

MEMORANDUM  
**Projet de developement du site et de modernisation de la maison**  
**Radio-Canada**

**Rue Panet Streetscape Improvement**

By

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As long time property owners (10 years) and residents (12 years) of the Village neighborhood, we support the concept of the proposed redevelopment. We believe this project will improve the current site and improve the entire neighborhood.

Our concerns regard the aesthetic integration between the new construction and the old existing neighborhood. Specifically, the street functions as the central access to the new development from the neighborhood and serves as an important visual connection between rue Panet and the CBC tower. The tower is a powerful presence on rue Panet, both because of its large size and its location positioned on axis as the dominate focal point at the end of the street. It is a major landmark, representing Montreal and our neighborhood's historic and architectural heritage. Unfortunately this important connection between rue Panet and the tower is compromised by the many wires and power lines that crisscross the street. We are requesting that the developers financially assist the city of Montreal to burry the wires and power lines underground on rue Panet from rue Ste-Catherine to rue Ontario. Also, replace the old harsh and ugly street lights with new lights that are gentler and more sympathetically designed to be in scale with the historic character of the street.

The goal is to integrate the high quality of the new development with the existing fabric of the neighborhood into a more equitable aesthetic balance. The result will be an enhancement of the important geographic and visual connection between the street and tower while improving the streetscape. For the past four years there have been accelerated improvements to many buildings by their property owners on rue Panet, these improvements will be enhanced by this request. We understand this proposal goes beyond the specific boundaries of the development site, but the unique connection between rue Panet and the CBC tower justifies our request.