



Esplanade

HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE MASTER PLAN

The Old Port of Montréal Corporation is pleased to unveil to Montrealers a preliminary plan for the revitalization of the Old Port of Montréal. The aim of this plan is to strengthen the Old Port's position as the premier recreational tourism site in Québec.

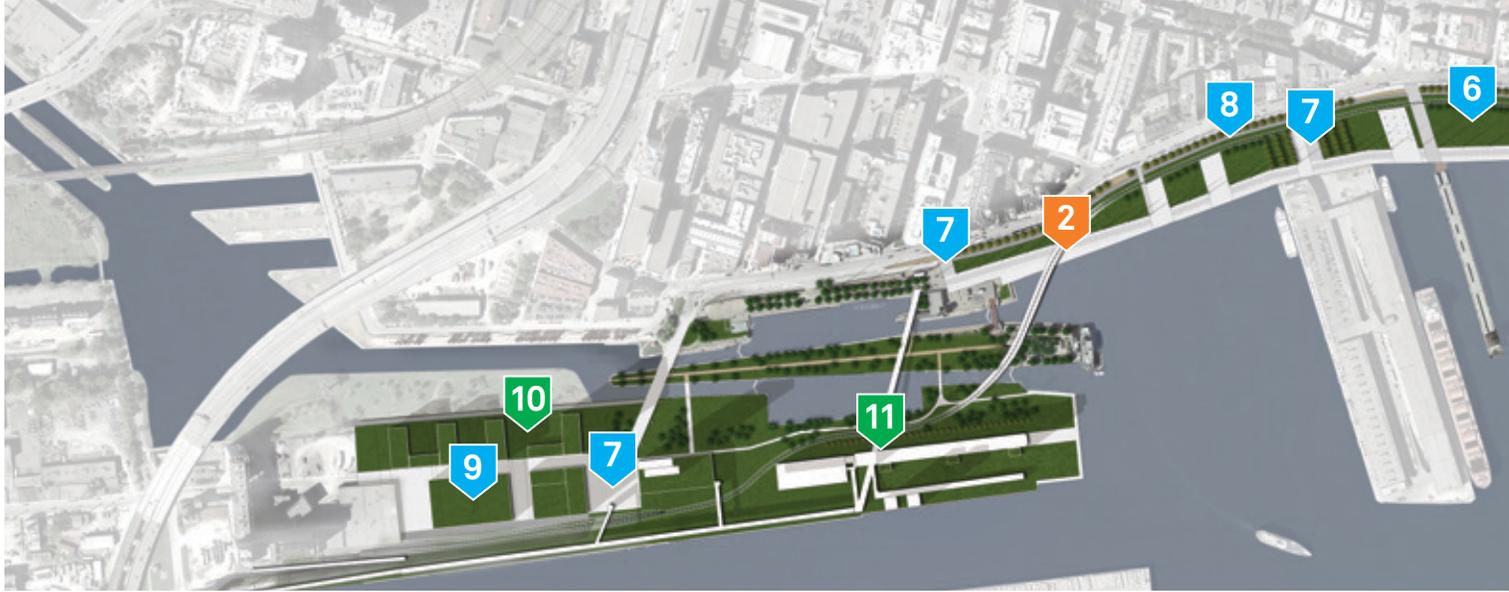
It also recognizes the importance of enhancing the heritage assets of this historic site in Montréal and confirms the vocations of the Jacques-Cartier Pier as an event venue and the Montréal Science Centre as an educational institution.

Today, we invite Montrealers to view and acquaint themselves with the plan, and to participate in the various consultation activities taking place now. Following this stage of consultation, feedback gathered will be considered and incorporated into the final plan.

Why a Master Plan?

The Old Port is one of the most popular recreational tourism sites in Canada. Every year Montrealers and visitors alike appreciate and visit it in large numbers. Twenty-five years after its inauguration, new investments are needed to enhance the visitor experience. The addition of Silo 5 and the Pointe-du-Moulin sector to the planning process offers a unique opportunity to create a new urban setting that meets the expectations of Montrealers.

As a result of numerous consultations, improved access to the waterfront and sectors of interest and activities are being proposed. The plan enhances green spaces and public areas while reconnecting the Old Port to the city. Once adopted, the plan will incorporate a multi-phased approach that will guide development efforts at the Old Port over the coming years.



Getting closer to the waterfront

The plan offers visitors several ways to get close to the St. Lawrence River, be it the lowering of a portion of the Old Port promenade, stepped plazas down to the waterfront, or new pedestrian bridges across the water. Opposite the Jacques-Cartier Basin and the Clock Tower Basin **1**, two stepped plazas will lead down to the level of the water. The plan also proposes lowering the Old Port promenade between the McGill and St-Pierre entrances **2** to pass under the railway line. At the Clock Tower entrance **3**, there is a proposed extension of the promenade eastward, down to the marina. In addition to lowering the promenade in these locations, this new configuration will provide access to the site during train crossings.



Jacques-Cartier Stepped Plaza

Redefining the Clock Tower Pier as a new destination

The vocation of the Clock Tower Pier sector **4** will be redefined, yet will remain a special vantage point for admiring the historic Clock Tower and the powerful St. Lawrence River current. The existing large ground-level parking lot will give way to new cultural and recreational uses and a hotel **5**. These additions will complement the existing family attractions in the sector, such as the Natrel Basin, the Natrel Skating Rink and the Clock Tower Beach, as well as a potential future Montréal Harbour Bath.



Clock Tower Pier



Reconnecting the city, the Old Port and the river

Another objective of the plan is to strengthen the links between Old Montréal, the Old Port site and the river. To this end, the Old Port esplanade and its waterfront promenade **6** will be completely reconfigured to create a large linear public space linking Old Montréal, the piers and the waterfront. New public squares **7** will serve as connectors to the Clock Tower, Jacques Cartier, King Edward and Alexandra Piers as well as to the Pointe-du-Moulin. They will mark the site entrances as an extension of Old Montréal towards the river and will open up views to and from the city and the river.

Site access, mobility and parking will also be reconfigured. There will be a dedicated bicycle path, running parallel to de la Commune Street, **8** which will link the existing paths in Old Montréal and along the Lachine Canal. New pedestrian bridges will link the various sectors of the Old Port, creating a six-kilometer looped circuit.

The overall number of parking spaces will be maintained and will be concentrated at four main locations, including the existing parking lots at the Montréal Science Centre on King Edward Pier and the Alexandra Pier parking lot. Two new parking lots will be added at the east and west ends of the site **9**.



Jacques-Cartier Entrance

Revitalizing the Pointe-du-Moulin and Silo 5

The western section of the Pointe-du-Moulin will be transformed into a new mixed-use area **10** able to accommodate residents, shops, offices, hotel and other community amenities such as a sports centre.

Near the McGill entrance, access will be provided to the upper floors of Silo 5 via a pedestrian bridge from McGill Street and a panoramic elevator **11**, offering breathtaking views of downtown Montréal and the Montérégie region. The old conveyors will be partially retrofitted into an elevated conveyor promenade providing an opportunity to better grasp the industrial heritage of the site and to offer new views on the city, the Lachine Canal and the river.



McGill Railway Underpass



A plan created with Montrealers

A great number of Montrealers have been enthusiastic participants in the various stages of designing the Master Plan. In 2015, more than 400 people responded to a survey that emphasized a desire for better access to the waterfront and for maintaining the site's recreational tourism vocation. Further public consultations were held in January 2016, followed by workshops on various topics (heritage, accessibility, events, activities, economic development and urban integration). These activities were carried out under the aegis of an Advisory Committee made up of experts and notable Montrealers.

HAVE YOUR SAY!

Discover the model of the Old Port of tomorrow and join the conversation

- Public meeting on Monday, **June 12, at 7 p.m.**, at the Montréal Science Centre (2 de la Commune West). No registration required.
- Open house events under an outdoor tent on Thursday **June 15**, Friday **June 16** and Saturday **June 17, from 12 p.m. to 8 p.m.**, at the St-Pierre entrance to the Old Port site (just East of McGill Entrance). No registration required.
- Online consultation at www.planoldport.com from **June 12 to July 12**.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions:
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