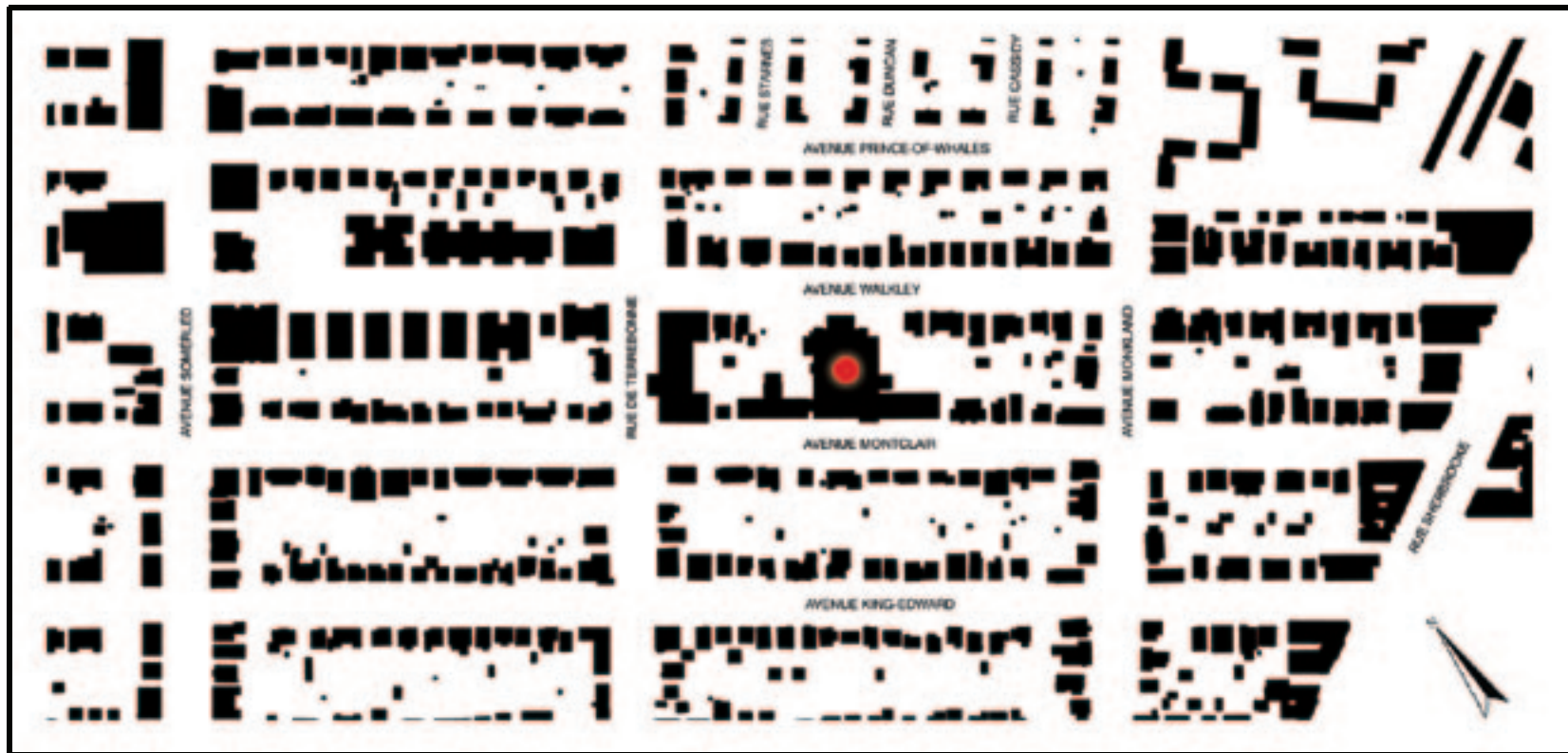


LOCAL SCALE

Urban Fabric / Transit Access



NEIGHBOURHOOD URBAN FABRIC

80m

The grid plan provides a standard template for this district's armature. Built structures in N.D.G. are all built to fit within the grid-work of standard sized city blocks and the C.B. Hospital is no exception. In this case, the hospital has provided structure to the surrounding neighbourhood in an intriguing way. The hospital breaks the homogeneity of the residential fabric, in terms of relative size of structural grain, and simultaneously provides a connection to the larger scale buildings in the area that were subsequently built, such as the neighbouring condominium developments.

Despite a relative closeness to several busy commercial transit arteries (Côte-Saint-Luc, Sherbrooke Ouest and Monkland), there is a visible dampening of intensity around the hospital. A residential buffer zone extends around the hospital for approximately two blocks on all sides. A consistent pattern that emerges when observing the figure ground maps of the N.D.G. area where larger pieces of infrastructure are "enveloped" by the residential fabric of the area. This pattern suggests that the isolation of the larger parts of the armature in N.D.G. was by design, rather than morphological evolution.