taken out of service. The outputs of this report will be used as a basis for a long term planning considering the life span of the equipment in order to carry out a replacement program before the furniture is in a state of obsolescence and condemned in reactive mode. We find it unfortunate that users were not informed in time and that they had to realize the closure of the game only once they were on site. It was asked that the public be informed when such situations occur.

SUMMIT LOOKOUT

The schedule is on track and the installation of the structural reinforcement will be completed by July 22. After the construction holiday, we will correct the deficiencies and do the final acceptance.

The architectural design of the lookout, including the railing, will be considered and completed in a later phase.

NOISE BARRIER BETWEEN ATWATER AND GREENE

We have received the preliminary design report from AECOM. The report includes two options:

Option no.1: Precast concrete panels (includes: land acquisition cost, professional fees, annual maintenance costs and the work)

Option no.2: Limestone and clay brick masonry cladding (includes land acquisition, professional fees, annual maintenance costs and work)

The project is currently on hold. Both options need to be discussed and analyzed internally.

ENGINEERING ISSUES

More than 40% of the infrastructure engineering team is absent (sick leave, paternity leave, family). We had analyzed the option of subcontracting the plans and specifications through a consulting engineering firm for a few projects. However, most firms will not be able to deliver engineering drawings to us until August/September, which will be too late to execute the work in 2022. In addition, HW has notified us that the streetlight timelines have increased significantly - 20 weeks. As a result, we have postponed some road projects for next year:

- Olivier (between Ste. Catherine and De Maisonneuve) - sidewalk reconstruction and sidewalks and asphalt paving
- Lewis - Water services and sidewalk reconstruction and asphalt paving
- Ste-Catherine: Water Line Rehabilitation

- Project deferred by the City of MTL:

Sewer Line Reconstruction: Greene (St. Antoine to Dorchester) Project deferred to 2024

- Replacement projects to be completed in 2022:

- Restoration of the King George Park pond (possible)
- Restoration of the retaining wall in King George Park
- Sydenham Avenue - water main rehabilitation

The members of the commission took note of the proposed PTI forms to be completed by the various city departments concerned.

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DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next commission meeting will be held on August 11, 2022 via video conference.

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ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57

Secretary



Catherine Skinner

President



Councillor Conrad Peart

Vice-President

Matt Aronson

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