

GOOD NEIGHBOURLY RELATIONS COMMITTEE
MUHC Glen site: Construction and Roadwork

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
Meeting held on Wednesday, October 9th, 2013 (7 p.m.)

Committee members in attendance

VILLE DE MONTRÉAL

Sébastien Deshaies (Planner, Transport
Department)
Marc Breton (Planning Advisor)

MUHC

Pierre Major (Director Interim,
Redevelopment, Planning and Real Estate
Management)

MODERATOR

Pierre Tessier

MINISTÈRE DES TRANSPORTS DU QUÉBEC

Alain Dubé
Vicky Lachapelle (Communications
Consultant)

AGENCE MÉTROPOLITAINE DE TRANSPORT

Alexandre Eyquem (Project Director)
Karine Côté

**MCGILL HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE
GROUP**

Chantal Sorel (Vice-President and MUHC
Project Director, SNC-Lavalin)

SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN

Emmanuelle Rondeau (Director of
Communications)
Robert Nadeau (Project Director, new
Shriners hospitals - Montreal)

CITIZENS

Donna Allen
Peter McQueen
Maureen Kiely
Gabriel Retta
Terry O'Malley
Louise Fournier
Kevin Copps
Andy Riga
Sean Jones
Desmond O'Neil

Agenda:

- The moderator called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone in attendance.
- He explained the committee's mandate and the goals for the meeting: the issues discussed must only relate to the work for the next two months.
- He also explained that his role is to ensure that the meeting proceeds smoothly and asked everyone in attendance to be courteous to each other.
- The moderator presented everyone at the table for the presentations.
- Adoption of the minutes from the previous meeting of the Good Neighbourly Relations Committee.
- Adoption of the agenda.

Presentation of completed and upcoming work

Presentation by Marc Breton and Sébastien Deshaies (Ville de Montréal)

The retaining walls of the railway bridge have been completed 100%. The sand-blast cleaning of the retaining walls is also finished. The water and sewer work on Décarie Boulevard is 90% completed. Over the next few weeks, we will begin to connect the water supply system to existing construction. We will have to partly close Upper Lachine for one week to do the work. In the next two weeks, the final earthwork will be done under the railway bridge. In addition, the work on Décarie will end October 18. The work on Northcliffe and de Maisonneuve Boulevard will continue until Christmas and then start again in the spring.

During the last meeting, we were waiting for a reply from the AMF. To date, we still haven't received a response. Therefore, the work will be delayed until 2014. The validity periods of tenders have expired. As a result, we have no choice but to call new tenders in the fall to make the improvements to public property on Décarie Boulevard in the spring. As for the work at the intersection of Décarie and de Maisonneuve Boulevard, we hope to provide the results on November 19.

Discussion period:

ISSUE	ANSWER
(Louise Fournier) Will Décarie Boulevard be opened October 18?	(Ville Montréal) No.
There is a traffic plan for de Maisonneuve Boulevard and Northcliffe Avenue. Is there a plan for the other streets?	(Ville de Montréal) That is all being done in phases. Northcliffe will be completed by Christmas. Then we will address Sherbrooke.
(Donna Allen) Will Upper Lachine be closed completely?	(Ville de Montréal) No, only a partial closure.

Do we have new information about the traffic lights at the Girouard/Sherbrooke intersection?	(Ville de Montréal) The information has been given to the traffic lights team, which is planning a major reprogramming of the whole sector in relation to the work on the Turcot, Sherbrooke and Côte Saint-Antoine. We should have more information on November 18.
Will you increase security around the work on de Maisonneuve Boulevard?	(Ville de Montréal) There is a police presence at each new phase but not during the entire work period.
As for the new tenders, will they be done with companies that have already obtained the AMF certificate?	(Ville de Montréal) Yes, it's what we want to do.
(Terry O'Malley) Will the work affect the 420 bus?	(Ville de Montréal) I don't have the answer. There are no representatives of the STM here to respond.

Presentation of work at the Glen site

Presentation by Chantal Sorel

The trees we spoke about during the last committee meeting were planted in the fall. The Block F concrete has been painted, and the paint on the lower part is anti-graffiti. Metal bars have been installed where a metallic panel will go up later. There is no more parking on the north side of the plaza because we can now use the indoor parking in Block G. We will free up the space to prepare for work on the plaza in the spring. The yellow metallic panels of the Montreal Children's Hospital have also been installed. Work is going well on the inside; the telecommunications workers are completing the cabling, the wiring and the installation of WiFi antennas. The drywall is up in the atrium, and the scaffolding has been removed. Lastly, work has begun to install the built-in furniture.

Discussion period:

ISSUE	ANSWER
(Peter McQueen) Regarding the Vendôme metro, will you provide access ramps?	(Pierre Major) The funding issue is in the hands of the Quebec government, and it will be their decision.
(Peter McQueen) When will the plaza elevator be ready?	(Ms. Sorel) The work will be completed in the fall of 2014.
When can we visit?	(Ms. Sorel) It is still a construction site, so visits must be limited.

Ministère des Transports du Québec presentation (Martin Giroux)

Work is underway on the Turcot Interchange. The 15 north ramp to highway 20 west will be open starting Sunday. The ramp from Toronto to the Champlain Bridge is closed. Our goal is still to open it before the winter, but it's complicated because of the recovery against the surety bond. Repair work on the Ville-Marie Expressway continues. The Greene entrance to the 720 is closed until December. Also, two of three lanes on Atwater Avenue are closed only on the weekends, until mid-November. As for the Turcot Interchange, de Carillon Avenue was closed on September 16 because of work and other construction will be done over the next few years. We called for tenders for the redevelopment contract for Saint-Jacques/Pullman/Saint-Rémi Streets, but the contractor has to obtain AMF certification; we are waiting for permits. We will post the call for tenders for the Saint-Jacques bridge contract soon.

Discussion period:

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(Louise Fournier) When will you open the access to highway 15 south from Girouard Avenue.	(Martin Giroux) It will open soon.
(Peter McQueen) Will we know the details of the awarding of the contract for the Saint-Jacques bridge on November 18?	(Martin Giroux) It's possible, but it depends on the bidding process.
Does the model of the Turcot project at the Saint-Zotique centre still represent the project?	(Martin Giroux) There are more up-to-date plans on the Turcot project website.

AMT presentation (Alexandre Eyquem)

We are currently replacing the CP railway signalling infrastructure. There are six locations to do by December 2013. We are no longer working at night on the concrete bases. However, we have no choice but to work at night on the construction of the impact wall at the Grand Boulevard pedestrian overpass. This work will not affect car and bicycle traffic.

Shriners Hospitals for Children presentation (Robert Nadeau and Emmanuelle Rondeau)

The work to hook up the drainage system from the Shriners to the sewer system on St. Jacques Street is now completed. St. Jacques Street has been reopened in our sector. As expected, the structural concrete work will end in December or the beginning of January. The foundation walls have also been completed. The exterior work will also start in November. There are about 100 workers on the site, and the work is expected to end July 2015. On September 22, 1,000 people attended a cornerstone ceremony. We are in discussions with the

Montreal Children's Hospital to share certain services. As for equipment, we will mainly install new equipment, rather than material from elsewhere.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday, November 18, at 7 p.m.