# **Committee of Adjustment**



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# **DECISION**CONSENT

Section 53 of the Planning Act

**Date of Decision** March 10, 2023

File No(s).: D08-01-23/B-00031

Owner(s): Patricia Hardy-Gruson

**Location:** 475 & 477 Golden **Ward:** 15 – Kitchissippi

**Legal Description:** Lot 15 (East Golden Avenue), Registered Plan 235

**Zoning:** R3R [2687] H (8.5)

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

Hearing Date: March 1, 2023

#### PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

[1] The Owner wants to subdivide the property into two parcels to create separate ownerships for each half of the existing semi-detached dwelling.

### CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING

- [2] The Owner requires the Consent of the Committee for a Conveyance.
- [3] The severed land, shown as Part 1 on the draft 4R plan filed with the application, has a frontage of 8.81 metres, a depth of 33.7 metres and a lot area of 295.4 square metres. This parcel will be known municipally as 475 Golden Avenue and will contain one half of the semi-detached dwelling.
- [4] The retained land, shown as Part 2 on said plan, has a frontage of 11.30 metres, a depth of 34 metres and a lot area of 385.4 square metres. This parcel will be known municipally as 477 Golden Avenue and will contain the other half of the semi-detached dwelling.
- [5] Approval of this application will have the effect of creating two separate parcels of land. The existing walkway on one of the proposed parcels will not be in conformity with the requirements of the Zoning By-law and therefore, Minor Variance Application D08-02-23/A-00024 has been filed and will be heard concurrently with this application.

[6] Approval of this application will have the effect of creating two separate parcels of land for each half of the existing semi-detached dwelling. The existing walkway on one parcel will not be in conformity with the Zoning By-law and therefore, Minor Variance Application (D08-01-23/A-00024) has been filed and will be heard concurrently with this application.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

- [7] The Panel Chair administered an oath to Arjan Soor, Agent for the Applicant, who confirmed that the statutory notice posting requirements were satisfied.
- [8] The Committee requested a condition be added to address their concerns with the deck for 477 Golden that straddles the property line:
  - That the Owner provide evidence to the satisfaction of the **Development Review**Manager of the relevant Branch within the Planning, Real Estate and

    Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee, that the deck at the rear of 477

    Golden Avenue be removed or relocated so that it no longer straddles the property line.
- [9] Christine McCuaig, also representing the Applicant, agreed to the additional condition.

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

- [10] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its Decision.
- [11] 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):

### [12] 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;
- (I) 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).
- [13] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application.
- [14] 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.

- [15] THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT 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 provide evidence to the satisfaction of the Right-of-Way Management Department that the owner has entered into an encroachment agreement with the **City's Legal Services** for the front stairs and the asphalt portion of the walkway extending in front of the stairs. If the owner does not want to proceed with the encroachment agreement, then the stairs will need to be removed from the City's boulevard and the asphalt portion of the walkway in front of the stairs will need to be converted to sod.
  - 2. That the Owner(s) provide proof to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the Central Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee, that each existing parcel has its own independent storm, sanitary and water services connected to City infrastructure and that these services do not cross the proposed severance line. If they do cross or are not independent, the Owner(s) will be required to relocate the existing services or construct new services from the City sewers/watermain, at his/her own cost.
  - 3. That the Owner(s) enter into a Joint Use, Maintenance and Common Elements, at the expense of the Owner(s), setting forth the obligations between the Owner(s) and the proposed future owners.

The Joint Use, Maintenance and Common Elements Agreement shall set forth the joint use and maintenance of all common elements including, but not limited to, the common party walls, common structural elements such as roof, footings, soffits, foundations, common areas, common driveways and common landscaping.

The Owner shall ensure that the Agreement is binding upon all the unit owners and successors in title and shall be to the satisfaction of-Development Review Manager of the Central Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, and City Legal Services. The Committee requires written confirmation that the Agreement is satisfactory to Development Review Manager of the Central Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, and is satisfactory to City Legal Services, as well as a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

- 4. That the owner(s) agree to provide a servicing plan with the locations and diameters of existing protected trees overlaid. If separate services do not exist for each unit, the Owners agree that the location of the proposed services shown on the Grading & Servicing Plan, will be determined based on the least impact to protected trees and tree cover. The Owner(s) further acknowledges and agrees that this review may result in relocation of these structures and agrees to revise their plans accordingly to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the relevant Branch within the Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate. If the Critical Root Zone of any protected tree is impacted by the location of capping or new services, a full Tree Information Report is required.
- 5. That the Owner provide evidence to the satisfaction of the **Development**Review Manager of the relevant Branch within the Planning, Real Estate
  and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, to be
  confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee, that the deck at the
  rear of 477 Golden Avenue be removed or relocated so that it no longer straddles
  the property line.
- 6. 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.
- 7. 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.

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I certify this is a true copy of the Decision of the Committee of Adjustment of the City of Ottawa, dated **March 10, 2023**.

Michel Bellemare Secretary-Treasurer

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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 <a href="March 30">March 30</a>, <a href="mailto:2023">2023</a>, 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 Ontario Land Tribunal 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>.

Only the applicant, the Minister or a specified person or public body that has an interest in the matter may appeal the decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal. A "specified person" does not include an individual or a community association.

There are no provisions for the Committee of Adjustment or the Ontario Land Tribunal 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.

If a major change to condition(s) is requested, you will be entitled to receive Notice of the changes only if you have made a written request to be notified.

## NOTICE TO APPLICANT(S)

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.

Ce document est également offert en français.

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