



## **COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA**

### **DECISION** **MINOR VARIANCE / PERMISSION** (Section 45 of the *Planning Act*)

<b>Date of Decision:</b>	October 28, 2022
<b>File No.:</b>	D08-02-22/A-00260
<b>Owners:</b>	Janet Cambell & Scott Doidge
<b>Location:</b>	2074 Knightsbridge Road
<b>Ward:</b>	7 – Bay
<b>Legal Description:</b>	Lot 80, Registered Plan 318915, City of Ottawa
<b>Zoning:</b>	R1PP
<b>Zoning By-law:</b>	2008-250

Notice was given and a Public Hearing was held on **October 19, 2022**, as required by the *Planning Act*.

#### **PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION**

The Owners want to enclose the balcony above the existing garage to create an office space on the second floor, as shown on plans filed with the Committee.

#### **RELIEF REQUIRED**

The Owners require the authority of the Committee for a Minor Variance from the Zoning By-law to permit a reduced front yard setback of 5.3 metres, whereas the By-law requires a minimum front yard setback of 6 metres.

The application indicates that the Property is not the subject of any other current application under the *Planning Act*.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

The Chair administered an oath to Nick Anderson, Agent for the Applicant, who confirmed that the statutory notice posting requirements were satisfied.

The Committee confirmed that the notice should be amended as follows:

The owners require the authority of the Committee for a Minor Variance from the Zoning By-law to permit a reduced front yard setback of 5.3 metres, whereas the By-law requires ~~the~~ **a minimum** front yard setback ~~to be~~ of 6 metres.

With the concurrence of all parties, the application was amended accordingly.

**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. The report highlights that "existing developments along Knightsbridge Road have front yard setbacks between 5.2 metres and 7 metres, which is consistent with the requested relief".

The Committee also notes that no evidence was presented that the 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, because the proposal respects the character of the area, the requested variance maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan. 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 of the property 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, **subject to** the location and size of the proposed construction being in accordance with the plans filed, Committee of Adjustment date stamped September 21, 2022, as they relate to the requested variance.

**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 17, 2022**, delivered by email at [cofa@ottawa.ca](mailto:cofa@ottawa.ca) 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 <https://olt.gov.on.ca/>. 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 [cofa@ottawa.ca](mailto:cofa@ottawa.ca).

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal Decisions in respect of applications for consent to the OLT. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a Member of the Association or group on its behalf.

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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PAGE DE SIGNATURE DE LA DÉCISION**

**File No. / Dossier n°:** D08-02-22/A-00260  
**Owners / Propriétaires:** Janet Cambell & Scott Doidge  
**Location / Emplacement:** 2074 Knightsbridge Road

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.

***“Ann M. Tremblay”***

**ANN M. TREMBLAY  
CHAIR / PRÉSIDENTE**

***“Kathleen Willis”***

**KATHLEEN WILLIS  
MEMBER / MEMBRE**

***“Scott Hindle”***

**SCOTT HINDLE  
MEMBER / MEMBRE**

***“Colin White”***

**COLIN WHITE  
MEMBER / MEMBRE**

***Absent / Absente***

**JULIA MARKOVICH  
MEMBER / MEMBRE**

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 28, 2022 / 28 octobre 2022**



**Michel Bellemare**  
**Secretary-Treasurer / Secrétaire-trésorier**