

Minutes of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Municipal Council meeting, held at City Hall, 303 Beaconsfield Boulevard, Beaconsfield, Québec, on Monday, May 25, 2020, at 8:00 p.m.

Due to the current situation regarding COVID-19, the Provincial Government adopted a directive on March 15, 2020, allowing Council meetings to be held in closed session and allowing their members to take part, deliberate and vote at a meeting by any means of communication. This meeting can be viewed by live and differed webcast.

### **WERE PRESENT:**

All members of Council are present as follows:

- His Honour the Mayor Georges Bourelle is present in person.
- Councillors Dominique Godin, Karen Messier, Robert Mercuri, David Newell, Roger Moss and Al Gardner are present by phone and acknowledged it verbally.

### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Patrice Boileau, Director General, Nathalie Libersan-Laniel, City Clerk and Director of Public Affairs both present in person.

## 1. OPENING OF MEETING

His Honour the Mayor calls the meeting to order.

#### AGENDA

2.1 Adoption of the agenda of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of May 25, 2020

## 2020-05-137

It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor Karen Messier and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to adopt the agenda of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of May 25, 2020, as presented.

## PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

His Honour the Mayor makes a statement regarding COVID-19.

(integral bilingual version)

Bonsoir Madame, Monsieur, Good evening Ladies and Gentlemen,

Pour le troisième mois consécutif, l'assemblée du Conseil municipal est tenue de manière virtuelle dans le contexte de la pandémie mondiale du coronavirus de la COVID-19.

Dans le respect des directives de la Santé publique, nous avons limité le nombre de personnes présentes ici ce soir. On retrouve le directeur général de la Ville, Patrice Boileau, la greffière, Me Nathalie Libersan-Laniel, et moi-même.

Les six conseillères et conseillers sont présents par vidéoconférence. Nous avons reçu vos questions par courriel et nous y répondrons à la période de questions.

Although the coronavirus is still present, the Government of Québec has given the green light for a progressive deconfinement and a gradual opening of businesses and activities. Public health authorities urge us to stay disciplined and to respect a physical distance of 2 metres, to wear a mouth and nose cover — as you can see, I have my mask with me — and to wash hands regularly for 20 seconds.



The current situation is difficult for each and every one of us. This being said, it must be acknowledged, to my great delight, that the residents of Beaconsfield demonstrate a resilience, determination and discipline that we can be proud of in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic!

For almost three months now, our compliance with the measures regarding confinement, social distancing and hand hygiene has ensured that we present one of the best – if not the best – health record of all municipalities on the island of Montreal in relation with the COVID-19 contagion.

Such civic and social, disciplined and respectful awareness saves lives. A heartfelt Thank you to all of you! I am also very grateful for the support that you have shown towards our seniors. Your implication, help, small daily actions, and courtesy calls are precious and appreciated. Our solidarity and mutual support are proof of our community's generosity, awareness and tolerance. This is a big credit to Beaconsfield.

Je vous invite aussi à suivre la nouvelle directive des autorités sanitaires de porter un masque quand vous sortez de chez vous si vous pensez ne pas pouvoir respecter la distanciation physique de deux mètres. Toutes ces mesures, si nous les appliquons avec rigueur, sauvent des vies. C'est important.

Je suis tout aussi fier de la gestion que nous faisons des finances de la Ville et de la performance exceptionnelle de notre équipe d'employés face aux défis posés par la pandémie. Nous avons revu en un temps record la façon de rendre les services tout en les maintenant à niveau en plus d'appliquer les meilleures règles sanitaires ainsi que de sécurité pour le personnel et la population.

Our financial situation is just as strong. During my seven years as your mayor, Council and City management have administered finances and services so as to limit costs and maximize services while monitoring taxation in order to preserve your ability to pay.

However, we find that the financial structure of the Montreal agglomeration has been penalizing us for years. Due to the cost-sharing and taxation formulas, we receive less services while paying more than our share. And as if all this was not enough, we also have no influence on the decisions in terms of the budget and the regional services that we share.

Against the background of the pandemic, this negative distortion is further increased. The sanitary emergency has largely decreased the usage of public transit services without reducing the operating costs. An important deficit is already anticipated for the Société de transport de Montréal. Here too, we will have to pay more than our share, even though we do not benefit much from the metro and bus service.

The same applies to the application of emergency measures related to the pandemic. The costs will be very high, and we will have to shoulder a significant part. In fact, Council has adopted, as have other linked municipalities, a resolution denouncing the limited presence of police officers on our territory. Due to the Agglomeration's administrative structure, we are paying more than our share while receiving less regional services.

For this reason, and for the first time, we have decided this year to pay our proportionate share to the Agglomeration under protest. The supporting evidence proves that we are financially penalized by how the Agglomeration costs, revenues and services are allocated. Given that we also have no decisional power or even influence, this situation is all the more unacceptable in a democratic society.



It is a complex issue, but we are determined to press for restoring the fairness and the democratic representation to which we are entitled.

Entre-temps, continuons tous à faire en sorte que notre solidarité sociale, notre respect des règles sanitaires, notre tolérance face aux autres et notre générosité pour aider ceux et celles dans le besoin nous aident à passer à travers les prochains mois de manière sereine et heureuse, malgré le contexte de la pandémie.

Finalement, je souhaite remercier le premier ministre du Québec, Monsieur François Legault, ainsi que la ministre des Affaires municipales, Madame Andrée Laforest, pour le don de 5 000 masques qui seront surtout offerts à nos aînés en résidence ou non.

Bon été à tous et à toutes. Merci et bonne assemblée. Have a great summer, and thank you for tuning in!

The City Clerk announces the beginning of the public question period. Questions from the public for the meeting needed to be sent by email to greffe-registry@beaconsfield.ca, before noon, on Monday, May 25, 2020.

A resident asks how many employees were temporarily furloughed in the last three months and for how many days. He also asks what other temporary cost control measures have been taken by the City and if the Council is making sure that taxes are being spent wisely and if citizens are receiving full value for the taxes spent by the City and the Agglomeration.

Another resident asks if the City's finances have been affected and if the City needs emergency funding. He also mentions that the minutes of the April meeting have not been published on the City's website.

His Honour the Mayor indicates that the minutes will be published after their adoption tonight. He combines the other financial questions and indicates that the City has laid off a certain number of employees. Mr. Patrice Boileau indicates that the City laid off its occasional temporary employees - approximately 65 of them. Since then, three blue collars have been hired back. When recreation and library activities restart, some employees may be re-hired. As for the financial situation in Beaconsfield, the City has generated healthy surpluses since 2015. One of the reasons is that the City received more ("welcome tax") than budgeted. The second reason is that the administration has a rigorous administration of its budget. The City has more reserves and surpluses than net debt. The City is in a very good financial position. His Honour the Mayor indicates that although this year may present some difficulties, tax revenues are guaranteed to the City. The City has also reduced its budgeted amount by \$600,000 and some of its revenues. In terms of expenditures, the City has decreased close to \$1M in expenses. With all of these considerations, the City will have a balanced operating budget for 2020.

As for the Agglomeration budget, there will be substantial expenses because of COVID-19. Unfortunately, the City has no control or say in these matters. His Honour the Mayor recommends that these concerns should be addressed to the Agglomeration and to the provincial government.

A question is asked regarding item 40.2 – Draft By-law BEAC-099-3; why are these modifications being made and are they connected to litigation between the City and a resident represented by Me Goldwater.

His Honour the Mayor indicates that this by-law is being updated in accordance with the new provincial regulations on dangerous dogs. As for the case regarding Me Goldwater, this is not a case involving a Beaconsfield resident.

A resident asks a question regarding the Adamus Project. He indicates that the site is unsightly. He would also like to know when the construction will restart and be completed and if the original builder has declared bankruptcy.



Mr. Patrice Boileau indicates that our Urban Planning and Municipal Patrol department has worked with the builder to clean up the site. Construction may resume this summer. We have not heard about any bankruptcy. It will take a few years before it is completed. As any new redevelopment, it does take some time and the City hopes that this project is completed sooner rather than later.

A question is asked regarding the possibility of passing a resolution asking the Agglomeration to defund Vélo-Québec until their participants are invited to raise fund for hospitals, medical research, the homeless and other worthy causes.

His Honour the Mayor congratulates the individual asking this question on his commitment to raise funds for cancer research, children and other causes. His Honour the Mayor indicates that this question is specifically regarding the "Tour de l'Île" activity organized by Vélo-Québec which was originally created to encourage adults and children to partake in exercise. The participation of children in the "Tour de l'Île" is free of charge. Moreover, the City does not determine the mission of non-profit organizations such as Vélo-Québec. He observes that several participants of the "Tour de l'Île" also raise funds for charitable organizations which are important to them. The Mayor invites the individual asking this question to make his representations to Vélo-Québec. Finally, he indicates that the City's decision regarding the adoption of a resolution has been communicated on a number of occasions.

The question period ends at 8:33 p.m.

#### 10. MINUTES

10.1 Adoption of the minutes of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of April 20, 2020

2020-05-138 It is moved by Councillor Karen Messier, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of April 20, 2020, at 8:00 p.m.

## 20. CONTRACTS

20.1 Awarding of contract 542-20-GC for the Shannon Park rehabilitation work to the lowest conforming bidder, Urbex Construction Inc., in the amount of \$627,624.84, all taxes included

2020-05-139 It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor Al Gardner and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to award contract 542-20-GC for the Shannon Park rehabilitation work to the lowest conforming bidder, Urbex Construction Inc., in the amount of \$627,624.84, all taxes included; and

To authorize the Finance and Treasury Department to charge the expense to budget code 22-722-00-711. To provide for the payment of this expenditure, Council transfers the necessary funds from its parks funds.

Awarding of contract 555-20-GC for the ditch rehabilitation project to the lowest conforming bidder, Les Entreprises J. Piccioni Inc., in the amount of \$473,335.92, all taxes included

2020-05-140 It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to award contract 555-20-GC for the ditch rehabilitation project to the lowest conforming bidder, Les Entreprises J. Piccioni Inc., in the amount of \$473,335.92, all taxes included; and



To authorize the Finance and Treasury Department to charge the expense to budget code 22-415-00-711. As provided for in the current fiscal year budget, this expense will be financed by tax revenues.

Awarding of contract 563-20-GC for the street pavement crack filling project to the lowest conforming bidder, Environnement Routier NRJ Inc., in the amount of \$6,881.25, all taxes included

2020-05-141 It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Karen Messier and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to award contract 563-20-GC for the street pavement crack filling project to the lowest conforming bidder, Environnement Routier NRJ Inc., in the amount of \$6,881.25, all taxes included; and

To authorize the Finance and Treasury Department to charge the expense to budget code 02-321-00-545.

Awarding of contract 560-20-GC for Prairie Park landscaping work to the lowest conforming bidder, Les Entreprises J. Piccioni Inc., in the amount of \$303,524.99, all taxes included

2020-05-142 It is moved by Councillor Karen Messier, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to award contract 560-20-GC for Prairie Park landscaping work to the lowest conforming bidder, Les Entreprises J. Piccioni Inc., in the amount of \$303,524.99, all taxes included; and

To authorize the Finance and Treasury Department to charge the expense to budget code 22-722-00-711. To provide for the payment of this expenditure, Council transfers the necessary funds from its parks funds.

20.5 Approval of the renewal of the lease agreement with Beaconsfield Creative Preschool to use Windermere Chalet for the school year 2020-2021

2020-05-143 It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the renewal of the lease agreement with Beaconsfield Creative Preschool for the purpose of operating a preschool at Windermere Chalet from September 2020 to June 2021, as per proposed lease agreement; and

THAT the Director of Culture and Leisure be authorized to sign on behalf of the City.

## 30. FINANCE AND TREASURY

30.1 Approval of the list of accounts payable as of May 25, 2020, and of the list of pre-authorized payments for the period of April 9, 2020, to April 19, 2020, and for the period of April 21, 2020, to May 14, 2020, for a total disbursement of \$1,645,266.13

2020-05-144 CONSIDERING the lists submitted by the Treasurer regarding the payment of expenses for financial and investment activities;

It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED:

To approve the list of accounts payable as of May 25, 2020, regarding expenses for financial and investment activities totalling \$211,039.52; and

To approve the list of pre-authorized payments from April 9, 2020, to April 19, 2020, and for the period of April 21, 2020, to May 14, 2020, totalling \$963,085.99 and electronic payments, for the same period, of salaries paid to municipal employees and bank fees, totalling \$471,140.62; and



That all these disbursements totalling \$1,645,266.13 be drawn from the City's bank account at Royal Bank of Canada, Beaconsfield branch.

30.2 Deposit by the Treasurer of the Financial Statement as of December 31, 2019

2020-05-145 Council takes note of the tabling, by the Treasurer, of the Financial Statement for the year ending December 31, 2019.

#### 40. BY-LAWS

40.1 Filing and notice of motion of Draft By-law BEAC-045-9 entitled "By-law modifying By-law BEAC-045 concerning permits and certificates in order to modify the fines for tree felling"

2020-05-146 Councillor David Newell files Draft By-law BEAC-045-9 entitled "By-law modifying By-law BEAC-045 concerning permits and certificates in order to modify the fines for tree felling" and gives notice of motion of intent to submit for adoption at a subsequent meeting of Council, said draft, in compliance with the *Cities and Towns Act*.

Filing and notice of motion of Draft By-law BEAC-099-3 entitled "By-law modifying By-law BEAC-099 concerning animal welfare in order to make certain modifications and to integrate the provisions of the Regulation respecting the application of the Act to promote the protection of persons by establishing a framework with regard to dogs"

2020-05-147 Councillor Karen Messier files Draft By-law BEAC-099-3 entitled "By-law modifying By-law BEAC-099 concerning animal welfare in order to make certain modifications and to integrate the provisions of the Regulation respecting the application of the Act to promote the protection of persons by establishing a framework with regard to dogs" and gives notice of motion of intent to submit for adoption at a subsequent meeting of Council, said draft, in compliance with the *Cities and Towns Act*.

40.3 Filing and notice of motion of Draft By-law BEAC 131-1 entitled "By-law modifying By-law BEAC-131 on tariffs"

2020-05-148 Councillor Roger Moss files Draft By-law BEAC 131-1 entitled "By-law modifying By-law BEAC-131 on tariffs" and gives notice of motion of intent to submit for adoption at a subsequent meeting of Council, said draft, in compliance with the *Cities and Towns Act*.

40.4 Presentation, notice of motion and adoption of Draft By-law 720-117 entitled "By-law modifying Zoning By-law 720 in order to harmonize the fines for tree felling" and submission of the draft by-law to a written consultation of 15 days

2020-05-149 WHEREAS the draft by-law is filed and a notice of motion is given by Councillor Al Gardner for Draft By-law 720-117 entitled "By-law modifying Zoning By-law 720 in order to harmonize the fines for tree felling" in compliance with the Cities and Towns Act and the Act respecting land use planning and development;

WHEREAS Ministerial Order 2020-033 concerning the ordering of measures to protect the health of the population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation provides that every referendum procedure be suspended unless the Council decides otherwise;

WHEREAS in accordance with the Ministerial Order 2020-033 concerning the ordering of measures to protect the health of the population amid the COVID-19 pandemic situation, this draft by-law will be subject to a written consultation of 15 days;



It is moved by Councillor Al Gardner, seconded by Councillor Karen Messier and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to begin the process of adopting Draft By-law 720-117 as permitted by Ministerial Order 2020-033;

To adopt, as submitted, the Draft By-law 720-117 entitled "By-law modifying Zoning By-law 720 in order to harmonize the fines for tree felling" and to submit the Draft By-law to a written consultation of 15 days, in compliance with the *Act respecting land use planning and development* and Ministerial Order 2020-033.

40.5 Deferral of the application of By-law BEAC-129 entitled "By-law prohibiting the distribution of certain plastic shopping bags in retail stores"

2020-05-150 CONSIDERING the events surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic;

CONSIDERING that certain banners are no longer accepting reusable bags in their stores;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and RESOLVED to defer the application date of By-law BEAC-129 entitled "By-law prohibiting the distribution of certain plastic shopping bags in retail stores" until January 1, 2021.

#### **VOTES IN FAVOUR:**

Councillors Dominique Godin, Robert Mercuri, David Newell, Roger Moss, Al Gardner

## **VOTE OPPOSED:**

Councillor Karen Messier

## THE MOTION IS CARRIED.

45. URBAN PLANNING

45.1 Request to modify the already approved plans at 50 Raspberry

2020-05-151 CONSIDERING THAT on October 22, 2019, Council adopted resolution 2019-10-390 approving the plans and authorizing the issuance of a permit at 50 Raspberry;

CONSIDERING THAT a request has been filed in order to approve new plans;

CONSIDERING THAT this modification application must respect the applicable objectives and criteria included in By-law BEAC-098 on Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes;

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents accompanying the permit application at the April 29, 2020, meeting and is of the opinion that the applicable objectives and criteria are respected;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the application to modify the already approved plans at 50 Raspberry;

It is moved by Councillor Al Gardner, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the application to modify the already approved plans at 50 Raspberry.

45.2 Request to modify the already approved plans at 134 Rowan

2020-05-152 CONSIDERING THAT on January 27, 2020, Council adopted resolution 2020-01-028 approving the plans and authorizing the issuance of a permit at 134 Rowan;



CONSIDERING THAT a request has been filed in order to approve new plans;

CONSIDERING THAT this modification application must respect the applicable objectives and criteria included in By-law BEAC-098 on Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes;

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents accompanying the permit application at the April 1, 2020, meeting and is of the opinion that the applicable objectives and criteria are respected;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the application to modify the already approved plans at 134 Rowan;

It is moved by Councillor Al Gardner, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the application to modify the already approved plans at 134 Rowan.

45.3 Request for a permit for the extension of the main building located at 41 Lakeshore

2020-05-153 CONSIDERING THAT a permit application was filed for the extension of a main building located at 41 Lakeshore;

CONSIDERING THAT By-law BEAC-098 regarding Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes indicates objectives and criteria to fulfill for this type of permit application;

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents accompanying the permit application at the April 29, 2020, meeting and is of the opinion that the applicable objectives and criteria are respected;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the issuance of a building permit for the extension of the main building located at 41 Lakeshore;

It is moved by Councillor Al Gardner, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the issuance of a building permit for the extension of the main building located at 41 Lakeshore.

45.4 Request for a permit for the extension of the main building located at 125 Regent

2020-05-154 CONSIDERING THAT a permit application was filed for the extension of a main building located at 125 Regent;

CONSIDERING THAT By-law BEAC-098 regarding Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes indicates objectives and criteria to fulfill for this type of permit application;

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents accompanying the permit application at the April 29, 2020, meeting and is of the opinion that the applicable objectives and criteria are respected;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the issuance of a building permit for the extension of the main building located at 125 Regent;

It is moved by Councillor Al Gardner, seconded by Councillor Karen Messier and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the issuance of a building permit for the extension of the main building located at 125 Regent.



45.5

Request for a permit for the construction of a main building located at 180 Acres

In accordance with By-law BEAC 001 entitled "By-law on the rules of conduct and on the regular meetings of the Municipal Council" and referring to the internal governing rules of the Planning Advisory Committee (PAC), Councillor Gardner, Chairperson of the PAC, indicates that as the property in question is in close proximity to his residence and that there is a potential for a perceived conflict of interest, he has refrained from taking part in the debate and from voting, or attempting to influence the vote on the matter throughout its approval process and will abstain from voting on this item this evening.

2020-05-155 CONSIDERING THAT a permit application was filed for the construction of a main building located at 180 Acres;

CONSIDERING THAT By-law BEAC-098 regarding Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes indicates objectives and criteria to fulfill for this type of permit application;

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents submitted with the permit application at the April 29, 2020, meeting and is of the opinion that (1) the objective to propose a building with harmonious shapes and volumes is not respected because the criterion on mitigation of the difference in height, volume and number of stories with neighbouring buildings through the architectural treatment is not fulfilled and (2) the objective to propose sustainable, quality architecture is not respected because the criteria on the harmony of all the visible walls from one or more streets, the basement windows not visible from the street and the exterior cladding materials and architectural components matching together, in form, texture and colour are not fulfilled;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to REFUSE the issuance of a permit for the construction of a main building located at 180 Acres:

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Karen Messier and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to REFUSE the issuance of a permit for the construction of a main building located at 180 Acres

## **VOTES IN FAVOUR:**

Councillors Dominique Godin, Karen Messier, Robert Mercuri, David Newell, Roger Moss

# VOTES OPPOSED:

None

# **ABSTENTION:**

Councillor Al Gardner

THE MOTION IS CARRIED. THE REQUEST FOR A PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A MAIN BUILDING LOCATED AT 180 ACRES IS REFUSED.

45.6 Request for the issuance of a certificate of authorization for the installation of a sign for the business located at 448 Beaconsfield

2020-05-156 CONSIDERING THAT a certificate of authorization application was filed for the installation of a sign at 448 Beaconsfield;

CONSIDERING THAT By-law BEAC-098 regarding Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes indicates objectives and criteria to fulfill for this type of permit application;

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents accompanying the permit application at the April 29, 2020, meeting and is of the opinion that the applicable objectives and criteria are respected;



CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the issuance of a certificate of authorization for the installation of a sign at 448 Beaconsfield;

It is moved by Councillor Al Gardner, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the issuance of a certificate of authorization for the installation of a sign at 448 Beaconsfield.

### 50. HUMAN RESOURCES

Nomination in view of permanency as Agente aux communications et aux médias sociaux to position 4103

2020-05-157 It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the nomination in view of permanency of Sarah Fournier to position 4103, as Agente aux communications et aux médias sociaux, be approved as of June 1, 2020;

THAT this nomination be subjected to a probation period of six (6) months as stipulated in paragraph 2.01b) of the White Collar Collective Agreement;

THAT her salary be established at the minimum level of salary group 7 of the White Collar Collective Agreement; and

THAT her seniority be recognized as of June 1, 2020.

Nomination in view of permanency as Assistante-Trésorière to position 2100

2020-05-158 It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Al Gardner and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the nomination in view of permanency of Ms. Julie Robinson as Assistante-Trésorière, be approved as of June 8, 2020;

THAT her salary be established at level 4 of group 8 of the management salary scale;

THAT her promotion be subjected to an evaluation period of twelve (12) months as per the City's management employees working conditions.

Modification of the organizational structure of the Finance and treasury department and deposit of the organizational chart

2020-05-159 Considering the retirement of the Assistant-Treasurer and the hire of its replacement;

It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the City reviews the structure of the Finance and Treasury Department in order to optimize the role of the Assistant-Treasurer and the efficiency of the department and that the salary scale of the Assistant-Treasurer position be consequently adjusted to compensation group 8.

50.4 One (1) day unpaid suspension of a blue collar employee

2020-05-160 It is moved by Councillor Karen Messier, seconded by Councillor Al Gardner and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that a suspension without pay of one (1) day be imposed upon employee number 75120399.

50.5 Two-day (2) unpaid suspension of a blue collar employee

2020-05-161 It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that a suspension without pay of two (2) days be imposed upon employee number 75120399.



### 53. COMMITTEES

53.1 Minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of April 29, 2020

2020-05-162 It is moved by Councillor Al Gardner, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Council take act of the minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of April 29, 2020.

53.2 Minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting of May 1, 2020

2020-05-163 It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Al Gardner and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Traffic Advisory Committee meeting of May 1, 2020.

60. GENERAL

60.1 COVID-19 - Virtual organization of Heritage Days and activities bringing citizens together

2020-05-164 CONSIDERING the evolution of the situation of COVID-19 in Québec and the need to respect the directives of the Government of Québec, namely the physical distance measure of two metres for an extended period;

CONSIDERING that events for the general public and large crowds bring together a lot of people and make it impossible to comply with the health rules in force:

CONSIDERING that the Government of Québec requests the cancellation of all festivals and public sporting and cultural events until August 31 in order to ensure compliance with the physical distance measures of two metres;

WHEREAS the festivities traditionally organized by the City for Heritage Days and other gathering activities do not allow them to take place in accordance with government directives;

It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that due to the COVID-19 situation, the City of Beaconsfield virtually organizes Heritage Days and activities bringing citizens together.

60.2 COVID-19 - Resolution to obtain a fair deployment of the Agglomeration services, including the police services, to ensure the safety of Beaconsfield residents during a public health emergency

2020-05-165 WHEREAS the City of Beaconsfield is one of the 16 related cities of the Montréal Agglomeration in accordance with Decree 968-2005 ordered by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on October 19, 2005;

WHEREAS the City of Beaconsfield is a city reconstituted since January 1, 2006, in accordance with the above-mentioned decree;

WHEREAS the Act respecting the exercise of certain municipal powers in certain urban agglomerations gives the Montréal Agglomeration powers relating to common services affecting the entire population of the agglomeration;

WHEREAS structurally, the City of Montréal on a permanent basis has the majority of the Council votes, since it represents 87% of the population of the agglomeration;

WHEREAS the Service de police de la Ville de Montréal (SPVM) is an agglomeration responsibility that falls under the Montréal Agglomeration Council;



WHEREAS each of the related cities pay a share for urban agglomeration services;

WHEREAS the general quote-part of the demerged cities amounts to nearly \$375 million for the year 2020 and that the distribution for the SPVM represents 32.39% of this quote-part, that is to say the sum of nearly \$121.5 million;

WHEREAS the general quote-part of the City of Beaconsfield amounts for the year 2020 to approximately \$20.3 million and that, of this amount, \$6.6 million is assigned to the Service de police de la Ville de Montréal;

WHEREAS the spread of the COVID-19 global pandemic affects the Province of Québec and particularly the Island of Montréal;

WHEREAS the Government of Québec declared a public health emergency on all the Québec territory on March 13, 2020 (Decree number 177-2020) and that since, it has been renewed punctually and is still in force;

WHEREAS the Government of Québec and the Direction de la santé publique impose strict social distancing measures to fight against the COVID-19 epidemic;

WHEREAS the Municipal Patrol of the City of Beaconsfield does not have the necessary authority to enforce the social distancing guidelines imposed by the Direction de la santé publique;

WHEREAS the City of Beaconsfield has implemented a series of measures aimed at limiting gatherings in its urban space in addition to deploying an awareness campaign with its citizens and visitors;

WHEREAS the prevention and awareness measures put in place by the City of Beaconsfield are not enough to enforce health measures to control the spread of COVID-19 and, therefore, to ensure the health and safety of its citizens;

WHEREAS the City of Beaconsfield has informed Neighborhood Station 1 (PDQ-1) that social distancing measures have not been respected since mid-March by pedestrians and cyclists particularly during weekends on Lakeshore Road;

WHEREAS the same situation of non-compliance with social distancing measures is observed in the cities of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue, Pointe-Claire and Dorval (along Sainte-Anne and Bord-du-Lac streets) served by PDQ-1 in the case of the City of Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue and by the PDQ-5 in the case of the City of Pointe-Claire and the City of Dorval;

WHEREAS according to information obtained from the various municipal authorities of the City of Montréal, the police force is mainly deployed in the City of Montréal and its boroughs (parc Lafontaine, parc du Mont-Royal, parc Jean-Drapeau) and are not, thus, available to enforce the social distancing guidelines imposed by the Direction de la santé publique elsewhere in the territory;

WHEREAS for many years, the demerged cities, including the City of Beaconsfield, state that they do not obtain the same level of service for their citizens with regard to services within the agglomeration, as the City of Montréal and its boroughs;

WHEREAS the City of Beaconsfield does not question the quality of the service offered by the SPVM and particularly that of the PDQ1, which works as best as possible with the resources allocated by the City of Montréal, but that the City of Beaconsfield judges that the administration and governance of the Agglomeration result in unfair and unfair treatment for its citizens;



WHEREAS the citizens of Beaconsfield are not second-class citizens and that they have the same rights as all the citizens of the Montréal Agglomeration and the Province of Québec with regard to their health and safety and that, in the context of a health crisis, citizens of the West Island are entitled to the same level of service as citizens of the City of Montréal and its boroughs;

WHEREAS the citizens of the related cities paid proportionately 62% more per capita than the citizens of the City of Montréal and its boroughs for agglomeration services and for a level of service lower than that of the citizens of the City of Montréal and its boroughs;

WHEREAS on a number of occasions, the City of Montréal has refused to negotiate with the demerged cities for an equitable sharing of the quotes-parts.

### CONSEQUENTLY:

It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the City of Beaconsfield requests the Montréal Agglomeration Council to put an end to the double standard that exists between the level of agglomeration services, in particular those provided by the SPVM, to the citizens of the City of Montréal and its boroughs and those offered to the citizens of the demerged cities and that ceases this inequity which has persisted since 2006;

THAT the SPVM review its deployment plan for police forces and permanently provide the same level of service to the citizens of the City of Beaconsfield and to the citizens of the City of Montréal and its boroughs;

THAT, during this period of global pandemic, the SPVM provide the level of service that the citizens of the City of Beaconsfield are entitled to obtain, taking into account that the City of Beaconsfield pays annually its quote-part for agglomeration services;

THAT the SPVM apply social distancing measures in the same manner on the territory of the City of Beaconsfield as on the territory of the City of Montréal and its boroughs;

THAT this resolution be sent to Ms. Andrée Laforest, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to Ms. Chantal Rouleau, Minister responsible for the Metropolis and the Montréal region, to Mr. Gregory Kelley, Member of Parliament for Jacques-Cartier, as well as to the mayors of the related cities of the Montréal Agglomeration.

Opinion of the City of Beaconsfield on the Commission scolaire Lester B. Pearson draft for consultation on the three-year Plan (2020-2023) for the allocation and destination of its immovables

2020-05-166 It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Karen Messier and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Commission scolaire Lester B. Pearson draft for consultation on the three-year plan (2020-2023) for the allocation and destination of its immovable be noted and filed.

Traffic calming measures along Lakeshore Road

2020-05-167 It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to install signs as soon as possible at the beginning, at the end and at each intersection with a stop sign joining Lakeshore Road to indicate that cyclists are prohibited from speeding;

To install a removable speed hump on Lakeshore Road at intersections with a stop sign.



60.5

Authorization granted to Beaconsfield High School to use Centennial Park to form a guard of honour as a tribute to the graduates by displaying their photos and allowing their parents and the family to drive through, on Tuesday, June 16, 2020, from 5 to 8 p.m.

2020-05-168

CONSIDERING the obligation to respect the directives of the government of Québec surrounding COVID-19, in particular physical distancing and the prohibition of all events and gatherings;

CONSIDERING traditionally, the end of high school includes rituals whose symbolism is associated with the transition to a new stage of life, Beaconsfield High School and their Graduating Students Committee have found a creative way to highlight the end of secondary school;

CONSIDERING the request from Beaconsfield High School to use Centennial Park, on Tuesday, June 16, 2020, from 5 to 8 p.m. (June 17 in case of rain) to form a guard of honour as a tribute to the graduates by displaying their photos and by allowing their parents and the family to drive through, hence, to acknowledge the students' graduation;

It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to authorize that Beaconsfield High School uses Centennial Park, Tuesday, June 16, 2020, from 5 to 8 p.m. (June 17 in case of rain) to form a guard of honour as a tribute to the graduates by displaying their photos and allowing their parents and the family to drive through, hence, to acknowledge the students' graduation;

THAT the assembly of the honour guard be carried out in the afternoon by representatives of Beaconsfield High School, in accordance with the directives set out by the director of the Department of Culture and Leisure:

THAT Beaconsfield High School assign the necessary personnel to the premises to ensure the organization and the good proceedings of the event and take the necessary measures to ensure that no outdoor gatherings take place.

60.6 COVID-19 - Postponement of the 2020 Toope Memorial scholarships

2020-05-169

CONSIDERING the closure for students of all schools in Québec announced by the provincial government due to the current circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic;

CONSIDERING that the Toope Memorial Scholarships are awarded by the City of Beaconsfield to a student graduating from High School from each of the two school boards serving the territory of Beaconsfield, these students have distinguished themselves in several aspects of their student and community life;

CONSIDERING that the current situation does not allow for the nomination of recipients and the presentation of scholarships;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to authorize postponement of the presentation of the 2020 Toope 2020 Memorial Scholarships.

## 70. AGGLOMERATION COUNCIL

70.1 Mayor's report on the decisions made by the Agglomeration Council at its meeting of April 23, 2020

His Honour the Mayor indicates that he has nothing relevant to report.

80. DIRECTORS REPORTS



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80.1	Deposit of the Directors reports
	Are received and accepted for information purposes
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	Covid-19 timeline actions report; Urban Planning Department's building report for April 2020.
90.	NEW BUSINESS
	Nil.
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95.	CLOSING OF MEETING
	It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to close the regular meeting at 9:06 p.m.
MAY	OR CITY CLERK