

Minutes of the Council of Beaconsfield

Minutes of the City of Beaconsfield's public consultation Municipal Council meeting, held at City Hall, 303 Beaconsfield Boulevard, Beaconsfield, Québec, on Monday, April 20, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

WERE PRESENT:

Mr. Mayor Martin St-Jean and Councillors Dominique Godin, Marie Léveillé, Robert Mercuri, David Newell, Jason Rossie, Tim Quinn

ALSO PRESENT:

Patrice Boileau, Director General, Nathalie Libersan-Laniel, City Clerk and Director of Public Affairs, Dominique Quirk, Assistant City Clerk, Mireille Gascon, Division Head, Urban Planning and Municipal Patrol

1. **OPENING OF MEETING**

Mr. Mayor calls the meeting to order.

2. AGENDA

2.1 Adoption of the agenda of the City of Beaconsfield's Public Consultation of April 20, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

2026-04-180 It is moved by Councillor Robert Mercuri, seconded by Councillor Tim Quinn and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to adopt the agenda of the City of Beaconsfield's Public Consultation of April 20, 2026, at 6:30 p.m., as presented.

40. BY-LAWS

40.1 Public consultation on the effects and consequences of the first Draft By-law BEAC-045-22 entitled "By-law amending By-law BEAC-045 respecting permits and certificates in order to review the provisions governing the issuance of permits and certificates of authorization, in a manner consistent with the Zoning By-law"

2026-04-181

40.2 Public consultation on the effects and consequences of the first Draft By-law Règlement 720-132 entitled "Omnibus By-law amending Zoning By-law 720 to correct, harmonize, amend and repeal various regulatory provisions"

2026-04-182

91. **QUESTION PERIOD OF THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

Mr. Mayor announces the beginning of the public question period at 7:10 p.m.

A resident states that a certain type of application appears as requiring a permit in the table presented, but in her view it should not. She also asks what the difference is between a permit and a certificate of authorization.

Ms. Mireille Gascon explains that the table will be verified. She indicates that a permit is required for work or installations that are considered for property assessment purposes. A certificate of authorization generally has a shorter period of validity and usually does not require plans prepared by professionals. She adds that the two authorizations are subject to different fees.

A resident asks how the City will treat lawfully existing equipment.

Ms. Gascon explains that the by-law applies to everything going forward. If a structure or installation was built legally and issued with a permit and is already in place, it may remain as is and no action is required.

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A resident asks a question about retaining walls, and whether the by-law is referring to the walls between private land and the lake.

Ms. Gascon clarifies that the provision refers to retaining walls between two private properties. She adds that retaining walls adjacent to the lake must be naturalized.

A resident asks whether a property owner may have two sheds when there is a pool.

Ms. Gascon replies that this is not new and was already permitted. She specifies that the maximum total area is 23 square metres.

Councillor David Newell asks Ms. Gascon to explain the timeline for the changes.

Ms. Gascon explains that the by-law changes apply through the zoning “freeze effect” (effet de gel). She adds that there will be a second adoption of the zoning by-law, and that certain elements subject to approval by referendum can be included in a register process, if requested by residents. Public notices will be issued to explain the next steps.

The question period ends at 7:18 p.m.

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CLOSING OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION

2026-04-183

It is moved by Councillor Marie Léveillé, seconded by Councillor Dominique Godin and UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to close the public consultation at 7:19 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK