Transportation engineers and political leaders are about to make decisions that will affect Montreal for generations to come. In cities across North America, car-era infrastructures such as elevated highways are crumbling. Montreal has its Turcot Interchange: a spectacular example. As the urgency of the situation calls for immediate measures, what is best to do? What principles should guide our actions? The environmental crisis obliges cities to think about the environmental costs of car-dependency. Now is the time to weigh also the social, cultural and economic costs of unrestrained mobility. The Montreal debates are relevant for all cities that must decide if their future is still to be dictated by the car.

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