



MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF POINTE-CLAIRE, HELD AT CITY HALL, 451 SAINT-JEAN BOULEVARD, POINTE-CLAIRE, QUEBEC, ON **TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2021**, AT 7:00 P.M., AFTER DUE NOTICE WAS TRANSMITTED ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2021.

PRESENT: Councillors C. Homan, T. Stainforth and K. Thorstad-Cullen, as well as Councillors P. Bissonnette, C. Cousineau, B. Cowan, E. Stork and D. Webb, chaired by His Worship Mayor John Belvedere forming a quorum of council.

Mr. Robert-F. Weemaes, City Manager, as well as Mtre Caroline Thibault, City Clerk and Director of Legal Affairs, are also in attendance.

Mayor Belvedere welcomes everyone present to this special meeting for the adoption of the City of Pointe-Claire's Three-Year Capital Investment Program.

2021-522 APPROVAL – AGENDA

It is moved by Councillor Cousineau,
Seconded by Councillor Bissonnette, and unanimously

RESOLVED: TO approve the agenda that has been prepared for this meeting, without modification.

Statement by Mayor Belvedere concerning the 2022, 2023 and 2024 Three-year Program of Capital Expenditures.

The municipal budget, which is usually adopted at the same time as the CIP, will be presented at an extraordinary meeting in December.

Adopting the CIP this evening allows our teams to go forward with funding applications to the Ministère des Affaires municipales et de l'Habitation and launch tendering processes earlier to obtain more competitive pricing for projects to be carried out next year, particularly in the area of municipal infrastructure.

The CIP reference document can be found on the City's website, on the Council Meetings page. The final version, which will be adopted this evening, will be posted on the Budget page tomorrow.

In 2022, we plan to continue to invest in major projects that will benefit the entire community, including repairs to several streets, improvements to City buildings, parks and green spaces, and enhancements to community services.

In terms of improving municipal infrastructure, we are planning repairs to six streets: Aurora, Wilton, de Windward Crescent south, Chanteclerc (in partnership with Dorval and the Ville de Montréal), Bancroft, and Des Sources Boulevard near Highway 40, under an agreement to come with the Réseau express métropolitain.

In addition, in connection with the work being done by the Ministère des Transports on the Des Sources overpass above Highway 20, we plan to begin work on the pedestrian bridge next year.

In terms of infrastructure work and in anticipation of future reconstruction projects in the Pointe-Claire Village, we also plan to carry out archaeological digs on Sainte-Anne and Saint-Joachim, following those carried out on Demers avenue this summer. These streets are part of the La pointe-Claire heritage site, which is an area of archaeological interest. This research is intended to continue the documentation efforts to reconstruct the past, in accordance with the Cultural Heritage Act, and is required before any work can be done.

In terms of municipal buildings, we plan to keep on investing in the City's buildings in order to continue to meet today's needs and standards.

As far as parks and green spaces, we plan to replace the two synthetic surfaces at Terra-Cotta Park, which are at the end of their useful life, with new synthetic surfaces.

A synthetic surface provides 1,300 hours of activity per year, whereas a grass field provides 225 hours. These fields are very popular and meet the needs of the associations.

An amount will be earmarked for the construction of a new park in the Walton area. In 2022, it is planned to add lighting along the pathway between the houses and the park, add a fence, plant about 15 trees and green the area. We hope to hold consultations next year to allow citizens to make choices about the developments they would like to see at this location for 2023.

We also plan to add a mini-splash pad at Augusta Park. Soil testing was conducted this year at the site to assess its quality. Our teams are currently planning the next steps, which involve finalizing the development plan and launching the call for tenders before the end of 2021. At the Tony-Proudfoot Park in Quartier Greenwich, we plan on adding accessible washrooms to enhance the service offer at this park, which has been very popular since it opened last year.

We will also continue to extend the bike network with bike link on Aurora Avenue.

A pathway will then be built to connect Masson and Alston avenues in Quartier Greenwich. Lighting and landscaping are also planned. It is important to note that this space must be kept clear to allow access for emergency vehicles at all times.

In terms of vehicles, next year we aim to replace two wheel loaders, a detachable blower, two dump trucks and a mechanical broom, for which our teams are looking at the possibility of acquiring an electric mechanical broom.

Our teams are also planning to replace the Inspection – Public Security vehicles with a hybrid option. These new, more eco-friendly vehicles would be added to the fleet of ten electric and hybrid vehicles already used by the various teams on a daily basis.

In terms of street lighting, approximately 30% of street, park and parking lot lighting that can be converted to LED will be converted by the end of 2021. Starting in the spring of 2022, the remainder of the streetlights will also be converted to LED, and all of this new lighting will be equipped with intelligent control systems.

These capital projects are carried out in addition to the City's regular operations, in order to maintain the quality of our infrastructure and equipment, as well as the range and quality of services that make up the very essence of life in Pointe-Claire.

In 2022, we will continue to make the most of the grant programs available to us for infrastructure work from the federal and provincial governments. Over the past five years, Pointe-Claire will have benefitted from nearly \$11 million in various grants.

Our priorities remain:

- *a pleasant, quality and safe living environment for all our citizens;*
- *administrative rigour;*
- *a varied public service offering.*

Presentation by Mr. Daniel Séguin, Treasurer and Director of the Finance Department.

2021-523 QUESTION PERIOD

Questions are submitted to the members of Council by the persons indicated below concerning the following subjects:

Mr. Barry Christensen :

- Rochon Plumbing building;
- Projects for Valois Village.

Mrs. Patricia Boyer :

- Extension of Hermitage Avenue ;
- Parks and green spaces;
- The YMCA.

Mrs. Geneviève Lussier :

- Parks and green spaces;
- Extension of Hermitage Avenue, the REM project and Fairview Forest.

Mr. Eric Paradis :

- Bob Birnie Arena ;

