

Minutes of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Municipal Council meeting, held at City Hall, 303 Beaconsfield Boulevard, Beaconsfield, Québec, on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, at 8 p.m.

WERE PRESENT:

His Honour the Mayor Georges Bourelle and Councillors Dominique Godin, Martin St-Jean, Robert Mercuri, David Newell, Roger Moss, Peggy Alexopoulos

<u>ALSO PRESENT:</u> Patrice Boileau, Director General, Nathalie Libersan-Laniel, City Clerk and Director of Public Affairs, Dominique Quirk, Assistant City Clerk

1. OPENING OF MEETING

His Honour the Mayor calls the meeting to order.

- 2. <u>AGENDA</u>
- 2.1 Adoption of the agenda of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of May 21, 2024
- 2024-05-176 It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor Martin St-Jean and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to adopt the agenda of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of May 21, 2024, with the modification of the title of item 60.4 to include the estimated cost:

Authorization to host the Montreal Symphony Orchestra for a concert at Centennial Park on Saturday, July 27, 2024, at 7:30 p.m., and closure of Beaconsfield Boulevard from 5:00 p.m. to 10 p.m., and that logistics and security costs of the site, **at an estimated amount of \$41,000**, be paid by the City

5. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

The City Clerk announces the beginning of the public question period.

His Honour the Mayor invites PDQ1 Commander François Sauvé to provide updates and information regarding citizen safety in Beaconsfield.

His Honour the Mayor notes the recognition of Director general, Patrice Boileau, by the "Association Canadienne d'Administrateurs Municipaux" (ACAM) for his service as Director general, along with his sustained input and dedication to the association.

A resident asks his Honour the Mayor whether there are specific areas in the City that will be prioritized by contract 662-24-GC with 9363-9888 Québec Inc. (Sanivac) regarding the cleaning and inspection of sanitary sewer pipes? The resident states that, in past years, there have been sink holes on her property and wonders if they are correlated with a stream near the sewer pipes.

His Honour the Mayor asks the Director general, Mr. Patrice Boileau, to answer the question. Mr. Boileau explains that this aforementioned contract is for sanitary sewer pipes and not drainage. A portion of the network must be monitored every year. Mr. Boileau explains that there is no correlation with the situation surrounding the property because the streams are not connected to the sanitary sewers network.

A resident makes several comments and requests regarding the following subjects:

- Rodenticide use;
- Preservation of trees and treatment of animals regarding the Centennial boat ramp;
- Creation of a "Friends of Beaconsfield Dog Pound".

His Honour the Mayor states that the resident's comments and suggestions are noted and will be sent to the City's administration for

their consideration.

A resident asks a question regarding the motion to terminate the mandate of contract 20-SP-127 which outlines a rehabilitation project for Windermere Park. The resident mentions that the planned rehabilitation was listed on the most recent three (3) year capital plan and would like to be provided with an update regarding the timing and scope of this work.

His Honour the Mayor asks the Director general, Mr. Patrice Boileau, to answer the question. Mr. Boileau explains that the scope of the rehabilitation project has not changed. Mr. Boileau holds that, due to the possible resiliation of this mandate, the project might be delayed. However, a new mandate may be awarded in 2025. Mr. Boileau concludes that there is still the possibility of achieving the rehabilitation of the park in 2026, as per the current PTI, however it is pending the results of future consultation, borrowing by-laws, and bid results.

A resident mentions that the pickleball courts are not regulation size and asks why the courts have not been adjusted to fit this standard. The resident then asks why there is a point on the Agenda concerning his property. He states that he had only received notice via letter this morning. The resident then says that he has family matters and therefore cannot conform to the ten-day delay. The resident declares that he has never received a complaint from a neighbour.

His Honour the Mayor states that the resident's concern about pickleball will be noted and will be sent to the Director of Culture and Leisure. His Honour the Mayor then explains that the City must enforce its by-laws to ensure their observance, and the issue in question will not be resolved at this meeting.

A resident asks three questions on behalf of the members of the Beaconsfield Citizens Association (BCA). Firstly, the resident asks when the extent of the Recreation Centre work was known by the City. The resident then asks whether there were any solutions prepared for the groups who make use of the services offered in the arena. Finally, the resident asks what would happen if groups signed contracts for the coming year, given the closure.

His Honour the Mayor asks the Director general, Mr. Patrice Boileau, to answer the question. Mr. Boileau says that the extent of the work to be done has been known for a few years, as seen with the adoption of a bylaw last year regarding work to be done the Recreation Centre's arena. Mr. Boileau then explains that the groups who made use of the arena were made aware of its closure, however it is not the City's responsibility to find available ice time or space for these groups thereafter. Mr. Boileau states that he does not know of any groups who signed contracts for icetime in the coming year but would invite any inquiries to the Director of Culture and Leisure.

A resident who submitted her question electronically asks once again for the creation of a "Friends of Beaconsfield" dog pound?

His Honour the Mayor explains that her question has already been submitted and will be answered by the administration.

The question period ends at 8:28 p.m.

- 10. <u>MINUTES</u>
- 10.1 Adoption of the minutes of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of April 22, 2024
- 2024-05-177 It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the City of Beaconsfield's regular Council meeting of April 22, 2024, at 8:00 p.m.



# 20. <u>CONTRACTS</u>

- 20.1 Awarding of contract TP 2024-06 for the supply of a compact, framemounted vacuum street sweeper to the single and conforming bidder, Cubex Limited, in the amount of \$336,702.41, all taxes included
- 2024-05-178 It is moved by Councillor Martin St-Jean, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to award contract TP 2024-06 for the supply of a compact, frame-mounted vacuum street sweeper to the single and conforming bidder, Cubex Limited, in the amount of \$336,702.41, all taxes included; and

To authorize the Finance and Treasury Department to charge the expense to budget code 22-311-00-724. This expense is financed by the Working Fund and will be reimbursed in ten (10) yearly installments starting the year following the disbursement.

- 20.2 Awarding of contract 662-24-GC for the cleaning and television inspection by conventional camera of sanitary sewer pipes to the lowest conforming bidder, 9363-9888 Québec Inc. (Sanivac), in the amount of \$102,423.18, all taxes included
- 2024-05-179 It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to award contract 662-24-GC for the cleaning and television inspection by conventional camera of sanitary sewer pipes to the lowest conforming bidder, 9363-9888 Québec Inc. (Sanivac), in the amount of \$102,423.18, all taxes included; and

To authorize the Finance and Treasury Department to charge the expense to budget code 02-415-00-417.

- 20.3 Termination of mandate 20-SP-127 for the Windermere Park rehabilitation to the single and conforming bidder, Poirier Fontaine Architectes Inc.
- 2024-05-180 WHEREAS mandate 20-SP-127 concerning multidisciplinary professional services for the rehabilitation of Windermere Park, granted by resolution 2020-08-229;

WHEREAS that this mandate relates to the rehabilitation of Windermere Park, but that this latter project has undergone several modifications since the mandate was granted and that the object and scope of the mandate are no longer adapted to the project;

WHEREAS the City wishes to unilaterally resiliate the mandate given these particular circumstances, without reason, in accordance with clause 6.1.2 of the specifications of mandate 20-SP-127;

WHEREAS the successful bidder, Poirier Fontaine Architectes Inc., confirms having submitted to the City all of the plans and documents that they produced as of the date hereof, in accordance with the framework established by the contract and also acknowledges that the fees were acquitted;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Martin St-Jean and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to resiliate mandate 20-SP-127 concerning multidisciplinary professional services for the rehabilitation of Windermere Park, granted by resolution 2020-08-229; and

To send a copy of this resolution to Poirier Fontaine Architectes Inc., which takes effect automatically on the date of receipt thereof.

20.4 Rejection of the bid for contract 24-SP-196 for professional services for the inspection and preparation of plans and specifications for the rehabilitation of the pedestrian crossing over Highway 20 in Beaconsfield



- 2024-05-181 It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to reject the bid for contract 24-SP-196 for professional services for the inspection and preparation of plans and specifications for the rehabilitation of the pedestrian bridge over Highway 20 in Beaconsfield.
- 20.5 Approval of the management contract with the Beaurepaire Swimming Club
- 2024-05-182 It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the management contract with Beaurepaire Swimming Club; and

To authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the contract on behalf of the City.

- 20.6 Approval of the management contract with the Beaconsfield Heights Community Pool
- 2024-05-183 It is moved by Councillor Martin St-Jean, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the management contract with Beaconsfield Heights Community Pool; and

To authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the contract on behalf of the City.

- 20.7 Approval of the management contract with the Windermere Aquatic Club
- 2024-05-184 It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the management contract with Windermere Aquatic Club; and

To authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the contract on behalf of the City.

- 20.8 Authorization to sign a lease on water property with the Quebec government for a deep-water shore lot (Centennial Marina) and confirmation of its purpose
- 2024-05-185 CONSIDERING that lease 9091-258 between the Lord Reading Yacht Club and the Government of Quebec has expired and cannot be renewed;

CONSIDERING that a new lease is necessary to regularize the presence of the City's structures on the Government's waterfront at Centennial Marina;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the City Clerk be authorized to sign the lease between the Government of Quebec (domaine hydrique) and the City of Beaconsfield;

That the City confirms that the premises will be used for non-profit purposes, managed by management agreement for use with private access by members.

- 20.9 Mandate to the Union des municipalités du Québec (UMQ) with regard to the group for the purchase in common of insurance products for cyber-risks for the 2024-2029 period
- 2024-05-186 CONSIDERING that, according to section 29.9.1 of the *Cities and Towns Act*, the City of Beaconsfield wishes to join the Union des municipalités du Québec (UMQ) and its group for the purchase in common of insurance products for cyber-risks for the 2024-2029 period;



Jean and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to join, by the present, the group for the purchase, with the Union des municipalités du Québec (UMQ), in order to award a contract with regard to insurance products for cyber-

risks, for the period of July 1, 2024, until July 1, 2029;

TO authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign, for and on behalf of the City of Beaconsfield, the agreement entitled "Entente de regroupement de municipalités au sein de l'Union des municipalités du Québec relativement à l'achat en commun de produits d'assurance pour les cyber-risques", for the period of July 1, 2019, until July 1, 2024, and attached to the present herewith forming an integral part hereof as if it were cited in its entirety; and

THAT the City of Beaconsfield accepts, according to the law, that a municipality that is not currently part of the group, may request, in the course of the contract, by resolution, its membership in this group provided that the UMQ authorizes this subscription and that the municipality wishing to join the group undertakes to respect each and every one of the conditions set out in the tender specifications, to bear the costs required by the UMQ and in the insurance contract as well as the mandate of the consultant, awarded accordingly. And that this unification should not be done if it misrepresents the main elements of the call for tenders, the contract or the mandate in question.

#### 30. FINANCE AND TREASURY

- 30.1 Approval of the list of accounts payable as of May 21, 2024, and of the list of pre-authorized payments for the period of April 11, 2024, to April 21, 2024, and for the period of April 23, 2024, to May 8, 2024, for a total disbursement of \$2,077,574.71
- 2024-05-187 CONSIDERING the lists submitted by the Treasurer regarding the payment of expenses for financial and investment activities;

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

To approve the list of accounts payable as of May 21, 2024, regarding expenses for financial and investment activities totalling \$418,486.16; and

To approve the list of pre-authorized payments from April 11, 2024, to April 21, 2024, and for the period of April 23, 2024, to May 8, 2024, totalling \$1,198,202.88 and electronic payments, for the same period, of salaries paid to municipal employees, bank fees and the debt service, totalling \$460,885.67; and

That all these disbursements totalling \$2,077,574.71 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, 2023
- 2024-05-188 Deposit not completed.
- 30.3 Approval of a \$150 contribution to GerontoLogis for the purchase of an advertisement in their Outstanding Senior Awards programme for the year 2024

2024-05-189 It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor David Newell and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve a \$150 contribution to GerontoLogis for the purchase of an advertisement in their Outstanding Senior Awards programme for the year 2024; and

To authorize the Finance and Treasury Department to charge the expense to budget code 02-721-80-992.

40. <u>BY-LAWS</u>



40.1

City Clerk's certificate regarding the results of an application to participate in a referendum poll, held May 7, 2024, for the resolution Project PP-12-1, Part II entitled "Final authorization of the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part II)" be tabled with Council

- 2024-05-190 That the City Clerk's certificate regarding the results of application to participate in a referendum poll, held May 7, 2024, for the resolution Project PP-12-1, Part II entitled "Final authorization of the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield, (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part II)" be tabled with Council.
- 40.2 City Clerk's certificate regarding the results of an application to participate in a referendum poll, held May 7, 2024, for the resolution Projet PP-12-1, Part III entitled "Final authorization of the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part III)" be tabled with Council
- 2024-05-191 That the City Clerk's certificate regarding the results of application to participate in a referendum poll, held May 7, 2024, for the resolution Projet PP-12-1, Part III entitled "Final authorization of the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part III)" be tabled with Council.
- 40.3 Decision of Council relating to the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield, (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part II and Part III) (withdrawal or referendum, at the discretion of Council)
- 2024-05-192 WHEREAS a final authorization was given by resolution 2024-04-143 for the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable, on the property located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield, (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Quebec cadastre) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part II - concerned zone C330 and contiguous zones H333, H334 and H340);

WHEREAS a final authorization was given by resolution 2024-04-144 for the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable, on the property located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield, (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Quebec cadastre) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part III - concerned zone C330 and contiguous zones H333 and H340);

WHEREAS these resolutions provided that a registration procedure be held for the elements listed in the respective resolutions which were the subject of valid requests aimed at submitting the provisions to the approval of the qualified voters of the sectors concerned, on May 7, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

CONSIDERING that at the end of the period open for the two registers, the number of applications reached the required number for each respective register, according to Section 553 of an *Act respecting elections and referendum in municipalities* (LERM);

WHEREAS Section 553 provides that a referendum poll must be held, except in the event of withdrawal of the by-law, resolution or ordinance;

It is moved by Councillor Martin St-Jean, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to withdraw resolution 2024-04-143 entitled "Final authorization of the specific construction, alteration or



occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part II concerned zone C330 and contiguous zones H333, H334 and H340) and register to be held on May 7, 2024,"; and

To withdraw resolution 2024-04-144 entitled "Final authorization of the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720 (Project PP-12-1, Part III - concerned zone C330 and contiguous zones H333 and H340) and register to be held on May 7, 2024,"; and

To also withdraw resolution 2024-04-142 entitled "Final authorization of the specific construction, alteration or occupancy proposal for an immovable (SCAOPI) located at 275 Elm, Beaconsfield (projected lots 6 555 296 and 6 555 297 of the Cadastre of Québec) in zone C330 of Zoning By-law 720, relating to the provisions which are not subject to approval by referendum (Project PP-12-1, Part I)".

- 40.4 Deposit of the City Clerk's certificate regarding the results of an application to participate in a referendum poll held April 30 and May 1, 2024, regarding By-law BEAC-153 entitled "By-law authorizing a loan of \$3,392,077 for the rehabilitation of Centennial jetty, 288 Beaconsfield, Beaconsfield"
- 2024-05-193 That the City Clerk's certificate regarding the results of application to participate in a referendum poll regarding By-law BEAC-153 entitled "By-law authorizing a loan of \$3,392,077 for the rehabilitation of Centennial jetty, 288 Beaconsfield, Beaconsfield" be tabled with Council.
- 40.5 Authorization to correct nuisances at 161 Stonehenge and to bill the costs to the owner, in virtue of By-law BEAC-033
- 2024-05-194 CONSIDERING that a 10-day notice to correct nuisances at 161 Stonehenge was sent to the owner, in conformity with By-law BEAC-033, but the notice was not respected;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Public Works Department be authorized, in virtue of By-law BEAC-033, section 11.3, to perform the necessary corrective work at 161 Stonehenge and that the City bill the costs to the owner.

- 45. URBAN PLANNING
- 45.1 Request for the approval of the Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programme (SPAIP) relating to a building permit application for the extension of the main building located at 308 Sherbrooke
- 2024-05-195 CONSIDERING THAT a building permit application was filed for the extension of a main building located at 308 Sherbrooke;

CONSIDERING THAT By-law BEAC-098 regarding Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes (SPAIP) 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 building permit application at the May 1, 2024, meeting and is of the opinion that the objective to propose sustainable, quality architecture is not repsected, because the criterion on the exterior cladding materials and architectural components match together, in form, texture and colour is not fulfilled;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to REFUSE the SPAIP relating to a building permit application for the extension of the main building located at 308 Sherbrooke;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Roger



Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to REFUSE the SPAIP relating to a building permit application for the extension of the main building located at 308 Sherbrooke.

45.2 Request for the approval of the Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programme (SPAIP) relating to a building permit application for the modification of the facade of a main building located at 219 Sherwood

2024-05-196 CONSIDERING THAT a building permit application was filed for the modification of the facade of a main building located at 219 Sherwood;

CONSIDERING THAT By-law BEAC-098 regarding Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programmes (SPAIP) 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 building permit application at the May 21, 2024, meeting and is of the opinion that the applicable objectives and criteria are respected;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the SPAIP relating to the building permit application for the modification of the facade of a main building located at 219 Sherwood;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the SPAIP relating to the building permit application for the modification of the facade of a main building located at 219 Sherwood.

- 45.3 Request for the approval of the Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programme (SPAIP) relating to a building permit application to modify the already approved plan at 26 Beaconsfield
- 2024-05-197 CONSIDERING THAT on December 20, 2021, Council adopted resolution 2021-12-481 approving the site planning and architectural integration programme for a building permit application at 26 Beaconsfield;

CONSIDERING THAT after the resolution was adopted, an application to modify the approved plan was filed;

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 (SPAIP);

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents accompanying the permit application at the May 1, 2024, meeting and is of the opinion that the objective to propose sustainable, quality architecture is not respected, because the criteria on (1) the exterior cladding materials are durable, with sober colours and compatible with the surrounding buildings and (2) the exterior cladding materials and architectural components match together, in form, texture and colour are not fulfilled;

WHEREAS to comply with these objectives and criteria, the applicant should the applicant should maintain the existing cladding or to install the cladding previously approuved via the resolution 2021-12-481;

WHEREAS new plans were submitted on May 14, 2024, which, according to the Planning Advisory Committee, meet the objectives and criteria to be respected;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the SPAIP relating to a building permit application to modify the already approved plan at 26 Beaconsfield;

WHEREAS Council has taken note of the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee;



WHEREAS the preamble is an integral part of this resolution;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the SPAIP relating to a building permit application to modify the already approved plan located plans at 26 Beaconsfield, **according to the plans filed on** May 14, 2024.

- 45.4 Request for the approval of the Site Planning and Architectural Integration Programme (SPAIP) relating to a building permit application to modify the already approved plan at 131 Woodland
- 2024-05-198 CONSIDERING THAT on September 25, 2023, Council adopted resolution 2023-09-618 approving the site planning and architectural integration programme for a building permit application at 131 Woodland;

CONSIDERING THAT after the resolution was adopted, an application to modify the approved plan was filed;

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 (SPAIP);

CONSIDERING THAT the Planning Advisory Committee has considered the plans and documents accompanying the building permit application at the May 1, 2024, meeting and is of the opinion that the applicable objectives and criteria are respected;

CONSIDERING the Planning Advisory Committee's recommendation to APPROVE the SPAIP relating to a building permit application to modify the already approved plan at 131 Woodland;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to APPROVE the SPAIP relating to a building permit application to modify the already approved plan at 131 Woodland.

#### 50. <u>HUMAN RESOURCES</u>

- 50.1 Nomination in view of permanency as Préposée à l'accueil et aux droits d'entrée to position 6401
- 2024-05-199 It is moved by Councillor Martin St-Jean, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the nomination in view of permanency of Alicia Drewnoswki as Préposée à l'accueil et aux droits d'entrée, be approved as of May 20, 2024;

THAT this nomination be subjected to a probation period of eight (8) weeks as stipulated in paragraph 2.01b) of the white collar employees collective agreement;

THAT her salary be established at level 2 of salary group 4 of the white collar employees collective agreement.

- 50.2 Nomination in view of permanency as Opérateur Annexe A-1 to position 5247 at the Public Works Department
- 2024-05-200 It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor Martin St-Jean and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the nomination in view of permanency of Juan Sebastian Schroeder Wong as Opérateur Annexe A-1, be approved;

THAT this nomination be effective as of May 20, 2024, and subject to a probation period of 20 worked days in conformity with paragraph 17.17 of the blue collar employees collective agreement, after which the status of permanent employee will be recognized.

THAT Juan Sebastian Schroeder Wong's recognized seniority date be established as of March 6, 2023, date of his hiring.



## 53. <u>COMMITTEES</u>

53.1 Minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of May 1, 2024

- 2024-05-201 It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Council take act of the minutes of the Planning Advisory Committee meeting of May 1, 2024.
- 53.2 Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting of April 9, 2024
- 2024-05-202 It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting of April 9, 2024.

# 60. <u>GENERAL</u>

- 60.1 Mandate to the administration of the City of Beaconsfield to pay, under protest, the second payment of the quotes-parts, invoices and contributions for the year 2024 to the Agglomeration of Montréal
- 2024-05-203 CONSIDERING the tripartite agreement of June 2008, between the Government of Québec, the City of Montréal and the reconstituted municipalities of the Agglomeration of Montréal and the Ministerial Order therein from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Regions dated November 26, 2008, concerning the rules to establish the fiscal potential of the related municipalities of the urban agglomeration of Montréal for the purposes of apportioning urban agglomeration expenditures;

CONSIDERING the Order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Land Occupancy dated July 21, 2017, replacing the Order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Regions dated November 26, 2008;

CONSIDERING resolution 2019-12-494 mandating Me Marc-André Lechasseur from Bélanger Sauvé law firm in order to evaluate various options for the City of Beaconsfield regarding the issue of the "quotes-parts" resulting in overtaxing by the Agglomeration of Montréal;

CONSIDERING resolution 2020-12-455 mandating Me Jacques Jeansonne, from the firm Jeansonne lawyers, to join the City's work team and Me Marc-André LeChasseur from Bélanger Sauvé law firm in the case of the "quotes-parts" resulting in overtaxing by the Agglomeration of Montréal;

CONSIDERING the Order of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing dated December 18, 2019, renewing the coefficient of tax potential of 2.68, undervalued, without justification, and in the absence of a rigorous analysis of the fiscal impact following the 2020-2022 property assessment roll;

CONSIDERING the absence of a neutrality coefficient to counter market effects during the calculation of general "quote-parts" by the City of Montréal following the filing of the new 2020-2022 property assessment roll;

CONSIDERING resolution 2020-02-065 adopted at the Council meeting held on February 24, 2020, and resolution 2020-06-208 adopted at the Council meeting held on June 22, 2020, mandating the administration of the City of Beaconsfield to pay, under protest, the quotes-parts, invoices and contributions to the Agglomeration of Montréal for the year 2020;

CONSIDERING resolution 2021-05-202 adopted at the Council meeting held on May 17, 2021, and resolution 2021-08-351 adopted at the Council meeting held on August 23, 2021, mandating the administration of the City of Beaconsfield to pay, under protest, the quotes-parts, invoices and contributions to the Agglomeration of Montréal for the year 2021; CONSIDERING resolution 2022-02-066 adopted at the Council meeting held on February 28, 2022, and resolution 2022-05-229 adopted at the Council meeting held on May 24, 2022, mandating the administration of the City of Beaconsfield to pay, under protest, the quotes-parts, invoices and contributions to the Agglomeration of Montréal for the year 2022;

CONSIDERING resolution 2023-02-123 adopted at the Council meeting held on February 20, 2023, and resolution 2023-05-445 adopted at the Council meeting held on May 23, 2023, mandating the administration of the City of Beaconsfield to pay, under protest, the quotes-parts, invoices and contributions to the Agglomeration of Montréal for the year 2023;

CONSIDERING resolution 2024-02-061 adopted at the Council meeting held on February 26, 2024, mandating the administration of the City of Beaconsfield to pay, under protest, the first payment of the quotes-parts, invoices and contributions to the Agglomeration of Montréal for the year 2024;

CONSIDERING the adoption by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing of the Order concerning the rules to establish the fiscal potential of the related municipalities of the urban agglomeration of Montréal for the purposes of apportioning urban agglomeration expenditures on December 16, 2020, and the Erratum on January 15, 2021, the Order extends the coefficient of tax potential;

It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that a mandate be given to the City of Beaconsfield to pay, under protest, the second instalment of the quotes-parts, invoices and contributions for the year 2024 to the Agglomeration of Montréal;

THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to:

- Mrs. Andrée Laforest, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

- Mr. François Jacques, Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Member of the National Assembly for Mégantic;

- Mr. Gregory Kelley, Member of the National Assembly for Jacques Cartier;

- the Mayors of the related cities.

60.2 Opinion of the City of Beaconsfield on the Lester B. Pearson School Board draft for consultation on the three-year Plan (2024-2027) for the allocation and destination of its immovables

- 2024-05-204 It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor Martin St-Jean and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that the Lester B. Pearson School Board draft for consultation on the three-year plan (2024-2027) for the allocation and destination of its immovable be noted and filed.
- 60.3 Proclamation to designate June 26 as National Cancer Awareness Day
- 2024-05-205 CONSIDERING that National Cancer Awareness Day is a critically important initiative, highlighting the alarming fact that one in two Canadians will face this disease;

CONSIDERING that, by promoting a national awareness day, the goal is to reach a wider audience, inform them of essential resources and encourage greater access to comprehensive wellness support;

It is moved by Councillor Martin St-Jean, seconded by Councillor Roger Moss and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to proclaim June 26 as National Cancer Wellness Awareness Day.



60.4

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Authorization to host the Montreal Symphony Orchestra for a concert at Centennial Park on Saturday, July 27, 2024, at 7:30 p.m., and closure of Beaconsfield Boulevard from 5:00 p.m. to 10 p.m., and that logistics and security costs of the site, at an estimated amount of \$41,000, be paid by the City

2024-05-206 It is moved by Councillor Roger Moss, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and RESOLVED to authorize the hosting of the Orchestre symphonique de Montréal for a concert at Centennial Park on Saturday, July 27 at 7:30 p.m. and the closure of Beaconsfield Boulevard from 5:00 p.m. to 10 p.m., and that logistics and security costs of the site, at an estimated amount of \$41,000, be paid by the City.

> VOTES IN FAVOUR: Councillors Martin St-Jean, Robert Mercuri

<u>VOTES OPPOSED</u>: Councillors Dominique Godin, David Newell, Roger Moss, Peggy Alexopoulos

THE MOTION IS CARRIED. THE AUTHORIZATION TO HOST THE MONTREAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FOR A CONCERT AT CENTENNIAL PARK ON SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2024, AT 7:30 P.M., AND CLOSURE OF BEACONSFIELD BOULEVARD FROM 5:00 P.M. TO 10 P.M., AND THAT LOGISTICS AND SECURITY COSTS OF THE SITE, AT AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$41,000, BE PAID BY THE CITY IS <u>REFUSED.</u>

- 60.5 Resolution supporting Quebec English language universities and institutions of higher learning
- 2024-05-207 WHEREAS the Chamber of Commerce of Metropolitan Montreal states as of 2023, McGill University and Concordia University's out of province students contribute \$520 million annually to the greater Montreal economy;

WHEREAS these two major English language universities have contributed to Quebec society through higher learning, research innovation, publications, and through their output of highly educated and skilled students, graduates, and alumni throughout their history which dates back to 1821 in the case of McGill and 1974 in the case of Concordia;

WHEREAS these universities have achieved top rankings for education excellence bestowed by established Canadian and global organizations and media outlets, and that these reputations attract students from more than 150 countries;

WHEREAS 24% of Concordia's enrollment and 30% of McGill's enrollment is international students;

WHEREAS 9% of Concordia's enrollment and 22% of McGill's enrollment is Canadian students from outside of Quebec;

WHEREAS in December 2023, the Minister of Higher Education (the "Minister") Quebec Government imposed a plan exclusively for these two English-language universities that (a) significantly increases the tuition rate applicable to Canadian residents from outside Quebec, as of the 2024-2025 academic year; (b) regulates tuition fees for certain international students that results in a net loss of revenue as of the 2024-2025 academic year; and (c) requires the francization of 80% of non-resident students (newly enrolled as of 2025-2026) in undergraduate programs taught in English by the time they graduate (the "Decision");

WHEREAS this decision was followed by the adoption in January 2024 of a series of modifications to the budgetary rules to be applied to the Universities entitled Règles budgétaires et calcul des subventions de fonctionnement aux universités du Québec (les « Règles budgétaires ») which put this Decision into effect;

WHEREAS despite protests and attempts for negotiations from the universities and other organizations, the Quebec Government has refused to reconsider the Decision;

WHEREAS since the new reforms were announced, Concordia has seen a 27 percent decline in applicants from the rest of Canada and a 12 percent decline in the number of students coming from abroad, McGill announced a 20 percent drop in out-of-province applicants;

WHEREAS the Quebec Government rejected reasonable francization proposals from the universities and instead imposed requirements which are viewed by the universities as unreasonable, unachievable, and punitive;

WHEREAS the measures taken by the Quebec Government represent a clear and present danger to the missions of Concordia and McGill universities and will weaken their vital role within the province and their reputations as international draws;

WHEREAS the reduction in students applying and attending Concordia and McGill universities will lead to budget cuts that will negatively impact the education of local students from Quebec as well as students from out of province in addition to impacting employment for academic and nonacademic staff from the Greater Montreal area;

WHEREAS reductions in the number of out-of-province students attending Quebec universities will lead to reduction in tax revenue for all three levels of government and a decrease in the number of welleducated professionals, hurting the economic and social development of the Island of Montreal and Province of Quebec;

WHEREAS the decision was made in clear violation and in total disregard of the recommendations issued in January 2024, by the Advisory Committee on Financial Accessibility of Education (Comité Consultatif sur l'Accessibilité Financière aux Etudes, hereafter "CCAFE"), an advisory committee appointed by the government, composed of representatives of government and French- language universities and Cégeps, who have stated that the new regulations risk compromising access to quality education and depriving Quebec society of potential talent;

WHEREAS on or about February 23rd, 2024, McGill and Concordia Universities both filed separate legal proceedings in judicial review contesting and challenging the Decision of the Minister of Higher Education and the modifications to the Budgetary rules;

• Constitute discrimination under the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms as well as the Quebec Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms,

• Were an unreasonable exercise of the powers of the Minister of Higher Education, since they were incompatible with the mission assigned to her by the Ministry of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology Act,

• Were adopted following inadequate and an unfair process,

• Constitute a disguised and illegal tax, which is being imposed without the authorization of the National Assembly,

• Create unconstitutional barriers to interprovincial trade thereby limiting student mobility, choice of university, and access to education,

• Limit the diversity of the student body at these universities by creating barriers for international students,

• Were designed to inflict harm on the institutions by reducing the number of students attending the universities, changing the demographic profiles, shrinking the revenues and weakening their financial positions.

WHEREAS these actions by the Quebec Government could lead to retaliatory actions by other provinces in Canada limiting the options available for Quebec students to study at universities throughout Canada;

WHEREAS the residents of Beaconsfield value higher education and



have a relatively high level of scholarity for such a small community;

WHEREAS Beaconsfield's population is comprised of alumni, academics, scholars, and current students who take pride in the high standards and reputation of these universities;

WHEREAS the inevitable decline in the universities' standing will prompt an exodus of our youth to pursue their degrees elsewhere, which will have a deep negative impact on our community;

WHEREAS, as per the court filings, the Universities submit that these measures from the Quebec Government;

It is moved by Councillor David Newell, seconded by Councillor Robert Mercuri and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED that Beaconsfiled's Council calls on the Minister of Higher Education and the Government of Quebec to reconsider the Decision and reverse the tuition increases and new tuition regulations and revise the compulsory francization requirements to a more realistic attainable level;

THAT Council calls on the Minister of Higher Education and the Government of Quebec to follow the recommendations of its own Comité Consultatif sur l'Accessibilité Financière aux Études, which Committee "strongly urges the government to reconsider this decision;

THAT Council calls on the Minister of Higher Education and the Premier of Quebec to meet with representatives of the English universities and English- speaking community to renegotiate these changes which have been unfairly imposed and are not respectful of the English-speaking community of Quebec;

THAT Council directs its City Clerk to send copies of this resolution to all of members of the National Assembly of Quebec including the Member of the National Assembly for Jacques-Cartier, Mr. Gregory Kelley, to all other municipalities in the Montreal Metropolitan Community, to the Member of Parliament for Lac-Saint-Louis, Mr. Francis Scarpaleggia, to the Prime Minister of Canada, to the federal Minister of Official Languages, to the Commissioner of Official Languages of Canada, to the Union des Municipalités du Québec (UMQ), to the Fédération Québécoise des Municipalités (FQM), to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM), to the Presidents of Concordia and McGill's Universities and to the members of the Quebec Advisory Board on English Education.

- 70. <u>AGGLOMERATION COUNCIL</u>
- 70.1 Mayor's report on the decisions made by the Agglomeration Council at its meeting of May 16, 2024
- 2024-05-208 His Honour the Mayor indicates that there is nothing to report, apart from the fact that a lot of money is spent at the Agglomeration Council meeting.
- 80. <u>DIRECTORS REPORTS</u>
- 80.1 Deposit of the Directors reports
- 2024-05-209 Are received and accepted for information purposes:

Urban Planning Department's building report for April 2024; DDO dispatch centre's report for March 2024; Report on live and deferred viewing of Council meetings via webcast.

## 90. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

Nil.



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# CLOSING OF MEETING

It is moved by Councillor Dominique Godin, seconded by Councillor Martin St-Jean and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to close the regular meeting at 8:52.

MAYOR

**CITY CLERK**