

# Lucien L'Allier / Torrence

## Dog Park Recommendation

*A dog park promotes responsible pet ownership. **This benefits the dog, the dog owner, AND the whole community!***



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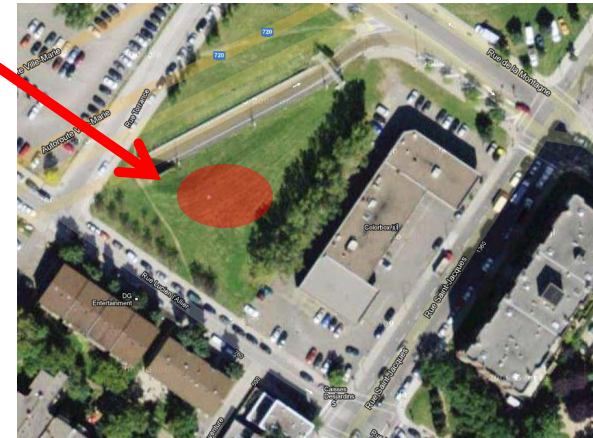
# Overview

- With the growing number of families it is becoming even more important to improve the quality of life and security in the area
- Area is a densely populated area in Montreal with many planned developments (9) further creating a shortage of public space, particularly for dogs
- Over 2,500 home owners in immediate area (St. Antoine – Notre Dame / Guy – d’Estree)
- Estimated 35% (875) of home owners own one or more dogs
- Dogs are being exercised in public parks where children play and not “dog friendly” causing securing concerns
- Lack of space to exercise dogs is attributing to the rising levels of obesity in dogs – open exercise is good for the health of dogs (and owners) – dogs that are off-leash exercise more



# Recommendations

- Creation of a dog park conveniently located on open land on Lucien L'Allier between Torrence and St. Jacques
- Joint team effort including local residents and the city of Montreal
- City of Montreal may require permission from the Ministry of Transport to use the land for a dog park
- Requires a fence, double gated for security and a couple benches, garbage can
- Dog park could be developed as a cooperative to promote responsibility while reducing burden on City to maintain – other cities are trying this approach
- Local businesses could sponsor the park to generate funding for maintenance for the cooperative



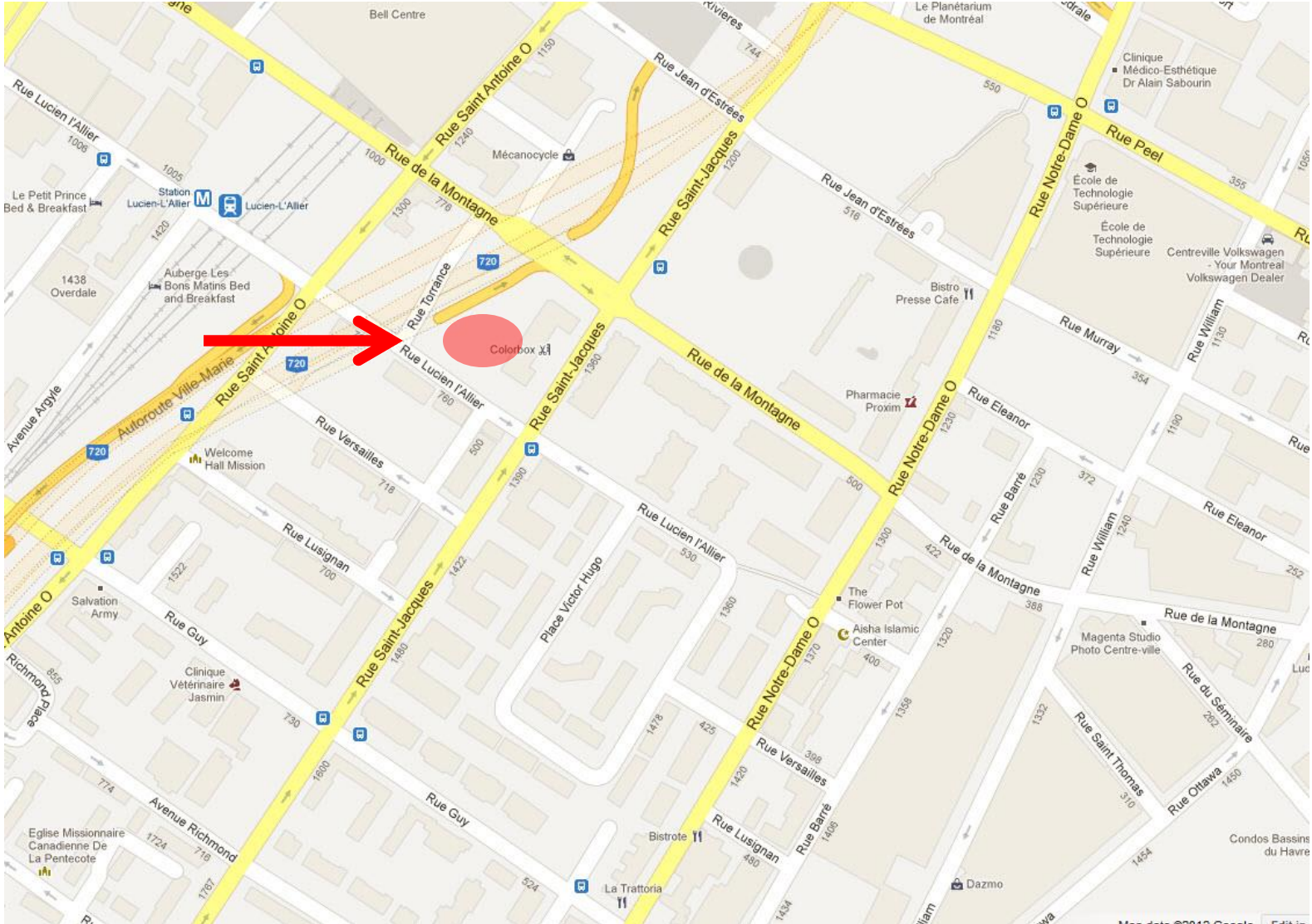
# Benefits

- A dog park will help to promote responsible pet ownership and the enforcement of dog control laws
- This type of area promotes physical and social activity for all who partake in it thus promoting a healthier lifestyle for all involved
- Will promote cleaner parks and playgrounds for families and children in the area and further build on our growing sense of community spirit
- It offers a place for dogs to exercise and socialize safely and reducing episodes of barking and other problem behaviours
- It's not just a place for dogs but for people as well. It provides families, seniors and disabled owners an accessible place to exercise their companion and an area for community-building socializing.
- An off-leash park encourages a sense of community as dog owners meet their neighbours and have a place to gather and discuss local issues. It's a family activity.

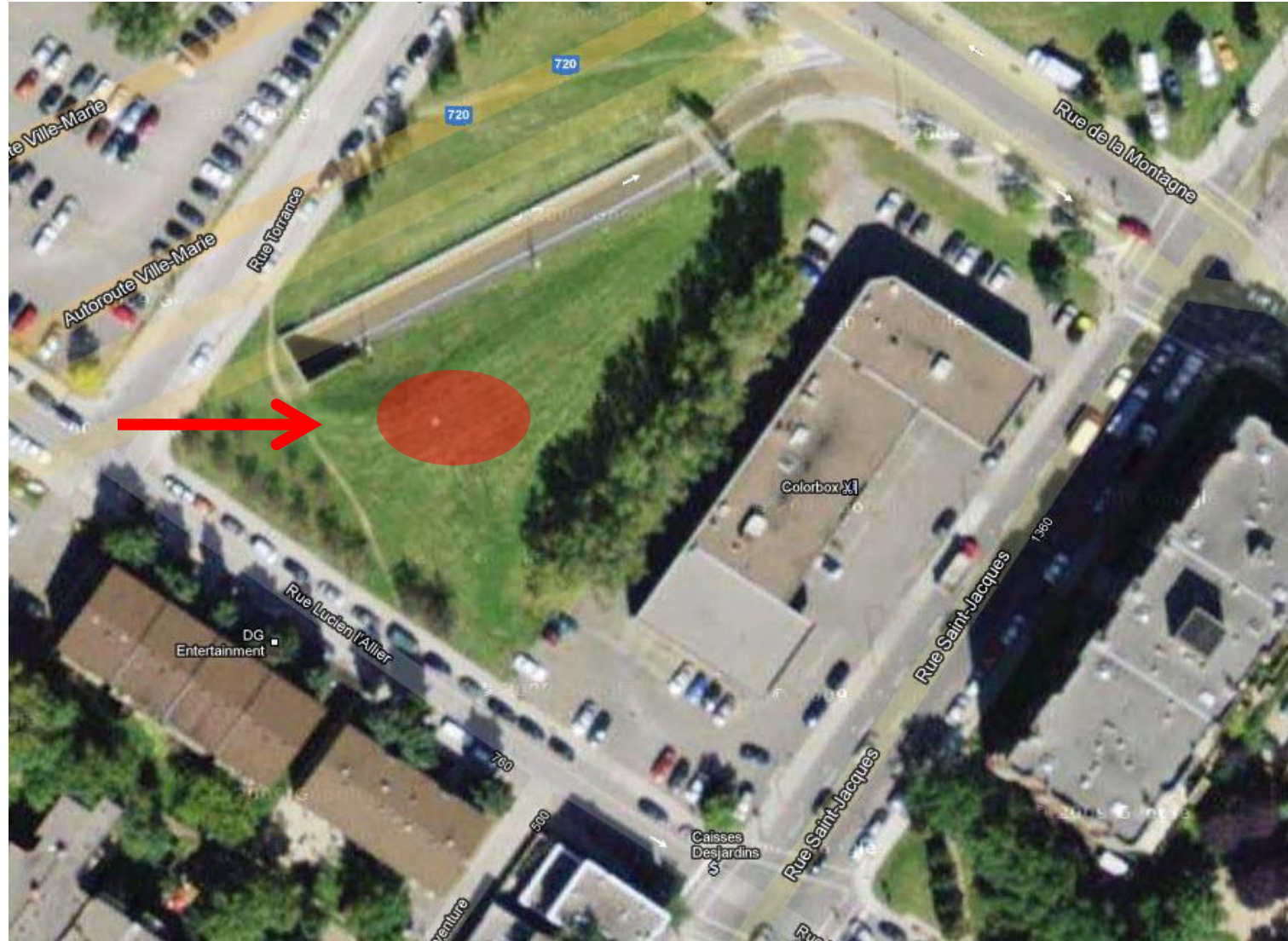
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- Studies show that dogs allowed to run freely and socialize with other dogs are not as aggressive toward people or other animals
- Dog walkers find friends at leash free parks; they also monitor each other and spread the word about courtesy, clean-up and control
- Avoids conflict with non-owners
- A convenient dog park would go a long way towards attracting people to our area. This would therefore increase revenue of local businesses
- An accessible dog park provides disabled and elderly people a place to exercise their companions
- A dog park will further support a “green” approach

# Proposed Area



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# Planned Developments



1. **LE DRUMMOND**  
Two towers, 23 and 21 storeys  
327 dwellings
2. **ICÔNE**  
Two towers, 38 and 32 storeys  
530 dwellings
3. **ÏOT OVERDALE**  
40-storey tower  
Residential and commercial
4. **LE BOCCABELLA**  
Two 35-storey towers  
516 dwellings
5. **L'AVENUE**  
50 storeys  
350 dwellings and hotel
6. **TOUR DES CANADIENS**  
48 storeys, 534 dwellings
7. **TOUR WINDSOR**  
28-storey office tower
8. Cadillac-Fairview envisions  
a high-rise residential, office,  
retail development

9. **Coopérative de la Montagne verte**

Recommended Dog Park



*Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.*

*Henry Ford*