

Public Consultation

Montréal Charter of Rights and Responsibilities

At the request of the Executive Committee of Montréal, the Office de consultation publique de Montréal (OCPM) will hold public consultations on the draft for a *Montréal Charter of Rights and Responsibilities*.

OBJECT OF CONSULTATION

The proposed Charter lists a series of rights that come under the city's jurisdiction and takes into account its legal ability to make them effective. The proposed commitments are therefore proportionate to the city's responsibilities and its financial capacity. Full enjoyment of the rights listed in the Charter rest on a commitment made by citizens and the city of Montréal.

It would be an instrument to inspire all Montréal citizens in their daily lives and in exercising their rights and responsibilities. Individuals who feel they have been wronged by the administration could file a complaint with the ombudsman who would be given the power to investigate, carry out mediation and make recommendations.

PUBLIC CONSULTATIONS

The OCPM invites interested persons and organizations to participate in the public consultation meetings:

Information sessions and question periods :

Date	Location
February 24, 2004 7:00 PM	Marché Bonsecours 350 Saint-Paul Street East Ballroom (Champ-de-Mars Metro)
March 8, 2004 7:00 PM	Langelier Library 6473 Sherbrooke Street East (Langelier Metro)
March 10, 2004 7:00 PM	Sarto-Desnoyers Community Centre 1335 Lakeshore Drive, Room A Dorval borough (Bus 202)
March 15, 2004 7:00 PM	Centre d'éducation des adultes (CEDA) 2515 Delisle Street (Lionel-Groulx Metro)

March 16, 2004	St-Nicholas Orthodox Church
7:00 PM	80, De Castelnau Street East
	(De Castelnau Metro)

Sessions have been reserved for the tabling of petitions and for the hearing of persons and organizations:

Date	Location
April 5, 2004 7:00 PM	Marché Bonsecours 350 Saint-Paul Street East Ballroom (Champ-de-Mars Metro)
April 7, 2004 7:00 PM	Complexe sportif Claude-Robillard 1000 Émile-Journault Street Salon des dignitaires (Crémazie Metro, Bus 146 East)
April 13, 2004 7:00 PM	Sarto-Desnoyers Community Centre 1335 Lakeshore Drive, Room D Dorval borough (Bus 202)

Additional meetings will be held if necessary.

DOCUMENTATION

The background material on the proposed *Montréal Charter of Rights and Responsibilities* may be consulted at the following places, during regular office hours:

- Borough offices and Accès Montréal offices
- Montréal public libraries

The background material is also available at the following address:

 Office de consultation publique de Montréal, 1550 Metcalfe Street, Suite 1414, and on its Website: <u>www.ocpm.qc.ca</u>

Montréal public libraries offer free Internet access.

Persons and organizations wishing to express their opinion or submit a memorandum on the proposed Charter are invited to register and/or to submit their memorandums by March 30, 2004, 4:00 p.m., at the offices of the OCPM, in ten hard copies, and in electronic format.

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