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VMR AURAIT DES « DÉCISIONS DIFFICILES » À FAIRE EN FORMULANT LE BUDGET 2024



Selon le maire de VMR Peter Malouf, le conseil municipal aurait des « décisions difficiles » à faire en formulant le budget 2024 qui serait présenté en décembre.

Photo : Martin C. Barry, La Poste de VMR

MARTIN C. BARRY

Bien que le budget municipal de Ville Mont-Royal ne serait présenté qu'en décembre, le maire Peter Malouf affirmait au cours de la séance du conseil du 17 octobre que l'exercice financier pour l'année 2024 pourrait inclure des « décisions difficiles ».

« Comme toutes les autres villes, nous sommes en processus budgétaire et passons de longues heures avec l'administration en réunion en vue d'adopter un budget réaliste répondant aux besoins des Monteroises et Monterois et répondant à leurs capacités de payer », le maire Malouf indiquait dans son rapport mensuel qu'il livrait vers le début de la séance dans la salle Schofield à l'hôtel de ville.

« Il va sans le dire que des décisions difficiles

devront être prises », ajoutait le maire sans indiquer une date exacte de la présentation du budget.

Au cours de la période de questions des citoyens, Marc Desjardins de l'avenue Balfour rappelait au maire qu'à l'occasion de la présentation du budget 2023 l'an dernier, « bon nombre de vos citoyens vous ont fait part qu'ils se sentaient injustement surtaxés, surtout s'ils étaient des occupants de bâtiments résidentiels de cinq unités ou plus », lançait-il.

Il demandait, « Est-ce que vous allez profiter du fait que vous allez voter un nouveau budget pour faire cesser cette injustice qui est portée injustement par des gens qui ont le malheur d'habiter de petites surfaces? Et surtout quand on voit qu'avec votre grande qualité d'administrateur, vous avez généré avec les argents qui ont été prélevés des citoyens des surplus assez importants dans les dernières



Marc Desjardins, qui est propriétaire de plusieurs bâtiments multirésidentiels à VMR.

Photo : Martin C. Barry, La Poste de VMR

années ».

Répondant à ce dernier, qui est propriétaire de plusieurs bâtiments d'appartements à VMR, le maire reconnaissait que les propriétaires ont vécu une période d'ajustement à cause d'un facteur qui a été utilisé par la municipalité pour calculer le niveau de taxe foncière sur les bâtisses.

« En même temps, on a tous vécu des augmentations d'évaluations des résidences unifamiliales et multifamiliales, ajoutait le maire. Alors, regrettamment c'était un impact un peu plus fort sur les propriétaires qui gèrent une entreprise à profit, et je comprends que vous passez ces augmentations à vos locataires d'une manière ou d'une autre ».

L'an dernier, l'administration de VMR inscrivait au budget une augmentation de 6,92 % du compte d'impôt foncier pour les contribuables

possédant une maison unifamiliale moyenne de 1941400 \$, ce qui était l'équivalent d'une hausse de 617 \$ sur la facture moyenne.

Cependant, la taxe imposée sur les bâtiments résidentiels de six unités et plus avait le résultat de hausser les loyers des locataires d'appartements en montants substantiels.

Summary

Although the town's next budget won't be tabled until December, Mayor Peter Malouf suggested during the Oct. 17 meeting of town council that the 2024 financial exercise could include some "tough decisions."

In the meantime, at least one local apartment building owner, Marc Desjardins of Balfour Ave, told the mayor he is concerned as to whether the town will provide some relief for owners and tenants in next year's budget.

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ASSEMBLÉE PUBLIQUE LE 1ER NOVEMBRE 2023 : PROJET DE RÈGLEMENT N°1441-12 ET N°1435-3

Conformément à la Loi sur l'aménagement et l'urbanisme (RLRQ, chapitre A-19.1), le maire expliquera le contenu du projet de règlement n°1441-12 modifiant le règlement de zonage n°1441 en ce qui a trait aux piscines et le contenu du projet de règlement n°1435-3 modifiant le règlement n°1435 régissant la démolition des immeubles en ce qui a trait au tarif pour une demande de certificat d'autorisation de démolition au cours d'une assemblée publique qui aura lieu le mercredi 1er novembre 2023, à 17 h 30 au 90, avenue Roosevelt, Mont-Royal.

PUBLIC MEETING ON NOVEMBER 1, 2023: DRAFT BY-LAW No.1441-12 AND No.1435-3

In accordance with the Land Use Planning and Development Act (CQLR, Chapter A-19.1) the Mayor will explain the object of the draft by-law No. 1441-12 to amend zoning by-law No. 1441 with respect to swimming pool enclosures and of the draft by-law No. 1435-3 to amend by-law No. 1435 with respect to the demolition of immovables with regard to the fee for an application for a demolition permit during a public meeting on Wednesday, November 1, 2023, at 17:30 at 90, Roosevelt Avenue, Mount Royal.

FESTIVAL D'HALLOWEEN DE VMR

Le dimanche 29 octobre 2023, un festival d'Halloween sera organisé au parc Connaught de 11 h 30 à 15 h. Venez nous rejoindre pour plusieurs activités et participez au concours familial de sculpture de citrouille pour gagner des prix!

<https://www.ville.mont-royal.qc.ca/fr/node/12992>

TMR HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL

On Sunday, October 29 2023, a Halloween Festival will be held in Connaught Park from 11:30 to 15:00. Come join us for multiple activities and participate in the family pumpkin carving competition to win prizes!

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ALERTE AU NERPRUN CATHARTIQUE ET AUTRES VÉGÉTAUX ENVAHISSANTS!

S'appropriant toutes les ressources du sol, le nerprun cathartique nuit gravement aux autres espèces environnantes. Pour éviter cette situation indésirable, il est préférable de le couper ou de l'arracher en prenant soin de bêcher la terre afin d'éliminer les racines restantes dans le sol et remplacer par des plantes compétitrices.

<https://www.ville.mont-royal.qc.ca/fr/node/4833>

BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR THE COMMON BUCKTHORN AND OTHER INVASIVE PLANTS!

Exploiting all the resources of the soil, the common buckthorn severely affects other nearby species. To avoid this undesirable situation, it is preferable to cut the plant down or pull it out and then to turn the soil and remove any remaining roots.

<https://www.ville.mont-royal.qc.ca/en/node/4836>

RAPPEL : CIRCULATION EN VÉLO INTERDITE AU PARC CONNAUGHT

La Ville de Mont-Royal vous rappelle qu'il est interdit de circuler en vélo dans le parc Connaught. Les cyclistes doivent marcher à côté de leur vélo une fois dans le parc.

Renseignements : 514-734-4666 (Sécurité publique)

REMINDER: BIKING IS PROHIBITED AT CONNAUGHT PARK

The Town of Mount Royal reminds you that biking is prohibited in Connaught Park. Cyclists must walk beside their bikes once in the park.

Information: 514 734-4666 (Public Security)

CURLING 101 ENTRE FEMMES 2023

Le « Curling 101 entre femmes » est un programme de 8 semaines consacré aux femmes souhaitant découvrir le curling et pratiquer une activité physique.

Ce seront donc 8 sessions d'environ 2h30 qui formeront le curling 101 entre femmes, les mercredis de 10 h à 12 h 30, du 18 octobre au 6 décembre 2023.

Pour plus d'informations et pour les inscriptions, visitez;

<https://www.ville.mont-royal.qc.ca/fr/node/12968>

CURLING 101 FOR WOMEN 2023

Curling 101 for women is the first ever learn-to-curl course for women, taught by women and tailor-made for women.

In total, each session will take approximately 2.5 hours on Wednesdays from 10:00 to 12:30, from October 18 to December 6, 2023.

For more information and registration, visit;

<https://www.ville.mont-royal.qc.ca/en/node/12969>

COLLECTE DES MATIÈRES ORGANIQUES : BAC VERT OU BRUN

Les résidents peuvent recourir au bac vert ou brun pour la collecte des matières organiques. Vous êtes tenus de déposer un seul bac en bordure de rue, au choix. Il est important de savoir que seuls les bacs homologués « Ville de Mont-Royal » seront ramassés.

ORGANIC WASTE COLLECTION: GREEN OR BROWN BIN

Residents can use either the green or brown bin for organic waste collection. You are required to place only one bin of your choice on the curbside. It is important to note that only the bins with "Ville de Mont-Royal" stamped on them will be picked up.

INTERDICTION DE NOURRIR LES ANIMAUX SAUVAGES

Rappel : il est interdit de nourrir les animaux non domestiques tels que les goélands, pigeons, écureuils ou corneilles. Les mangeoires d'oiseaux sont permises, mais selon certaines restrictions.

L'article 68 du Règlement n° 1380 sur la salubrité, la sécurité, la paix et l'ordre stipule que quiconque contrevient au règlement s'expose à une amende minimale de 150 \$ plus les frais, pour une première infraction.

Renseignements : 514-734-4666 (Sécurité publique)

BAN ON FEEDING WILDLIFE

We remind you that it is forbidden to feed non-domestic animals such as gulls, pigeons, squirrels and crows. Please note that bird feeders are allowed, though certain restrictions apply.

Section 68 of By-law No. 1380 Concerning Sanitation, Safety, Peace and Order stipulates that anyone who contravenes the by-law is liable to a fine of at least \$150 plus fees for a first offence.

Information: 514 734-4666 (Public Security)

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JOUR DU SOUVENIR

Quand : Dimanche 5 novembre 2023, à 13 h

Où : Au parc de la Paix (en face de l'hôtel de ville)

La Ville de Mont-Royal organise, en collaboration avec les Scouts et les Guides, la cérémonie du jour du Souvenir. Nous espérons que vous serez nombreux à venir honorer les hommes et les femmes canadiens qui ont risqué leur vie pour préserver la paix, la liberté et la démocratie.

Après la cérémonie, un concert sera donné par le 306 (Maple Leaf) Wing Concert Band.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

When: Sunday, November 5, 2023 at 13:00

Where: At Peace Park (across from the Town Hall)

The Town of Mount Royal is preparing, in cooperation with the Scouts and Girl Guides, the Remembrance Day Ceremony. We hope that many of you will come to honour the Canadian men and women who risked their lives to preserve peace, freedom and democracy.

Also, after the ceremony, a concert will be held by the 306 (Maple Leaf) Wing Concert Band.

VILLE DE MONT-ROYAL



TOWN OF MOUNT ROYAL



TOWN BAN ON GAS-POWERED LEAF BLOWERS TAKES EFFECT IN JANUARY 2025

MARTIN C. BARRY

At their regular meeting on Oct. 17, the members of TMR town council served notice they will be acting as soon as next month to pass a new by-law to ban the use of gas-powered leaf blowers beginning in January 2025.

Bans on gas-powered leaf blowers are increasingly the norm across the island of Montreal. The boroughs of Outremont, Côte-des-Neiges/NDG, Ville-Marie and Sud-Ouest have all banned gas-powered leaf blowers, as has the Town of Montreal West, the City of Westmount and more than 100 cities across the U.S.

In addition, California has instituted a state-wide ban, and Canada's largest cities have passed or are looking at by-laws to ban gas leaf blowers. The town says the objective of its own gas leaf blower ban is to reduce noise pollution and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

Every year, according to TMR officials, the town receives numerous complaints about the noise caused by gas-powered leaf-blowers. In addition to producing annoying noise levels, their two-stroke engines are considered highly polluting and harmful to the health of residents.

Council members are expected to adopt the



From Oct. 1 to Jun. 15, leaf blowers, including electric, may only be used after 7:00 am and before 8 pm from Monday to Friday, and after 10:00 am and before 4 pm on Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays.

Photo: Martin C. Barry, TMR Poste

ban through by-law 1380-17 at their next regular public meeting on November 21, although it will not take effect more than a year from now.

Town officials say that by allowing a delay of just over a year before the by-law comes

into effect, they want to give residents and landscaping contractors as well as TMR's technical services personnel sufficient time to acquire electric equipment or other less-polluting alternatives.

The adoption of the amendments in no way alters the periods during which the use of leaf blowers is currently permitted in TMR. According to article 4 of by-law 1380, the use of leaf blowers is forbidden at all times between June 15 and Sept. 30, except for tree cutting or pruning by the town or a specialized contractor.

From Oct. 1 to June 15, leaf blowers may only be used after 7:00 am and before 8 pm from Monday to Friday, and after 10:00 am and before 4 pm on Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays.

In virtually all regions where gas-powered leaf blower bans have taken effect or are planned, the driving force is evidence that gas-powered leaf blowers carry a heavy environmental toll. Compared to car engines that have become more energy efficient over time, the engines in leaf blowers have not evolved significantly.

Résumé

Lors de la séance ordinaire du conseil municipal de VMR du 17 octobre, le conseil donnait un avis de motion visant à interdire l'utilisation des souffleuses à feuilles à moteur à essence sur le territoire de la ville à partir du 1er janvier 2025.

Cette mesure vise notamment à diminuer la pollution sonore et les émissions des gaz à effet de serre (GES) dans la cité-jardin.

Communiqué officiel

CHANGEMENT DE RÈGLEMENT À MONT-ROYAL

POLLUTION PAR LE BRUIT ET DES GES : LA VILLE DE MONT-ROYAL INTERDIRA LES SOUFFLEUSES À FEUILLES À MOTEUR À ESSENCE SUR SON TERRITOIRE À PARTIR DE 2025

Mont-Royal, le 18 octobre 2023 – C'est lors de sa séance ordinaire du 17 octobre que le conseil municipal de la Ville de Mont-Royal a donné un avis de motion visant à interdire l'utilisation des souffleuses à feuilles à moteur à essence sur le territoire de la ville à partir du 1er janvier 2025. Cette mesure vise notamment à diminuer la pollution sonore et les émissions des gaz à effet de serre (GES) dans la cité-jardin.

L'avis de motion qui a pour but de modifier le Règlement n° 1380 sur la salubrité, la sécurité, la paix et l'ordre réaffirme l'engagement de la Ville envers la préservation de la qualité de vie de ses résidents et la protection de l'environnement. En effet, chaque année, la Ville reçoit de nombreuses plaintes reliées au bruit causé par les souffleuses à feuilles à moteur essence. En plus de produire des niveaux sonores agressants dans le voisinage, ces équipements munis d'un moteur à deux-temps, sont très polluants et néfastes pour la santé des résidents. D'ailleurs, particulièrement soucieux de ce dernier aspect, les élus ont l'intention de poursuivre plus largement leur réflexion sur l'utilisation de tous les équipements d'entretien paysager à petits moteurs à essence, ceux-ci ayant un effet considérablement négatif dans un contexte urbain.

L'adoption par les membres du conseil du Règlement n° 1380-17 est prévue lors de la séance ordinaire du 21 novembre prochain, alors que celui-ci prendra effet seulement le 1er janvier 2025. En laissant un délai d'un peu plus d'un an avant l'entrée en vigueur du règlement modifié, la Ville veut accorder une période suffisante à ses résidents, aux entrepreneurs paysagistes opérant sur son territoire ainsi qu'aux Services techniques de VMR, pour se doter d'équipements électriques ou autres alternatives moins polluantes.

L'adoption des modifications au Règlement n° 1380 et son entrée en vigueur le 1er janvier 2025 ne modifieront en rien les périodes où l'utilisation de souffleuses à feuilles est permise actuellement dans la ville. Rappelons

que selon l'article 4 du Règlement n° 1380, du 15 juin au 30 septembre, il est interdit d'utiliser en tout temps une souffleuse à feuilles sauf lors de travaux d'abattage ou d'émondage d'arbre effectués par la Ville ou par un entrepreneur spécialisé, et que, du 1er octobre au 15 juin, il est seulement possible d'utiliser ces appareils après 7 h et avant 20 h du lundi au vendredi et après 10 h et avant 16 h les samedis, dimanche et les jours fériés.

REDUCING NOISE POLLUTION AND GHGS: THE TOWN OF MOUNT ROYAL WILL BAN GAS-POWERED LEAF BLOWERS ON ITS TERRITORY AS OF 2025

Mount Royal, October 18, 2023 - At its regular meeting on October 17, the Town Council of Mount Royal has given notice of motion to ban the use of gas-powered leaf blowers on the town's territory, as of January 1, 2025. The objective of this measure is to reduce noise pollution and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the garden city.

The purpose of this notice of motion is to amend the By-law No. 1380 concerning sanitation, safety, peace and order reaffirms the Town's commitment to preserving the quality of life of its residents and protecting the environment. Every year, the Town receives numerous complaints about the noise caused by gas-powered leaf-blowers. In addition to producing aggressive noise levels in the neighborhood, this two-stroke engine equipment is highly polluting and harmful to residents' health. Particularly concerned about this last aspect, the elected officials intend to pursue their reflection more broadly on the use of all landscape maintenance equipment with small gasoline engines, which have a notably negative effect in an urban context.

Council members are expected to adopt By-law 1380-17 at the regular meeting on November 21, although it will not take effect until January 1, 2025. By allowing a delay of just over a year before the by-law comes into force, the Town wishes to give its residents and landscaping contractors operating on its territory and TMR's Technical Services sufficient time to acquire electric equipment or other less-polluting alternatives.

The adoption of the amendments to By-law No. 1380 and its coming into force on January 1, 2025 will in no way alter the periods during which the use of leaf blowers is currently permitted in the town. According to article 4 of by-law 1380, from June 15 to September 30, the use of leaf blowers is forbidden at all times, except for tree cutting or pruning by the Town or a specialized contractor. From October 1 to

June 15, leaf blowers may only be used after 7:00 and before 20:00 from Monday to Friday, and after 10:00 and before 16:00 on Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays.

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LOCAL PREPARATIONS UNDERWAY FOR A FUN AND SAFE HALLOWEEN

MARTIN C. BARRY

Although Halloween is only next week, many Townies have been getting into a spooky and ghoulish mood since the beginning of this month at least.

Anyone taking a quick walk or drive around the town is be able to see that a good number of homeowners are already in the spirit of Halloween, which falls this year on Tuesday Oct. 31.

Halloween night and the weeks of preparation leading up to it can be very exciting for children of all ages. It's a special celebration shared with family, friends and community that offers a rare chance for a brisk night-time walk around the neighborhood.

The town's Public Security Dept. has issued the following list of recommendations for children and parents who plan to be out trick-or-treating door-to-door in TMR on Tuesday



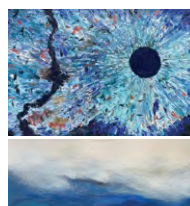
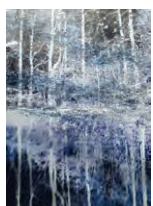
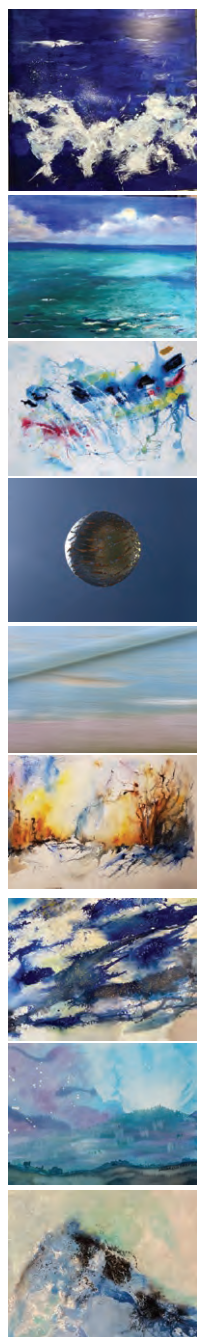
As seen in this photo taken at the front entrance of TMR town hall, town officials have been getting into the Halloween spirit this year along with many town residents.

Photo: Martin C. Barry, TMR Poste evening next week.

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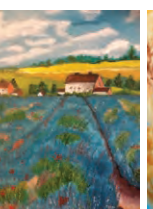
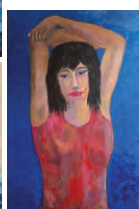
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- Wear reflective clothes or add reflective velcro bands to costumes and jackets.
- Wear Public Security orange bracelets that will be given out on Halloween by patrollers.
- Choose costumes that have bright colours.
- Visit houses that are well lit and do not enter a stranger's house.

INTERSECTIONS

- Cross the street at crosswalks or stop signs and avoid crossing in the middle of the street.
- Look both ways before crossing an intersection.
- Do not run, always walk.

DRIVERS

- Be extra vigilant around trick or treaters.
- Respect the rules of the road.
- Do not park illegally.
- Drive carefully and slowly.

CANDY

- Disinfect hands after handling candy.
- Parents always check candy before consumption for you or children.
- If candy wrapper is open, throw it away.

Public Security is available 24/7, so don't hesitate to contact them if necessary. Note: Public Security patrols will be ongoing throughout the night of Halloween to ensure the safety and security of all trick-or-treaters and their families.

As well, the Quebec branch of the Missing Children's Network (Réseau enfants-retour) offers the following advice to parents and children who plan on heading out to trick-or-treat next Tuesday.

Plan a trick-or-treating route in familiar neighbourhoods. Make sure to identify all the safe places where your children can seek help in case of an emergency.

Make sure your children know your cellphone number and address in case you get separated. For older children, consider giving them a cellphone so they can reach you easily.

Remind them not to text while walking or crossing the street.

Résumé

Des préparations pour la fête de l'Halloween ont commencé tôt cette année à VMR.

On peut voir ici et là, à travers la municipalité, qu'un bon nombre de foyers se préparent déjà pour le soir de l'halloween qui a lieu mardi prochain le 31 octobre.

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ON CHANGE DIFFÉREMENT DE PRÉVU

Bonjour à tous les citoyens de Ville Mont-Royal.

Je vous écris en ce Mardi 17 Octobre 2023 pour vous mettre au fait des derniers changements dans les médias de Ville Mont-Royal qui prendront effet au 1er Novembre de cette année.

Suite à l'interdiction du PubliSac dans plusieurs juridictions du Québec, Transcontinental Médias a décidé de complètement cesser la distribution cette année pour l'ensemble de Montréal, y compris dans les municipalités défusionnées. Devant cet état de fait, notre maison mère Stèle Médias Inc doit s'adapter ou disparaître comme l'ont fait La Presse et The Gazette dans les dernières années.

Initialement La/The Poste de VMR pensait s'intégrer au pamphlet collectif Raddar de Transcontinental Médias, au sein de multiples autres commerces et institutions.

Après consultation auprès de mes clients annonceurs et des lecteurs de la Ville, ce modèle fut jugé trop différent d'un journal traditionnel pour remplir la fonction voulue. Les gens voulaient un vrai papier de nouvelles, pas juste une circulaire commerciale avec une poignée de textes ajoutés.

Donc, nous avons conclu des ententes avec Transcontinental pour imprimer et Postes Canada pour la livraison. Ceci veut dire aussi que nous devons passer en format de papier 11" x 11" plié pour être passable dans les boîtes à lettres, donc des pages plus petites que traditionnelles.

Le changement de mode de distribution entrainera un effet directement visible car nous ne ferons plus de points de dépôt publics à partir du 27 Octobre 2023. Maintenir des dépôts indépendants entrainerait une distribution différente par une autre compagnie, donc d'importants frais pour garnir et nettoyer les présentoirs, ce qui n'est plus nécessaire étant donné la pénétration totale de Postes Canada qui rejoint 100% de toutes les adresses de la zone définie.

WWW.STELE-MEDIAS.COM - Un site web bien garni

J'en profite pour vous rappeler notre site web qui contiens trois années d'archives de tous nos journaux, disponible gratuitement à tous, et ce sans même avoir besoin d'un abonnement de courtoisie contrairement à la plupart des sites de nouvelles des grands réseaux. Nous allons continuer de mettre en-ligne toutes nos éditions, comme nous faisons depuis le début du Journal il y a 27 ans.

Nous allons aux cours des prochains mois travailler ardemment à convertir le site en application pour téléphones & tablettes, pour le rendre plus compatible sur la route. Nous espérons aussi commencer à mettre en ligne des entrevues et opinions en mode vidéo, en exclusivité séparée des articles écrits dans la version papier.

Ce changement est un choix fait sobrement, avec délibération, pour garantir que notre Journal continue de survivre et de se rendre aux mains des gens. Nous allons respecter les contrats établis pour 2023 et les augmentations de tarifs prévues se feront au 1er Janvier 2024, lors du renouvellement des ententes existantes, tant que les formats existent encore dans le nouveau modèle.

Les nouveaux formats papiers et dates de tombées sont effectifs dès le 27 Octobre 2023 pour notre première parution au nouveau format, qui est prévue au 1er Novembre 2023.

Les quatre nouveaux formats offerts seront

- Spread central 10" x 21" à 2,000\$ + tx
- Pleine page 10" x 10" à 1,200\$ + tx
- Demi-page 5" x 10" à 600\$ + tx
- Quart de page 5" x 5" à 300\$ + tx
- Agences nationales; Tarif à la ligne agate 1,50\$ (couleur incluse)
sur soumission approuvée

Les rabais de fréquence offerts seront

- Au moins 12 parutions = 10%
- Au moins 24 parutions = 20%
- Au moins 48 parutions = 30%

Veillez noter qu'à partir du Vendredi 27 Octobre, la date de tombée pour les articles et matériels visuels est effectivement le Vendredi avant 12h00pm (midi) car la nouvelle période d'impression est le Dimanche soir avant 16h00pm.

Nous espérons pouvoir continuer de vous servir en information et marketing dans la communauté Montéroise comme nous l'avons fait au cours des 27 années précédentes. Merci bien de votre support envers notre Journal.

Mes respects,
Pascal Richard, éditeur

**GREAT CHANGES AT THE
TMR POSTE FOR NOVEMBER 2023**

WE CHANGE DIFFERENTLY THAN ANTICIPATED

I wish a good day to all citizens of the Town of Mount Royal.

I am writing you on this Tuesday, October 17th of 2023, to inform you of the latest changes in the medias of Mount Royal, which will take effect on November 1st of this year.

Following the forbiddance of PubliSac in multiple jurisdictions of Québec, Transcontinental Medias has decided to completely cease all distribution this year for the entirety of the Greater Montreal region, including demerged municipalities. Faced with this state of affaires, our central company Stèle Médias Inc must adapt or disappear as have done La Presse and The Gazette in the last few years.

Initially, La/The TMR Poste thought to participate with the pamphlet Raddar from Transcontinental Medias, along multiple other commerces and institutions.

Following consultation with our advertising clients and the readers in Town, that model was judged too different from a traditional newspaper to fulfill the desired task. The People wanted a true newspaper, not a merchant flyer with a sprinkling of texts added as an afterthought.

Therefore, we have concluded new agreements with Transcontinental for printing and Canada Post for delivery. This will force us to adopt a paper format of 11" x 11" folded to be passible in the mail boxes, which means smaller pages than traditionally used in our medias.

The change to the distributing method will have a directly visible effect as we will no longer maintain public deposit points as of Friday October 27th of 2023. Maintaining any independant deposit points would need a separate delivery company with expensive costs to garnish & clean the displays. This deposit system is no longer necessary, given that Canada Post has a total penetration of 100% of addresses in the chosen zone.

WWW.STELE-MEDIAS.COM - A well garnished site

I will take advantage of the present message to remind you about our website, which contains three years of archives from all our newspapers, accessible to all free of charge, not even needing the curtesy subscription that has become common amongst the news sites of the great networks. We will continue to put online all our editions, as we have done since the beginning of the Post 27 years ago.

We will, in the coming months, work arduously to convert our site into an application for phones & tablets, to make it more compatible on the road. We hope to begin putting online video format interviews and opinion pieces as exclusivities separate from the articles contained in the paper version.

This change is a choice done soberly, with deliberation, to guarantee that our paper continues to survive and to reach the hands of people without inflating the costs to our advertisers. We will respect all current 2023 contracts, all rate raises will occur as of 2024 during the scheduled period for the renewal of agreements, so long as the formats still exist in the new layout.

The new paper version formats and deadlines are effective as October 27th of 2023 for our first edition in the new format, which will be distributed on November 1st of 2023.

The four new formats offert will be

- Center-Spread 10" x 21" at 2,000\$ + tx
- Full page 10" x 10" at 1,200\$ + tx
- Half-page 5" x 10" at 600\$ + tx
- Quarter-page 5" x 5" at 300\$ + tx
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Please noter that as of Friday October 27th, the deadline for all articles and advertising visuals is effectively on Friday before 12h00pm (noon) because the new period to print the newspaper is on the Sunday evening before 16h00pm.

We hope to be able to continue serving you in information and marketing across the Town of Mount Royal, just as we have done these last 27 years. We thank you for your support towards our newspaper.

My respects,
Pascal Richard, editor

ABOUT THE TMR TAXE HIKES

Darlene Cattiny, Brittany Avenue

At the council meeting on October 17, the mayor once again conflated rent increase percentages with property tax increase percentages. In response to a property owner of 6+ dwellings asking about the looming budget, he said tenants only paid on average 3.5% whereas homeowners paid an average 6.92%. Reality: That 3.5% is for a portion of our rent increase and is based on (in my building) a 45% property tax hike the landlord passed onto us in full. Much like the 4.5% portion of our rent increase set by the Tribunal Administratif du Logement (TAL) for heat this year was based on a 26.2% hike in gas. To paraphrase the property owner, it is very easy to manipulate numbers to fit your own agenda.

The mayor also keeps referring to his deep and detailed analysis of every 6+ dwelling in

TMR. According to him the more you pay in rent the less your percentage of property tax coming from the Town. This is not how it works when fixing the rent at the TAL. In fact it is the exact opposite. They take all of a landlord's revenues and expenses to calculate one percentage that is then applied to each tenant. The more a tenant pays in rent, the percentage paid in tax will be higher, not lower.

The new property evaluation roll is for three years: 2023-2024-2025. Tenants got hit hard in 2023 when evaluations jumped everywhere, because the mayor applied a much higher mill rate to 6+ dwellings. That shouldn't be a factor in 2024 unless he's planning to use a similar taxation model to fund his projects like his Class D estimated \$66.5 million sports center. He said they were still debating the budget but wouldn't rule it out which I find strange.

Tenants have unduly suffered and cannot afford another big hit. It is still a tight rental market with housing shortages. We do not profit from our landlords' businesses and should not be penalized because we rent in their buildings. The mayor built his disproportionate taxation model on his notion that landlords are business people who profit, and unlike homeowners can deduct their expenses and also have a choice whether to pass on their expenses or not. Reality: The TAL does not take into account profits or losses, deductions or expenses. If expenses can be proven like they can with the property tax it is accepted. As a businessman under the same circumstances what would he do? Choose to eat the tax?

Rather than doing his own analyses to justify his taxation model, he should look at the real impacts of his decision making. If an early judgement for a TMR building is

any precedent, tenants still waiting for their court dates will be disappointed based on the property tax. In that case one half of their rent increase is for property tax alone because of his disproportionate tax. Pure insanity. It would also be interesting to poll every tenant in TMR to see how many of their landlords chose not to pass on the property tax to them. My guess is not many.

In the October 17 council session, the mayor hinted about "difficult decisions that need to be made keeping in mind Townies' expectations and their capacity to pay." Ironically, despite all the factors he cited for having to use this extreme taxation model in the first place – like the unexpected aliquot share from the city – he still managed a surplus of over \$6 million. To even contemplate this extreme measure again – for any reason – on tenants' backs would be unconscionable.

Faith

WHAT'S 'GOLDEN' ABOUT THE GOLDEN YEARS?

Arnold Schwarzenegger, world body building champion, actor and politician, writes in his biography *BE USEFUL*, No. 1 Sunday Times bestseller: "It's funny that now when I look in a mirror I say: 'Look at that body! Look at those muscles that used to be firm and perky and really powerful, now they're just hanging there.' It's sad to see yourself getting older, and more and more out of shape. It's just that when you've been hailed for years as having the supreme body and then now you roll the clock forward 50 years and you don't see that anymore."

"It's like WOW! I never ever thought about that. I was 30 years old and never thought this is going to happen; that one time we're going to look at this body and it just sucks. It's hard to accept your humanity when you've been thought of as a superman. Just before I turned 50 I had heart surgery, and when I came out I felt that 'You're damaged goods, vulnerable'. Life is not the same anymore as when I was 30 years old when I could do anything, and you didn't have to think about anything. Now you have to think about having to warm up for this."

"Am I upset about it? No. Because there's nothing I can do about it. I just feel that as those challenges come my way I take them on. It's the only choice we have. The bottom line is: I'm 76 years old. I'm full of energy, full of enthusiasm. I'm as enthusiastic and excited as I was when I was 30 years old. I just always see mountains in front of me to be climbed. As long as I see those mountains I keep my enthusiasm, and I keep my excitement, fire in the belly, climbing and climbing and climbing, and that's what it's all about."

All of us can relate to Arnold's experience. There are stories told about "the golden years", the years after retirement, yet when we reach those years we ask: "Where's the gold?" We look wistfully at the energy, vitality and physical prowess of youth, and wonder where it all went.

Abbey Rhodes says, "Having recently retired I feel that I've just entered that 'golden years' period. The preview I've had leading up to these years has already given me certainty that the 'golden' adjective is empty. Each period of the human life has pros and cons. Older people have more financial security and greater freedom, commitments to children and

work are behind them, but to balance out these benefits - 'les hair, knee pain, more doctor visits, medicine, less physical attractiveness, and a prostate exam' - so, no, there's nothing golden about it. But, like the energy that fuels the fun and danger of youth, the history we know, our own and the world's, the lasting friendships we've made, the personal wisdom we've gained, are major assets. Plus, we're looking death in the face."

Susan Macaulay, who studied at Concordia University, says: "There are pros and cons to everything, including the stages of life. With the accumulation of years comes a depth and breadth that is only possible through living. When things get old (jewelry, furniture, clothing), they acquire a certain patina, a comfortability, a beauty that can only be attained with age. When I was young, in my teens, we used to wash our jeans over and over again to give them that faded look, that worn look that was so prized. We loved the rips and tears that were the mark of experiences. Now people buy jeans that are 'distressed'. It's not the same. The rips and tears and 'wearing out' a piece of clothing is like the acquisition of wisdom. It can't be bought like a pair of distressed jeans. It can't be faked; it can only be learned through adventure and living."

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It's fascinating that many of the great Biblical leaders emerged into greatness in their "golden years". Certainly that was the case with perhaps the greatest leader of the 20th century - Winston Churchill. Hitler had stormed all over Western Europe. France had fallen, the Czechs, Poles, Norwegians, Danes, Dutch, Belgians were under Hitler's heel. America was still uncommitted. The world waited for Hitler's next mad move. Then the radios around the globe heard Churchill in his historic speech on May 13, 1940:

"You ask 'What is our aim?' I can answer in one word: 'VICTORY'. Victory at all costs, victory in spite of all terror, victory however long and hard the road may be; for without victory there is no survival. I have nothing to offer you but blood, toil, sweat, and tears."

A few weeks later Churchill again spoke to the House and said, "Let us therefore brace ourselves to our duties, and so bear ourselves that, if the British Empire and its Commonwealth lasts a thousand years, men will say, 'This was their finest hour.'"

Can there be a higher accolade given us of whom it can be said, as we face our highest challenges in ageing: "This was their finest hour!" That's the gold!

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2,850,000\$



82 Balfour

Emplacement de choix dans un voisinage paisible et verdoyant tout en étant à distance de marche de la station REM et des commerces du centre.. Cette maison au style Tudor est un véritable trésor qui allie charme, espace et confort. Magnifique fenestration qui vous fait profiter des vues extérieures sans vis-à-vis. Un intérieur au plan agréable avec vivoir attenant à la cuisine. Avec sa grande piscine, son coin aire de jeu isolé, et sa vaste terrasse en bois, ce jardin offre une harmonie parfaite entre détente, divertissement et convivialité. Une visite vous la fera apprécier davantage!

2,549,000\$



7352 Canora

Aménagement intérieur unique et repensé par un architecture avec un rez-de-chaussée décloisonné aux finitions contemporaines. Aires de vie lumineuses et tout l'espace souhaité pour le confort de votre famille grandissante avec salle familiale au RDC. Entretien minutieux qui vous assure la paix d'esprit. Jardin hyper privé aménagé pour agrémenter vos réceptions avec son espace terrasse et sa piscine creusée. Orientation ouest pour le soleil en après-midi. Localisation pratique à quelques pas du REM, près de l'UdeM, bus, et l'école St-Clément.

1,349,000\$



1325 Scarboro

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Elegant and spacious plan, renovated kitchen and cozy garden level den. 2 car garage, inground pool, walking distance to center of town.

\$3,150,000



89 Graham

Clé en main! Impeccable et entretenue avec soin pour la paix d'esprit. Chambre principale avec walk-in et salle de bain au design tendance. Cuisine moderne à aire ouverte sur les pièces de réception et salle de jeux agréable et lumineuse pour vos enfants. Jardin soigné, garage + 2 entrées distinctes.

1,298,000\$

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