

RAPPORT SIÈGE 3: NICOLAS TASSÉ / REPORT FROM SEAT 3: NICOLAS TASSÉ

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Good evening everyone,

As we've moved through the heart of winter, a large part of activity has been centered on the practical, everyday services residents rely on, particularly those connected to Public Works.

Over the past few weeks, we've received a noticeable number of complaints related to garbage collection. These include missed pickups as well as reports of damaged garbage bins. These concerns have been communicated to administration and are being tracked so that recurring issues can be identified and addressed more consistently. I would also encourage residents to use the Town's online service request form to report missed collections or damaged bins, as this helps ensure issues are logged accurately and followed up on efficiently.

We've also received questions and reports regarding street lights that appear to be burnt out. I am currently awaiting further details on these reports so they can be verified and followed up on appropriately, and I expect to be able to provide a more complete update on this in a future report.

Winter operations continue to present challenges, particularly around the new recreation centre. Snow clearing in that area has been more complex due to the site's configuration, and it has also affected the movement of heavy equipment going to and from the Public Works building and snow dump located in the same area. These logistical constraints are being monitored closely to ensure operations remain safe and efficient.

This time of year is also been marked by frequent temperature fluctuations. These freeze-thaw cycles require more frequent use of abrasives, often on a daily basis, as well as additional operations following repeated snowfall events. These same conditions are contribute to faster road deterioration at this time of year.

Recent warmer weather conditions have allowed for some asphaltting work to be completed on potholes when temperatures permit. That said, I want to remind residents to remain cautious on the roads, as the varying temperatures this time of year are increasing both the number , and size of potholes.

As of now, we have completed our fifth major snow-clearing operation of the season, which aligns with what would be considered an average winter for our town.

I would also like to remind residents of the importance of respecting no-parking signage during snow operations. Vehicles left on the street significantly slow down snow clearing and make it more difficult for crews to complete their work efficiently.

On the economic development front, I met with a director from PME Montréal to discuss potential strategies aimed at strengthening the commercial sector in Montreal West. The objective is to move toward more direct engagement with local businesses. In the near future, we plan to begin visiting businesses together to hear directly from owners about their challenges, needs, and ideas.

In addition, I have been in contact with the Directeur général of PME Montréal for our area to discuss my involvement on their board of directors. This will allow for stronger alignment between regional economic initiatives and the specific realities of Montreal West.

I invite everyone interested in joining the Westminster revitalization committee to reach out to me in person or me via the town's website.

I will continue to report back as these files progress, and I remain focused on ensuring that both operational concerns and longer-term planning are addressed in a clear and transparent way.
