

# JACQUES CARTIER BRIDGE GOOD NEIGHBOURLY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Update on work on the Jacques Cartier Bridge (Montreal sector)

#### **MINUTES**

Meeting held November 28, 2017 (7:00 p.m.)
Centre St-Pierre, 1212 Panet Street, Montreal, QC H2L 2Y7

## Representatives present

THE JACQUES CARTIER AND CHAMPLAIN BRIDGES INCORPORATED (JCCBI)

- + Manon Leroux, Director, Projects
- + Julie Paquet, Director, Communications
- + José-Luis Mosquera, Engineer, Construction
- + Vincent Guimont-Hébert, Engineer, Environment and Corporate Social Responsibility
- + Cathy Beauséjour, Communications Advisor

#### CONSORTIUM WSP-CIMA+ (WSC)

- + Yannick Lafleur, Site Supervisor
- + Guy Lemay, Site Supervisor

#### VILLE DE MONTRÉAL (VdM)

- + Pierre-André Volcy, Noise Control Technician, Permits and Inspection Division
- + Céline Provost, Communications

# SPVM - POSTE DE QUARTIER CENTRE-SUD (SPVM)

+ Christophe Van-Eyck, Officer, Poste de quartier 22

#### SENTIER URBAIN

+ Pierre Dénommé, Executive Director

#### SPECTRE DE RUE

+ Pascal Chalifoux, Street Worker

#### Meeting called to order

#### INTRODUCTION BY JULIE PAQUET

The moderator called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. She went over the committee's mandate and the goals of the meeting, which is to provide an update on completed and planned work and present partnerships with the community. The meeting also provides a platform for discussion.

The panelists introduced themselves to the committee members and residents.

#### **Updates on work**

PRESENTATION BY MANON LEROUX (Manon Leroux's full presentation is available on the Citizen Forum page at <a href="https://www.JacquesCartierChamplain.ca">www.JacquesCartierChamplain.ca</a>)

Manon Leroux presented the upcoming work on the steel structure of the Jacques Cartier Bridge between Sainte-Catherine Street and De Maisonneuve Boulevard. She indicated the contractor's work areas on a map.

She explained that the contract had just been awarded to the contractor, who would start in mid-December. No work will be done during the holidays. In January, the contractor will complete the start-up and begin the preparatory work to install the acoustic enclosures. Starting in late February, the work area should be protected by an acoustic enclosure until the end of the work in January 2019. Manon Leroux gave an overview of the work to be carried out.

She went over the noise management measures that will be applied during the construction, which will begin soon. These measures are based on the readings taken from sound level meters installed during the work done in 2016-2017.

She said that more sensitive areas have been identified and that sound level meters will be installed at two locations near the work site. She went on to describe the noise mitigation measures that will be put in place. She also presented cross-sections of the bridge, acoustic enclosures and acoustic panels that are part of the contract. She explained that JCCBI has added a lot more noise management requirements to the contract. She then showed a model demonstrating the difference in the impact on noise with the planned noise mitigation measures compared to when no measures are in place.

She then presented the schedule for night work and the traffic restrictions on the bridge and local network, e.g., De Maisonneuve, Campion, Viger and Notre-Dame.

Manon Leroux also gave an update on the fences that are currently being installed near two residences close to last year's work site.

## **Discussion period**

QUESTION	ANSWER
Leo Pelletier asked whether the acoustic enclosures had already been installed in Longueuil.	The work has just started and the enclosures will be installed in Longueuil by the end of January. An update will be given at the Good Neighbourly Relations Committee meeting in February.
Leo Pelletier asked whether new images were available for the development project under the bridge and asked when the work would be carried out.	Julie Paquet stated that they are preparing the calls for tenders for the designers. We are still aiming to start the work for this project in 2020.
Jean Bernard Gingras would like JCCBI to make its contractors aware of the nuisance caused by the alarms of night delivery trucks backing up. He also asked that attention be paid to how the lights are set up on the site to avoid glare for the people who live nearby. He added that he has frequently complained to the Ville de Montréal about the lighting at the skatepark.	Pierre-André Volcy said that vehicles can have alarms that aren't as loud.  Guy Lemay said that quieter back-up alarms can be used for night work, as there was a recent change to the CNESST standards. These requirements have been included in the contractor's noise management plan. He added that attention will be paid to how the lights are set up at the site.  Céline Provost said that she will follow up with Mr. Gingras about lighting in the skatepark.
Jean Bernard Gingras asked whether the steel work is part of the development project for the Ville de Montréal.	Julie Paquet stated that the current steel work on the structure of the bridge is being done by JCCBI. She said that JCCBI also has a project to create a park under the bridge but that these two projects are not part of the work being done by the Ville de Montréal.  Céline Provost said that the Ville de Montréal's project is waiting for the orientations from the new city council.
Leo Pelletier asked whether JCCBI's development project will also be affected by the new city council.	Julie Paquet said that, for the moment, it is not.

Victor Balsis asked whether the staircase presented at the last committee meeting will be done in 2020 or this fall as planned.	Julie Paquet said that the project will not be done this fall. JCCBI is currently reviewing the project.
Leo Pelletier and Victor Balsis asked whether there would be more consultations on the city's development work and when we could expect to get news about this.	Céline Provost said that more information about the project should be available in April.
A resident asked for more to be done to keep pedestrians safe at the intersection of Sainte-Catherine and De Lorimier. A discussion followed with several other people.	Céline Provost will follow up on the complaint from this resident.

# **Updates on partnerships**

End-of-season update: Sentier urbain PRESENTATION BY PIERRE DÉNOMMÉ

Pierre Dénommé explained that Sentier urbain is a social greening organization that works with marginalized populations. One of the gardens created by the organization is located on JCCBI land northwest of De Maisonneuve Boulevard, near the Jacques Cartier Bridge. Sentier urbain has worked in partnership with JCCBI for six years. Mr. Dénommé said that he is proud of the resulting transformation and social involvement.

Activities take place in this area from May to October, between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. A committee of three residents is responsible for opening hours and site security.

During the last season, Sentier urbain hosted employee motivation, resident engagement, and entrepreneurial volunteer activities. A partnership with the TAPAJ program led to different types of work over 25 weeks.

Young staff members at the Quartier nourricier greenhouse helped maintain the plant nursery and reorganize the production garden. They were involved in developing the garden, for example, by building a pond and creating a potted vegetable garden/orchard.

The planting goals of the EcoAction Community Funding Program were largely achieved with the planting of 60 trees and shrubs and 474 perennials.

The production project is gaining momentum. A number of shrubs from the Biopolis plant nursery were planted in the gardens and used for other greening projects. This growing space provides interesting/productive workspaces throughout the season. The production garden was partially redeveloped to optimize the space.

Overall, 77 activities were carried out at the Biopolis nursery this summer between June 27 and August 31 with 1350 children. Nature class activities were also conducted in winter and fall 2017 with 170 students.

# Meeting adjourned

The committee meeting ended at 8:00 p.m. The meeting minutes will be available from JCCBI's website at www.JacquesCartierChamplain.ca on the Citizen Forum page.

The next committee meeting will be held on February 6, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., at the Centre St-Pierre.

For any questions in the meantime, residents, business owners and users can contact JCCBI at:

- + 450-651-8771
- + communications@pjcci.ca

To stay informed about the work, people can register for the "Jacques Cartier" alert via JCCBI's website or follow us on Twitter @pontJCBridge.

Residents will receive a notice in the mail when more information about the work schedule becomes available.

# Optional workshop by Spectre de rue PRESENTATION BY PASCAL CHALIFOUX

People at the meeting were invited to stay for the training session on issues related to used syringes and drug addiction given by Pascal Chalifoux, a street worker from Spectre de rue. A number of people stayed for this very interesting workshop on how to better deal with the presence of drug addicts in their neighbourhoods.