



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

**DECISION  
CONSENT**

(Section 53 of the *Planning Act*)

**File No.:** D08-01-22/B-00244  
**Owner(s):** Adrian Schouten  
**Location:** 7241 Franktown Road  
**Ward:** 21 - Rideau-Goulbourn  
**Legal Description:** Part of Lot 15, Concession 4 Goulbourn  
**Zoning:** RU  
**Zoning By-law:** 2008-250

Notice was given and a Public Hearing was held on **September 21, 2022**, as required by the *Planning Act*.

**PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION:**

The Owner wants to subdivide their property into two separate parcels of land.

**CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING:**

The Owner requires the Consent of the Committee for a Conveyance.

The land to be severed, shown on a sketch filed with the application, will have a frontage of approximately 211 metres on Franktown Road, an irregular depth of ~~280~~ **310** metres and a lot area of approximately ~~7.7~~ **8.6** hectares. This property contains an existing house, well, and septic, and is known municipally as 7241 Franktown Road.

The lands to be retained, shown on said sketch, will have a frontage of approximately 213 metres on Copeland Road, an irregular depth of approximately ~~1,063~~ **1,033** metres, and a lot area of approximately ~~30~~ **29** hectares. This property is currently vacant agricultural land and will be known municipally as 7260 Copeland Road.

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

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

The Panel Chair administered an oath to Jeff Shipman, Agent for the Applicant, who confirmed that the statutory notice posting requirements were satisfied. Mr. Shipman

requested that the wording of condition no. 6, contained in the report from the Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development (PRED), regarding the registration of a Development Agreement, be amended to refer to the retained parcel rather than the severed portion. Stephan Kukkonen, of PRED, agreed with this amendment.

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

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

Under the *Planning Act*, the Committee has the power to grant a consent if it is satisfied that a plan of subdivision of the land is not necessary for the proper and orderly development of the municipality. Also, the Committee must be satisfied that an application is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement and has regard for matters of provincial interest under section 2 of the Act, as well as the following criteria set out in subsection 51(24):

#### **Criteria**

(24) In considering a draft plan of subdivision, regard shall be had, among other matters, to the health, safety, convenience, accessibility for persons with disabilities and welfare of the present and future inhabitants of the municipality and to,

- (a) the effect of development of the proposed subdivision on matters of provincial interest as referred to in section 2;
- (b) whether the proposed subdivision is premature or in the public interest;
- (c) whether the plan conforms to the official plan and adjacent plans of subdivision, if any;
- (d) the suitability of the land for the purposes for which it is to be subdivided;
  - (d.1) if any affordable housing units are being proposed, the suitability of the proposed units for affordable housing;
- (e) the number, width, location and proposed grades and elevations of highways, and the adequacy of them, and the highways linking the highways in the proposed subdivision with the established highway system in the vicinity and the adequacy of them;
- (f) the dimensions and shapes of the proposed lots;

(g) the restrictions or proposed restrictions, if any, on the land proposed to be subdivided or the buildings and structures proposed to be erected on it and the restrictions, if any, on adjoining land;

(h) conservation of natural resources and flood control;

(i) the adequacy of utilities and municipal services;

(j) the adequacy of school sites;

(k) the area of land, if any, within the proposed subdivision that, exclusive of highways, is to be conveyed or dedicated for public purposes;

(l) the extent to which the plan's design optimizes the available supply, means of supplying, efficient use and conservation of energy; and

(m) the interrelationship between the design of the proposed plan of subdivision and site plan control matters relating to any development on the land, if the land is also located within a site plan control area designated under subsection 41 (2) of this Act or subsection 114 (2) of the *City of Toronto Act, 2006*. 1994, c. 23, s. 30; 2001, c. 32, s. 31 (2); 2006, c. 23, s. 22 (3, 4); 2016, c. 25, Sched. 4, s. 8 (2).

The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application. Based on the evidence, the Committee is satisfied that the proposal is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement that promotes efficient land use and development as well as intensification and redevelopment within built-up areas, based on local conditions. The Committee is also satisfied that the proposal has adequate regard to matters of provincial interest, including the orderly development of safe and healthy communities; the appropriate location of growth and development; and the protection of public health and safety. Additionally, the Committee is satisfied that a plan of subdivision of the land is not necessary for the proper and orderly development of the municipality. Moreover, the Committee is satisfied that the proposal has adequate regard for the criteria specified under subsection 51(24) of the *Planning Act* and is in the public interest.

The Committee therefore grants the provisional consent, subject to the following conditions, **which must be fulfilled within a two-year period from the date of this Decision:**

1. That the Owner enter into an Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s) and to the satisfaction of the **Development Review Manager of the Relevant Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate**, which provides the following covenant/notice that runs with the land and binds future Owner(s) on subsequent transfers:

“The City of Ottawa does not guarantee the quality or quantity of the groundwater. If, at some future date, the quality or the quantity of the groundwater becomes deficient, the City of Ottawa bears no responsibility, financial or otherwise, to provide solutions to the deficiency, such solutions being the sole responsibility of the home owner.”

The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and **written confirmation from City Legal Services** that it has been registered on title.

2. That the Owner enter into an Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s) and to the satisfaction of **Development Review Manager of the relevant Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate**, which provides the following covenant/notice that runs with the land and binds future Owner(s) on subsequent transfers:

“The City of Ottawa has identified that there are potential sensitive marine clay soils and organic soils within the area that may require site specific detailed geotechnical engineering solutions to allow for development, the City of Ottawa bears no responsibility, financial or otherwise, to provide solutions to the deficiency, such solutions being the sole responsibility of the home owner.”

The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title

3. That the Owner(s) convey, if required, at no charge to the City of Ottawa, sufficient frontage across the severed and retained lands to provide for a road right-of-way measuring 15 metres from the centerline of Franktown Road and 13 metres from the centerline of Copeland Road. The Owner(s) must provide to the City Surveyor a copy of the Committee of Adjustment Decision and a draft Reference Plan that sets out the required widening. The Committee requires written confirmation from City Legal Services that the transfer of the widening to the City has been registered.

If the Owner's Surveyor determines that the widening condition has already been satisfied, it must be indicated on the Draft Reference Plan and submitted to the City Surveyor for approval. The Committee requires written confirmation from the City Surveyor confirming that the widening is not required.

If the Owner(s) wish to temporarily retain the existing fence within the widening lands until the City develops the widening lands, the Owner(s) shall enter into (and register, if necessary) an encroachment agreement and/or letter of tolerance to the satisfaction of the General Manager, Planning, Real Estate, and Economic Development. The Committee requires written confirmation from City Legal Services confirming either that a letter of tolerance/encroachment

agreement has been executed (and registered if necessary) or will not be required.

4. That the Owners provide a report, to the satisfaction of the City of Ottawa, demonstrating the adequacy of the aquifer with respect to quality and quantity to support the proposed development, failing which the Owners construct a new well on the retained lot and provide a report, to the satisfaction of the City of Ottawa, to demonstrate the adequacy of the aquifer with respect to quality and quantity to support the proposed development. The report must include a septic impact assessment to evaluate the water quality impact of the on-site septic system on the receiving aquifer.

The Owners' report must demonstrate the following to the City of Ottawa:

- That the construction of any new well on the retained parcel is in accordance with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
- That the quality of the water meets the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Regulations, Standards, Guidelines and Objectives;
- That the quantity of water meets all the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks requirements.
- That the septic impact assessment meets the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks requirements.

A qualified Professional Engineer or Professional Geoscientist must prepare the report. It is the Owner's responsibility to coordinate the person drilling a new well, if required, and the professional noted herein in order to properly satisfy this condition.

The following parameters may be elevated in the bedrock aquifer: fluoride, sodium, chloride, colour, DOC, methane. Note that these parameters have either a health-related drinking water standard or a maximum concentration considered reasonably treatable (as outlined in the City Hydrogeological and Terrain Analysis Guidelines, March 2021) which cannot be exceeded in the raw (untreated) groundwater for approval of new lot creation based on private servicing (private well). It is recommended to sample an existing well prior to installing a new well, in the case that poor water quality is encountered. The hydrogeological consultant should assess the information and provide recommendations related to well depth and construction to maximize the potential of obtaining a suitable water quality.

If the accepted report recommends specific mitigation measures or design requirements, the Owners shall enter into a Development Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owners, which is to be registered on the title of the property, which includes those recommendations. In instances where the subject site has sensitive soils, the drilling of a well or the conveyance of a 30-centimetre

reserve may be required. Both the report and any required Development Agreement shall be prepared to the satisfaction of **Development Review Manager of the Relevant Branch within Planning, Real Estate, and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate.**

The Report shall be prepared as per Procedure D-5-4 "Technical Guideline for Individual On-Site Sewage Systems: Water Quality Impact Risk Assessment" and Procedure D-5-5 "Technical Guideline for Private Wells: Water Supply Assessment".

5. That the Owner(s) provide evidence (payment receipt) to the Committee that payment has been made to the City of Ottawa of Cash-in-lieu of the conveyance of land for park or other public recreational purposes, plus applicable appraisal costs. The value of the land otherwise required to be conveyed shall be determined by the City of Ottawa in accordance with the provisions of By-law No. 2022-280. Information regarding the appraisal process can be obtained by contacting the Planner.
6. That the Owner(s) enter into a Development Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s) and to the satisfaction of the **Development Review Manager of the relevant Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate**, to address the following:
  - a. Identify a Development Envelope for the retained parcel that is located a minimum of 30 metres from any identified unevaluated wetlands.
  - b. Require all future development on the retained parcel, including private services, be contained to the approved Development Envelope unless an Environmental Impact Statement is provided to the satisfaction of the **Development Review Manager of the relevant Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate** and all recommended mitigation measures are implemented.
7. That the Owner(s) file with the Committee a copy of the registered Reference Plan prepared by an Ontario Land Surveyor registered in the Province of Ontario, and signed by the Registrar, **confirming the frontage and area of the severed land. If the Registered Plan does not indicate the lot area, a letter from the Surveyor confirming the area is required.** The Registered Reference Plan must conform substantially to the Draft Reference Plan filed with the Application for Consent.
8. That upon completion of the above conditions, and **within the two-year period outlined above**, the Owner(s) file with the Committee, the "electronic registration in preparation documents" for a Conveyance for which the Consent is required.

**The Consent lapses two years from the date of this Decision.**

All technical studies must be submitted to Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department a minimum of **40 working days** prior to lapsing date of the consent. Should a Development Agreement be required, such request should be initiated **15 working days** prior to lapsing date of the consent and should include all required documentation including the approved technical studies.

Please note that if a major change to a condition or conditions is requested, you will be entitled to receive Notice of the changes only if you have made a written request to be notified.

**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 **October 20, 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.

**NOTICE TO APPLICANT:**

Applicants are advised to take note of comments received from City departments and other technical agencies like Hydro Ottawa and to consult where appropriate.

**DECISION SIGNATURE PAGE  
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**Location / Emplacement:** 7241 Franktown 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.

***"Fabian Poulin"***

**FABIAN POULIN  
VICE-CHAIR / VICE-PRÉSIDENT**

***"Terence Otto"***

**TERENCE OTTO  
MEMBER / MEMBRE**

***"Steven Lewis"***

**STEVEN LEWIS  
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**MARTIN VERVOORT  
MEMBER / MEMBRE**


***"Jocelyn Chandler"***

**JOCELYN CHANDLER  
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***  
**September 29, 2022 / 29 septembre 2022**

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