

# OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA

# DECISION MINOR VARIANCE / PERMISSION

(Section 45 of the *Planning Act*)

**File No.:** D08-02-22/A-00232

Owner(s): Aria Isapour and Catherine Nouri

**Location:** 1679 Stittsville Main Street

Ward: 6 - Stittsville

**Legal Description:** Part of Lot 1 Registered Plan 571

**Zoning:** R1D

**Zoning By-law**: 2008-250

Notice was given and a Public Hearing was held on **October 5, 2022**, as required by the *Planning Act*.

#### PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION:

The Owners have filed a Consent Application (D08-01-22/B-00236) which, if approved, will have the effect of creating two separate parcels of land. It is proposed to construct a detached dwelling on the newly created parcel and the existing dwelling will remain on the retained parcel. The retained parcel will not be in conformity with the requirement of the Zoning By-law.

#### **RELIEF REQUIRED:**

The Owners require the Authority of the Committee for a Minor Variance from the Zoning By-law to permit a reduced lot width of 11.9 metres, whereas the Zoning By-law requires a minimum lot width of 20 metres.

The application indicates that the Property is subject to the above-mentioned Consent Application under the *Planning Act*.

### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Panel Chair administered an oath to Aria Isapour, one of the Owners of the property, who confirmed that the statutory notice posting requirements were satisfied.

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Sean Harrigan of the City's Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department was also in attendance. Mr. Harrigan confirmed that the City had no concerns with the application.

### DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED

The Committee considered any written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its Decision.

The Committee has the power to authorize a minor variance from the provisions of the Zoning By-law if, in its opinion, the application meets all four requirements under subsection 45(1) of the *Planning Act*. It requires consideration of whether the variance is minor, is desirable for the appropriate development or use of the land, building or structure, and whether the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan and the Zoning By-law are maintained.

Based on the evidence, the Committee is satisfied that the requested variance meets all four requirements under subsection 45(1) of the *Planning Act*.

The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application, highlighting that: "the proposed severance will create two lots that are of similar size to the surrounding residential lots which mostly range from 700 m² to 1,000 m² and will contribute to the Official Plan's density targets." With respect to the reduced lot width, the report also notes that, "the proposed retained lot with a reduced lot width also maintains the intent of the Zoning By-law regarding lot width as the retained lot is a corner lot which only fails to meet the minimum lot width due to an existing sight triangle. Other than lot width, the retained lot is zoning complaint and maintains sufficient space for the existing dwelling with appropriate setbacks characteristic of the neighbourhood."

The Committee also notes that no cogent evidence was presented that the requested variance would result in any unacceptable adverse impact on neighbouring properties.

Considering the circumstances, the Committee finds that, because the proposal fits well in the area, the requested variance is, from a planning and public interest point of view, desirable for the appropriate development or use of the land, building or structure on the property, and relative to the neighbouring lands. The Committee also finds that the requested variance maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan because the proposal respects the character of the neighbourhood. In addition, the Committee finds that the requested variance maintains the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law because the proposal represents orderly development that is compatible with the surrounding area. Moreover, the Committee finds that the requested variance is minor because it will not create any unacceptable adverse impact on abutting properties or the neighbourhood in general.

The Committee therefore authorizes the requested variance.

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#### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL:

To appeal this decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT), a completed appeal form along with payment must be received by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee of Adjustment by **November 3, 2022**, delivered by email at <a href="mailto:cofa@ottawa.ca">cofa@ottawa.ca</a> and/or by mail or courier to the following address:

Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment, 101 Centrepointe Drive, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Ottawa, Ontario, K2G 5K7

The Appeal Form is available on the OLT website at <a href="https://olt.gov.on.ca/">https://olt.gov.on.ca/</a>. The OLT has established a filing fee of \$400.00 per type of application with an additional filing fee of \$25.00 for each secondary application. Payment can be made by certified cheque or money order made payable to the Ontario Minister of Finance, or by credit card. Please indicate on the Appeal Form if you wish to pay by credit card. If you have any questions about the appeal process, please contact the Committee of Adjustment office by calling 613-580-2436 or by email at <a href="mailto:cofa@ottawa.ca">cofa@ottawa.ca</a>.

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Please note that there are no provisions for the Committee of Adjustment or the OLT to extend the statutory deadline to file an appeal. If the deadline is not met, the OLT does not have the authority to hold a hearing to consider your appeal.

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## DECISION SIGNATURE PAGE PAGE DE SIGNATURE DE LA DÉCISION

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Location / Emplacement: 1679 Stittsville Main Street

We, the undersigned, concur in the decision and the reasons set out by the Committee of Adjustment.

Nous, soussignés, souscrivons à la décision et aux motifs rendus par le Comité de dérogation.

"Fabian Poulin"

## FABIAN POULIN VICE-CHAIR / VICE-PRÉSIDENT

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I certify that this is a true copy of the Decision of the Committee of Adjustment of the City of Ottawa.

Je certifie que celle-ci est une copie conforme de la décision rendue par le Comité de dérogation de la Ville d'Ottawa.

Date of Decision / Date de la décision October 14, 2022 / 14 octobre 2022

Michel Bellemare

Secretary-Treasurer / Secrétaire-trésorier