

Projet Immobilier Du Domaine Des Franciscains

I am opposed to the proposed development by Prevel of the Franciscain property for the following reasons:

1. **Increased population density, less green space per capita:** Shaughnessy Village is one of the most densely populated areas in Montreal, and indeed in Canada. Prevel condos have already brought in more than 1,000 additional residents via their Seville Project. They currently have another project nearing completion (S sur le Square), which will bring in more residents, and they will bring in at least another 1,000 if the Franciscain project is approved. There are also 2 other condo projects (not Prevel) currently under construction in the area (each of which needed urban planning derogations), and each of which will contribute to increased population density in the Village. Where will the couples and families who will live in the buildings go to walk and play? Green spaces are a vital component to the quality of urban life.
2. Shaughnessy Village contains many **historically designated areas**, and some wonderful homes dating back to the 1880's. The immediate area around the Canadian Centre for Architecture is one such zone. The Franciscan land is within this designated historic zone and therefore no urban planning derogations should even be considered, let alone a condo project that would dwarf the two historic buildings on the property.
3. Our so-called "grand jardins" are **privately owned**, and are not public parks.

Respectfully Submitted,

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