

June 6, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: CUSM - Campus de la montagne

I am strongly opposed to the proposed hospital expansion as the area of the mountain that will be affected is already overly developed. This is obvious when one actually visits the site of the proposed hospital expansion: apartment buildings and hospital buildings crowd one of the entrances to Mount Royal Park – arguably the city’s most important landmark. At what point will these piecemeal expansions stop? After the park and private property is crowded out? It must be clear that this is not good for Montreal. There are more appropriate locations available for hospital services expansion. Can we please turn our minds to those locations instead?

Also note that the increased traffic which would result from the proposed expansion would make life much more difficult for those who are already relying on the parking along Cedar. That parking is full most of the time. You can try to push public transport as a separate initiative, but the fact is that there is going to be parking and traffic chaos on Cedar immediately upon start of services in the proposed location.

I sincerely hope that the concerns of those most familiar with this neighbourhood (i.e., the residents) will be taken very seriously during this consultation.

Your truly,
David Arthurs
Cedar Ave. Resident