

Westmount Independent Candidate Questionnaire 2025

A. TEXT QUESTIONS

1. Are you working with any other candidates? "Working with" in this context includes endorsing, encouraging (or being encouraged) to run, helping (or being helped) to campaign, and advising (or being advised).

2. If so, whom?

B. YES/NO QUESTIONS

3. Would you vote to repeal:

- a. The southeast plan?
- b. The fireplace ban?
- c. The Summit Woods sometimes-unleashed-dog compromise by-law?
 - i. If yes, would you make the new rules less open to dogs?
 - ii. If yes, would you make the new rules more open to dogs?

4. When it first comes up for possible extension or renewal, would you replace the current every-other-week-in-winter garbage pick-up with weekly pick-up?

5. Similarly to the question above, when the time comes, would you reinstate the former practice of picking up garbage behind or in the side lanes of some houses?

6a. Are you in favour of an artificial turf soccer field in principle? (e.g. if another level of government funded one entirely, would you place one on municipal land)

6b. Are you in favour of an artificial turf soccer field in the context of Westmount's current fiscal state?
i.e. one fully or partially paid for by the city.

7. Disclosure: This is a self-interested question by the Independent. Are you in favour of re-instating the city's former, larger budget for ads in the Independent? i.e. \$80,000 in 2025 dollars.

8. When approaching a street re-build (multiple choice),

- a. are you generally in favour of simply re-building the street in question as it was?
(as is being done right now on Claremont.)
- b. Or are you generally in favour of adding bicycle paths and bump-outs, and reducing parking space?
(as was initially proposed for Claremont.)
- c. some other way (20 words maximum)

9. According to Stats Canada, in 2021 Westmount was the fifth most dense city in Canada and second in Quebec, at 4,861 people per square kilometer. By changing zoning laws and allowing new construction, do you intend to make Westmount significantly more dense?

10. If so, what is your target density? (one number answer.)

11. If so, would (multiple choice):

- a. all of Westmount be targeted for more residents, or
- b. only the area below Sherbrooke?

12. Are you generally in favour of an indoor pool?

a. If so, where? (20 words maximum)

b. If so, do you see it as a (multiple choice):

i. City-of-Westmount-only project, for its own use only?

ii. Shared project with another entities or entities?

iii. A project partially financed by pre-leasing large blocks of time to other entities for years to come?

iv. Don't care which of i to iii?

v. Financed or achieved some other way? If so, how? (20 words maximum)

c. If you are for an indoor pool, do you see it staffed by city of Westmount personnel? (yes/no)

d. If you are for an indoor pool, do you see it as a facility that is open (multiple choice):

i. All year?

ii. Only during times when the outdoor pool is closed?

iii. Other? (20 words maximum)

13. When you vote in the coming mandate, will you be considering the interests, needs and desires of (multiple choice):

a. Current residents only?

b. A mix of current residents and future residents, whose number and identities are currently unknown?