

1- State of urban agriculture:

- What do you know about urban agriculture in Montreal?
- What type of urban agriculture do you practice?
- Which urban agriculture project do you participate in or know most about?

• Collective gardening, in a garden of mostly families. The group is constantly morphing, new gardeners, replacing those whose lives have taken them elsewhere. The good thing about collective gardening is that the garden ~~remains~~ remains long after individual gardeners have left - a form of Urban Agriculture the city can establish but maintenance isn't too difficult.

2: Opinion on the importance of urban agriculture in Montreal :

- Pourquoi l'agriculture urbaine à Montréal est importante à vos yeux?
- In your view, why is urban agriculture important for Montreal?
- What is pertinent about urban agriculture in Montreal?
- How does urban agriculture improve the city of Montreal?
- How does urban agriculture improve the quality of life in your neighborhood?
- Pourquoi l'agriculture urbaine peut-elle s'allier avec le développement de la Ville de Montréal?
- Why should urban agriculture link with the city of Montreal's development plans?

• Urban Agriculture is empowering -- a chance to grow one's own food in the city! While I wish the Garden of Thyme was more visible in the St Raymond Neighborhood, I think its presence as an option to low-income families with young children is valuable. Montreal needs to see Thyme and other community/collective gardens as potential hubs for activities that promote healthy living.

3- Problems and barriers :

- What are the problems/barriers that you have encountered with your urban agriculture projects?
- What are the present obstacles for further developing urban agriculture in Montreal?
- What are the biggest barriers with regards to your urban agriculture projects?

• Every year is the possibility our garden will be closed, if the SDM decides to take the land away. It is difficult to try long-term projects if we don't know they will have the opportunity to pan out.

4- Recommendations, suggestions and commentaries :

- What changes do you think would allow for better development of urban agriculture?
- Quelles sont vos suggestions à la Ville de Montréal pour favoriser le développement de l'agriculture urbaine?
- What are your suggestions to the city of Montreal to encourage the development of urban agriculture?
- Do you have concrete solutions for the problems mentioned in the section above?

• Montreal & its boroughs need to put current community gardens under their protection before they are lost and offer benefits to businesses/churches, & school boards for donating land to create these public spaces.

• Seedlings, or even seeds, are low-cost alternatives to feeding Montreal working-class poor. Montreal needs to make its green goal to be about feeding people, not just beautifying. Give ornamental herbs instead of flowers away.