

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL HELD ON
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016, AT 5801 CAVENDISH BOULEVARD,
CÔTE SAINT-LUC, AT 7:50 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Acting Mayor Dida Berku, B.C.L., presiding
Councillor Mike Cohen, B.A.
Councillor Steven Erdelyi, B.Sc., B.Ed.
Councillor Ruth Kovac, B.A.
Councillor Allan J. Levine, B.Sc., M.A., DPLI
Councillor Glenn J. Nashen

ALSO PRESENT:

Ms. Nadia DiFuria, Interim City Manager
M^e Jonathan Shecter, Interim Associate City Manager and City
Clerk, acted as Secretary of the meeting

QUESTION PERIOD

The question period started at 7:55 p.m. and finished at 8:10 p.m. Five (5) people asked to speak and they were heard.

1) Gisela Sipos

The resident stated that in her view, she speaks for most of the homeowners in the area where the proposed demolition and reconstruction is slated to occur at 5815 Davies. The resident then stated that she had concerns as to the proposed plans. The resident further stated that the picture of the proposed immovable to be constructed subsequent to the demolition is not congruent with the plans. The resident then stated that in her view, she had a solid basis on which to voice her concerns. She then further stated that the lot in question has a lot of potential. The resident then further stated that there is neither balance nor real logic as far as she can see in terms of the proposed immovable to be reconstructed. The resident then further explained that the immovable is designed more consistently for a zone for industrial buildings or social housing buildings and that there is really no attempt to harmonise the proposed design with the rest of the neighbourhood. The resident then called upon those in charge of approving the plans to visit the neighbourhood as she deemed the proposed immovable an *affront*.

2) Mr. Beaufils

The resident opined that the architecture of the proposed reconstructed immovable was incongruous with the actual neighbourhood. The resident then opined that if the proposed immovable were to be built there would be more snow deposited on neighbouring properties since no more snow would be able to be deposited on the proposed new immovable given the dimensions of its construction. The resident then stated that the look of the proposed immovable was more congruous with an area such as where a gas station and/or fire station is located. The resident then further voiced his concerns that this immovable would lower the value of the neighbouring homes. The resident then complained of mice and rodents which would emanate from the ground when the immovable would be reconstructed.

3) Didier Ayel

The resident does not believe, after personally performing certain simulations, that the dimensions are congruent with the City's zoning by-law.

4) Sandi Lewis

The resident stated that the immovable to be reconstructed does not fit in with the neighbourhood / streetscape, that her fellow residents got really upset when they saw the plans and that if the residents are to actually build something, they should be building something *nice*. The resident stated that there are fifteen (15) individuals from her little neighbourhood who object to the proposed project and basically they all feel the same about the immovable in that they don't like the look of it. She then called upon the City to have a *huge bungalow* there.

5) Bryan Wolofsky

The resident could not understand why his fellow residents objected to the project and went on record as supporting it.

After listening to and hearing all of the residents' concerns, Acting Mayor Dida Berku stated that she will be recommending to her fellow Members of Council to defer/postpone the decision tonight in view of having a consultative process.

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**REQUEST FOR DEMOLITION FOR AN IMMOVABLE SITUATED AT
5815 DAVIES**

Council deliberated.

It was

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR RUTH KOVAC
SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLAN J. LEVINE

AND RESOLVED:

"THAT Council hereby declares the decision concerning the demolition of 5815 Davies deferred/postponed to a subsequent meeting."
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AT 8:12 P.M. ACTING MAYOR BERKU DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED.

DIDA BERKU
ACTING MAYOR

JONATHAN SHECTER
CITY CLERK