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Head-start for pre-summer tennis & pickleball Sign-up starts February 11 for spring programs, activities

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

Just as the city's Winter Carnival program wound up last weekend, Westmount residents got a head-start February 11 to sign up early for the Sports and Recreation program's spring offerings featuring many of those that aren't held over the winter months.

Among them are the numerous tennis sessions starting at the end of April and continuing through to June, along with pickleball, baseball, volleyball, spring hockey, rugby, flag football and the annual "cycling and street smart" program.

One of two new programs in the spring line-up is called "babies on the move" that takes place in two sections – the first for newborns to age 5 months (April to May) and the second for those 6 to 12 months from May to June. Both involve a pediatric physiotherapist to guide caregivers in baby development and various stages of mobility.

Another new one is an "adult beginner" hockey program for those who have already taken the instructional one and now want to skate in teams.

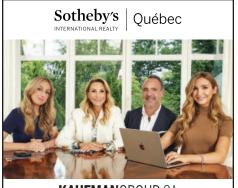
Some of the many dance programs include classical ballet, tap dancing, break dance, ballroom and belly dancing, and Zumba. Many other programs include choir, karate, tai chi and yoga.

Various fitness and low intensity exercises for seniors are also featured, of which five are also to be presented on Zoom. These include fitness, gentle movement, gentle strength and movement as well as gentle yoga.

City's Winter Carnival kicks off with music



Folk singer Adam Goulet performed a variety of songs for members of the Contactivity Centre during their Westmount Winter Carnival luncheon held at the Westmount recreation centre on February 6. For coverage of other Winter Carnival events, see p. 7 (Friday night) and p. 4 and p. 12 (Saturday).



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Cities on 'front line:' Mayor Smith Possible Canada-US tariff war threatens capital works projects

By Laureen Sweeney

A threat of added US tariffs on some Canadian products could have "significant impact" on Westmount's budgetted infrastructure work, Mayor Christina Smith warned in a statement opening the February 3 council meeting.

"Cities would be on the front line" in a trade war if the threat by the Trump admin-

istration "is carried out," she stated. "This would exacerbate the difficulties associated with managing the infrastructure" considering the impact of tariffs on the costs of construction and material, "which have already exceeded inflation rates."

The concern is "raising legitimate concerns" among local businesses, merchants and residents," she explained. *continued on p. 8*



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Geoffroy-Béliveau familiar figure at council meetings Council appoints new city clerk & Legal Affairs director

By LAUREEN SWEENEY

To anyone attending city council meetings over the last many months, Paule Geoffroy-Béliveau is a familiar figure seated at one side of the council table beside director general Julie Mandeville and helping guide the session through its various legal steps. In front of her has been a placard identifying her as "assistant city clerk."

Now, however, the sign will change: Geoffroy-Béliveau was appointed city clerk and director of Legal Services during the council meeting February 3, effective the next day.

"I am convinced that Paule will rise to the challenges ahead, and that she will structure the department well to position it at the heart of our city's municipal action," Mandeville states. "Since her hiring, she has demonstrated the skills and qualities necessary for the position, with a strong analytical mind, a great concern for compliance and ease in interpersonal relations."

A vital component of the city operation, the position is one of those legally required by Quebec. It serves as secretary of the city corporation with numerous responsibilities that include the preparation of council meetings, legal opinions, and protection of city archives and documents. It also oversees the liaison with Montreal's municipal court.

Election year means extra work

This will be a particularly busy year for

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the city clerk's office, which will handle the municipal elections in November.

Maitre Geoffroy-Béliveau, as she is known professionally, joined the city April 8, 2024 as assistant director of Legal Services and City Clerk's Office but has been running the department for several months in the absence of the director, Julia Levitin.

She holds a bachelor's degree in law and is a member of the Quebec Bar, working in the legal field since 2015. Initially in pri-

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9 Lives, *p.* 14

Social Notes: Ilios/HLBS, p. 16 vate practice in family law, she made the leap to municipal law in 2021 as legal counsel and then prosecutor for the city of St. Jean sur Richelieu.

Counting Geoffroy-Béliveau, there have been seven city clerks since late 2007.

Levitin was appointed city clerk on December 18, 2023 (see January 16, 2024). Her predecessor, Denis Ferland, was city clerk from January 2022 to October 2023. His predecessor, Andrew Brownstein, served from November 4, 2019 to September 10, 2021 (see September 14, 2021, p. 14). His predecessor, Martin St-Jean, was city clerk from August 3, 2015 to August 23, 2019 (see August 11, 2015, p. 2 and June 11, 2019, p. 1). His predecessor was Viviana Iturriaga Espinoza, who had a two-year contract (see May 7, 2013, p. 9). Her predecessor, Mario Gerbeau, served from August 27, 2007 until December 14, 2012 (see February 19, 2013, p. 3, September 6, 2007, p. 2).

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The New Year brought no change to drivers' habits on de Maisonneuve at Prince Albert. They keep going east against the one-way, as seen January 6 (top) and 18. Despite the tight space and rulebreaking, the two cars passed in the first case without any honking. Only in Canada?

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Seniors' group membership: 600 Contactivity Centre gets Winter Carnival off to a positive start

BY MARTIN C. BARRY

In keeping with a longstanding tradition, members of the Contactivity Centre for seniors helped mark the beginning of the Westmount Winter Carnival on Thursday afternoon last week with a luncheon, followed by some live musical entertainment.

Lots of prizes

Items awarded to lucky ticket holders in a raffle included packets of hot chocolate and popcorn.

A Metro supermarket gift card was the grand prize. The gift bags also contained hand-knitted hats and scarves

"Something to keep everybody warm in the winter," the centre's executive-director Benita Goldin said about the latter.

Joking, she said she was "sure you're all going to go tobogganing on Saturday. Take your grandchildren and go tobogganing. It'll be tons of fun."

'Contactivity is booming'

Among those seated for the luncheon was Tony Wait, a Clarke Ave. resident who

is president of the Contactivity Centre board. "Contactivity is booming," he said, noting that membership now stands at 600.

Westmount Mayor Christina Smith dropped by for short visit, along with city councillor Mary Gallery, who is in charge of sports, recreation and parks.

"We'll promise you that we will continue to support Contactivity and your mission," said Mayor Smith.

Formerly located at Westmount Park United Church, Contactivity Centre now holds programs at Victoria Hall and at the recreation centre, with administrative offices at 310 Victoria Ave.

Some intergenerational programs also take place at Selwyn House School.

See p. 1 for another photo.

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Among the Contactivity Centre members winning prizes in a raffle draw were Sharon Derevensky, seen here receiving her gift from Jennifer Heaps, an administrator with the Sports and Recreation department.

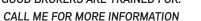


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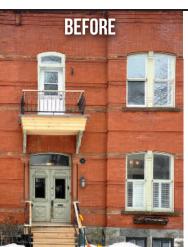
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McEntyre Writing Competition open to Westmount students Theme: 'Looking through or into the window' – Deadline: March 30

By Laureen Sweeney

What do *you* see from your window – or even looking into it? Whatever it is, that is the theme of this year's McEntyre Writing Competition: "The view from my window."

Given the numerous types of homes, streets, activities, people, animals, birds, trees, traffic and weather in and around Westmount, this year's theme should lead to a wide variety of descriptions and perceptions of life in the community – even what you might see as an astronaut from a space ship, according to a description of the theme.

This was announced last week as a theme intended to encourage creative writing and foster community spirit, according to chief judges Liz McCallum, of St. Catherine St., and Wendy Wayling, children's librarian of the Westmount Public Library. The competition is open to all students

► From left, Wendy Wayling, children's librarian of the Westmount Public Library, and McEntyre Writing Competition chief judge Liz McCallum with this year's poster for the contest.



Winter Carnival PJ partyers cozy up in Victoria Hall



On the evening of February 7 in the auditorium at Victoria Hall, it was time for Westmounters of all ages – although mostly kids – to put on pyjamas, grab a favourite blanket and cozy up for a screening of *Inside Out 2*. The event is held each year in conjunction with the Westmount Winter Carnival. Snacks were served and there was fun and games for everyone.

in elementary and high school (grades 1-6 and secondary I to V) who go to school in Westmount, live in Westmount or are members of a library in Westmount.

Must be original

As a sign of the times, entries originating in whole or in part from artificial platforms (such as ChatGPT and other similar tools) are not considered eligible. Full details of how entries are to be submitted are available from schools, or the library and its website.

The competition deadline is March 30. Prizes range from \$20 to \$150.

Last year, the competition received more than 1,100 entries, for which 65 judges were needed along with many other volunteers (see story June 4, 2024 p. 12). The annual competition is in its 53rd year after being originally launched in 1972 as the Westmount Scholarship Trust Fund by former mayor Peter McEntyre (1970-1971).

McEntyre refused to accept his provincially imposed mayoral salary and donated it to create the competition and use for prizes. He maintained that being on city council should be considered to be community service.





The city's steps from The Boulevard to Upper Roslyn were mentioned by the mayor at the February 3 city council meeting as an example of ones needing repair. They form a top-cut-off figure "8" with a stem down to the street. The right side of the "8" has been closed for years except where it leads from the bottom to the front door of the house at right. As seen February 7.



The steps from Stanton St. up to Thornhill Ave. have been closed for months, as seen February 7 from the top.

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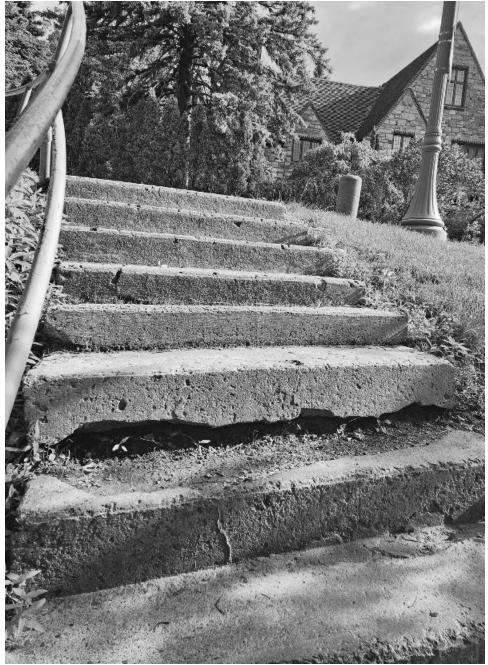
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▲ This is the top of the small staircase that leads from Sunnyside to Gordon Crescent, as seen June 21, 2024, before the winds (and snows) of winter. PHOTOS: INDEPENDENT.

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Tariff war, cont'd from p. 1

Later in the meeting, the council approved two by-laws that had already received notice of motion: one was to authorize a loan of \$3,009,000 for the repair of public stairs and another for a loan of \$2,647,190 to refurbish municipal buildings.

At the meeting January 13, another had been approved to borrow \$18,238,400 for various roadwork, watermain and sewer projects that had been adopted January 13 (see story Jan. 28).

Correction

The *Independent*'s coverage on p. 10 last week of 100+ Women Who Care incorrectly identified Sabrina Ahmed, one of the group's five co-founders, as being from Westmount. She is, in fact, from Brossard on Montreal's South Shore. We apologize for the error. – DP.



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Task Force on Linguistic Policy's Caddell talks litigation, English speakers' rights

By Jennifer Ball

Andrew Caddell is the president of the Task Force on Linguistic Policy.

He spoke to the Rotary Club of Westmount about current court challenges on linguistic rights and how the task force was formed to stop Quebec's Bill 96 and Canada's Bill C-13.

Caddell told Rotarians on February 5 at Victoria Hall that "We formed a working group to analyze these bills and provided moderate, incisive analysis...

"The task force was the first group to warn of the dangers of Bill-96."

The group calls out barriers preventing English speakers from:

- Attending English schools and colleges,
- Accessing information, courts and healthcare,
- Benefitting from municipal services,Operating a business in their
- language.

In an op-ed published in *The Gazette* in August 2021, the task force transmitted its opinion that Bill-96 "threatens the existence of our community, our institutions and our jobs. Bill-96, shielded by the Canadian constitution's Notwithstanding Clause, threatens the rights and freedoms of all Quebeckers...

Caddell told Rotarians, "We were right then, and we are right now."

Lead plaintiff

He is a lead plaintiff in a case challenging Bill 96 in court. "While there are several cases challenging the law, ours is unique, in that it involves several individuals detrimentally affected by the law."

"We are also challenging Quebec's attempt to change the constitution to recognize Quebec as a French-speaking nation...



Andrew Caddell, president of the Task Force on Linguistic Policy, speaks to Rotarians at Victoria Hall on February 5.

"We have been forced to defend the constitution and as such we have served both the attorney general of Quebec and the attorney general of Canada."

Ironically, group also opposes Canada's AG

Caddell said it was ironic that their case was slowed down by the recent demand for

a hearing by the attorney general of Canada [Arif Virani], "who refuses to acknowledge his duty and obligation to defend the constitution."

Caddell – who is fully bilingual – has roots in Quebec that go back to 1640, and the arrival of the Gagnons in Quebec. He has residences in Westmount and Kamouraska, where he is a town councillor. It is a village on the St. Lawrence River east of Quebec City.

"My great-grandfather, John Le-Mesurier, was the mayor of Quebec City. He went from being a clerk in a store to owning several stores and factories, and then mayor. They said he was '*un homme du peuple*' and when trouble broke out on the docks, he refused to read the Riot Act, and instead told jokes and convinced everyone to go home."

Human rights

For Caddell, the task force's fight is not about language but about human rights. "English-speaking Quebeckers are full citizens who pay taxes [and] build great institutions – and 1.25 million of us pay to maintain them. Every single person who speaks English is part of this historic community."

From 2001 to 2017, Caddell worked for Global Affairs Canada, in the United Nations division, trade promotion, policy, development and consular work. He served abroad as second secretary at the high commission in Delhi, India in 2009 and his work has led him to Switzerland, Macedonia, Bangladesh, Côte d'Ivoire, and India.

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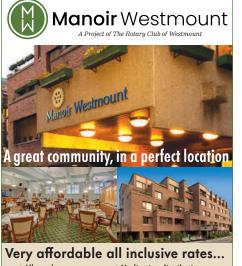
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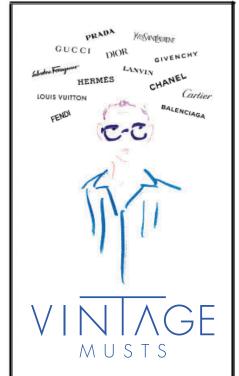
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Lysanne Fowler

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She gets along well with other dogs and will make a wonderful companion for some-

Precious Chanelle

one looking for a sidekick and company for their chill dog.

She is not used to cats, though. Chanelle is having a great time running



around the garden at her foster home. She is treat motivated, so much so that she is currently on a diet to shed a few pounds from her current 25 lbs.

She loves outings in the car and will appreciate walks where she can meet-and-greet new humans and canines. She is quiet and only barks at the door when newcomers arrive. She can be left alone for a few hours.

Chanelle would love a house with a secure, fenced yard and, if there is a pool, it must be fenced separately.

Chanelle is very healthy, spayed, up to date with her vaccinations and microchipped.

If you would like more information on Chanelle, please fill out the rescue's application form at its website – gerdys rescue.org/adoption-form/ – in order for an adoption coordinator to get in contact with you in return to discuss adoption and your interest.

Your neighbour, Lysanne



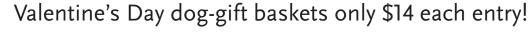


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- Lors d'une séance tenue le 3 février 2025, le Conseil a adopté le projet de règlement de modification n° 1625 et intitulé Règlement visant à modifier certaines dispositions du règlement de zonage concernant la plantation et la protection des arbres et les surfaces végétales en cour latérale.
- 2. Une assemblée publique de consultation aura lieu le 25 février à 19 h, dans la salle du Conseil de l'hôtel de ville. L'objet de cette assemblée est de consulter ce projet de règlement visant à modifier le règlement de zonage afin de remplacer la section qui concerne la protection des arbres et d'introduire de nouvelles exigences de plantation. Le règlement vise également à ajouter une disposition concernant les surfaces végétales en cour latérale. Au cours de cette assemblée, la personne qui préside expliquera le projet de règlement et entendra les personnes et organismes qui désirent s'exprimer.
- 3. Le projet de règlement peut être consulté à l'hôtel de ville de Westmount au 4333, Sherbrooke Ouest.
- 4. Ce projet de règlement ne contient pas une disposition propre à un règlement susceptible d'approbation référendaire.

FAIT à Westmount, le 11 février 2025.

PUBLIC NOTICE DRAFT BY-LAW 1625

To persons concerned by a draft By-law amending the zoning By-law. PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that:

- 1. At a sitting held on February 3, 2025, the Council adopted draft modification By-law 1625 entitled *By-law to amend certain provisions of the zoning by-law regarding tree planting, tree protection, and vegetative surfaces in side yards.*
- 2. A public consultation assembly will be held on February 25 at 7 p.m. in the Council room of City Hall. The purpose of this assembly is to discuss this draft By-law to amend the zoning By-law to replace the section on tree protection and introduce new planting requirements. The By-law also aims to add a provision concerning planted areas in side yards. At this assembly, the chairperson will explain the draft By-law and hear from any individuals or organizations wishing to express their views.
- 3. The draft By-law is available for consultation at Westmount City Hall, 4333 Sherbrooke West.
- 4. This draft By-law does not contain any provision specific to a by-law subject to referendum approval.

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Back from retirement?



This old-style postal box was seen on Grosvenor near St. Catherine January 19. It lacks the postal code prefixes that Canada Post currently applies on boxes to deter graffiti, which has in fact been cleaned from the pictured side of this box and covers its other sides.

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Social Notes Veronica Redgrave

The Hellenic Ladies Benevolent Society's (HLBS) Ilios Soirée was a fun event! Held at the Time Supper Club, the evening was kickstarted by entertainers in elaborate costumes – reminiscent of the Time's former role as fashion event space, when shows were held on the club's famed catwalk, also renowned as a late-night dance space.

Guests enjoyed hors d'oeuvres at Jardin Azul and admired its new terrasse and garden. The consul general of Greece **Katerina Varvarigou**, **Senator Tony Loffreda** and honorary co-chair **Dean Psycharis** addressed the sold-out crowd.

Then a sit-down dinner showcased chef John Zoumis' culinary talents. HLBS president Belle Grivakis worked with co-chairs Effie Vassilas, Sheyda Senoglu and Daisy Giagkos.

Hard-working committee members were Sandra Khoury, Maggie Pagonis, Kathy Hamelin, Jane Lekas, Bernice Tzicas, Cynthia Broccoli, Thalia Constantopou*continued on p. 17*





Senator Tony Loffreda, Belle Grivakis, Consul General Katerina Varvarigou and Ernie Grivakis.

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los, Dora Tzavaras, Dina Kefallinos, Aliki Vergados and Yiota Papadopoulos.

The evening was encee'd by CJAD radio personality **Elias Makos**, there with his wife **Olivia Wien**. Black Mohawk Productions' entertainment included dynamic performances by musicians and dancers. DJ Andrew Pololos played Greek favourites throughout the night. (Memories of my stay on Mykonos, but I digress.)

Starring moments also included a lively auction for a Maria Callas print from artist **Andre Monet** – there with his wife, CJAD radio personality **Joanne Vrakas**. Air Canada tickets to anywhere in the world, offered by the Air Canada Foundation, were won by **Niki Didaskalou** and **Angeliki Koinis**. Swag bags were generously donated by Ilios Foods.

Seen enjoying the evening were dia-

mond sponsors Sandra Dampolias, BMO, and Ernie Grivakis, VVS Films. Gold sponsors were Jean-Michel Lavoie, Sun Life; Peter Mammas. Foodtastic; Mary Karamanos and Nick Tsatsoulis, Maggie Pagonis and Peter Mouhteros, Dean Psycharis, BLP continued on p. 18



Cynthia Broccoli, Thalia Constantopoulos, Dina Kefallinos, Maggie Pagonis, Effie Vassilas, Belle Grivakis, Sandra Khoury, Kathy Hamelin, Dora Tzavaras and Sheyda Senoglu.



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Social notes, cont'd from p. 17 Lawyers; **Deno Drimaropoulos**, Dorex/ Canaropa; **Genevieve Levac** and **Annie Baribeau**, RBC; **Maria Asimacopoulos**, RBCDS; and **Eva Primbas** and the youth contingent from the Valsef Dream Big Foundation.

Enjoying the elegant eve were silver sponsors Kathy Hamelin, Dollarama; Alex Karabatsos, KRB Law, and Andreas Nikolis and Stavroula Christopoulos, Victoria Park MediSpa. Olive sponsors noted were Senator Tony Loffreda, Bill Karidogiannis, Evolution Cleaners; David Miniccuci, The Famous Cosmos; and from PWC, Jeff and Sandra Khoury, and Paul Kamateros, as well as Benito Food's Stelio and Angie Kiliaris.

The event raised \$70,000 for the Hellenic Ladies Benevolent Society organization. Created in 1922, the non-profit organization helps those in need within the Hellenic Community in the greater Montreal area.

Please send information on your spring events to veronica@redgravepr.com.





Olivia Wien and Elias Makos.

Hoff wins Goyer prize

Mezzo-soprano Kristin Hoff was to be announced February 11 as a winner of the 2025-2026 Mécénat Musica: Prix Goyer for "collaborative emerging artist" alongside pianist Meagan Milatz.

The prize amounts to a \$125,000 for each artist. Milatz is "spectacular" according to Hoff's press release.

Hoff taught singing and voice lessons at the Westmount Piano Studio on Sherbrooke near Prince Albert from 2010 to 2015. She is currently the executive director of Mini-Opéra Santé and co-founding artistic and general director of the Montreal contemporary opera company Musique 3 Femmes.

The prize is named for Westmounter Jean-Pierre Goyer, the late husband of former city councillor Nicole Forbes (see June 1, 2011, p. 6). – WI.



Yashar Zarrabian and Mona Golabi, and Tina Nicolopoulos and Spiro Vavougios.

Public asks: What will Mayor Smith do next?

During a visit on February 6 to the Westmount recreation centre where Contactivity Centre was holding its Winter Carnival luncheon, Mayor Christina Smith (who is not seeking another term as mayor) seemed to hint as to what she may



be doing after leaving the municipal scene.

Taking questions, she was asked by a French-speaking member what she had planned after retirement.

"It's not really a retirement," she answered in French. "It's a retirement from the municipal world a little. We'll see in a little... It's a little more risky at the federal level. But we'll see."

Asked afterwards by the *Independent* whether her words suggested she was contemplating a run for federal office, she replied: "That's not what I said." – MCB

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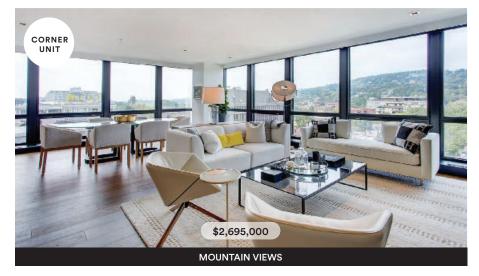


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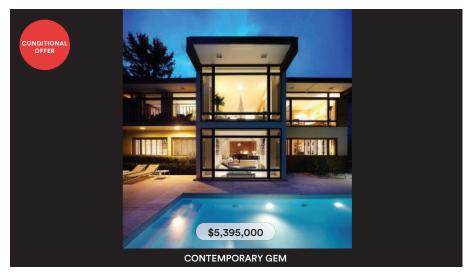


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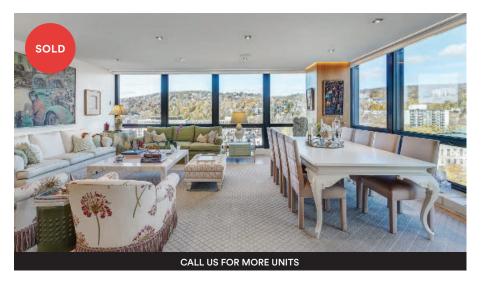


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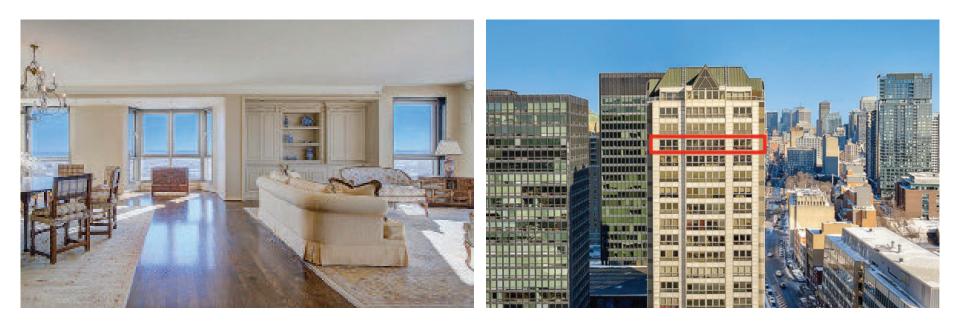


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