Committee of Adjustment



Hawa Comité de dérogation

DECISIONCONSENT/SEVERANCE

Date of Decision April 28, 2023

File No(s).: D08-01-23/B-00089

Application: Consent under Section 53 of the *Planning Act*

Owner(s)/Applicant(s): David & Tamara Pittis

Property Address: 2800 St. Stephen's Street

Ward: 7 - Bay

Legal Description: Part of Lot 20, Concession 2, Geographic Township of

Nepean

Zoning: R2G

Zoning By-law: 2008-250

Hearing Date: April 19, 2023

APPLICANTS' PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

[1] The Owners want to subdivide their property into two separate parcels of land to establish separate ownership for each half of the semi-detached dwelling currently under construction.

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 a draft 4R-Plan filed with the application, will have frontage of 7.62 metres, a depth of 30.48 metres and will contain a lot area of 232.3 square metres. This parcel will contain one half of the semi-detached dwelling currently under construction and will be known municipally as 2800 St. Stephen's Street.
- [4] The retained land, shown as Part 2 on a draft 4R-Plan filed with the application, will have frontage of 7.62 metres, a depth of 30.48 metres and will contain a lot area of 232.3 square metres. This parcel will contain one half of the semi-detached dwelling currently under construction and will be known municipally as 2798 St. Stephen's Street.
- [5] The application indicates that the Property is not the subject of any other current application under the *Planning Act*.

PUBLIC HEARING

[6] The Panel Chair administered an oath to Chris Jalkotzy, Agent for the Applicants, who confirmed that the statutory notice posting requirements were satisfied.

Oral Submissions Summary

- [7] City Infill Forester Nancy Young responded to the Committee's questions, confirming that the condition requested in the Planning Report requiring a revised grading plan and tree information report permit could be deleted if a building permit had been issued for the development, as these requirements would have been addressed through the building permit process.
- [8] Mr. Jalkotzy confirmed that a building permit had been issued.
- [9] City Planner Siobhan Kelly was also present.

DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED

Application Must Satisfy Statutory Tests

[10] 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;
- I 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 housinl(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).

Evidence

- [11] Evidence considered by the Committee included any oral submissions made at the hearing, as highlighted above, and the following written submissions held on file with the Secretary-Treasurer and available from the Committee Coordinator upon request:
 - Application and supporting documents including, a cover letter, plans, and tree information
 - City Planning Report received April 14, 2023, with no concerns
 - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email dated April 17, 2023, with no objections
 - Hydro Ottawa email dated April 13, 2023, with no comments

Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [12] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its decision and granted the application.
- [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(s) provide evidence that payment has been made to the City of Ottawa for cash-in-lieu of the conveyance of land for park or other public recreational purposes, plus applicable appraisal costs. The value of land otherwise required to be conveyed shall be determined by the City of Ottawa in accordance with the provisions of By-law 2022-280. Information regarding the appraisal process can be obtained by contacting the Planner.
 - 2. That the Owner/Applicant(s) enter into a Development Agreement or a Letter of Undertaking (LOU) with the City of Ottawa, at the expense of the Owner/Applicant(s), and to the satisfaction of the General Manager of the Planning, Real Estate, and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate. A development agreement is to be registered on Title of the property.
 - a. The Owner(s) agree to provide securities for a period of 2 years following the completion of construction, which is equivalent to the value of the tree(s) to be protected (tree #1). The Owner(s) agree that the security shall be returned to the owner only upon the City having received a report from an arborist or appropriate professional confirming that tree #1 is in good health and condition, and remains structurally stable. The Owner(s) acknowledge and agree that if, in the opinion of the City Forester and/or the Development Review Manager of the relevant Branch within Planning, Real Estate, and Economic Development, the report indicates that tree #1

is declining and must be removed, the Security for that tree, will be forfeited.

- b. The Owner/Applicant(s) shall prepare and submit a tree planting plan, prepared 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, showing the location of one new 50mm tree to be planted on each lot following construction, to enhance the urban tree canopy and/or streetscape where adequate soil volume can be provided.
- 3. That the Owner(s) provide proof to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the West 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.
- 4. That the Owner(s) enter into a Joint Use, Maintenance and Common Elements Agreement, 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 Manager of the West 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 the Development Review Manager of the West 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.

5. That the Owner enter into an Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner, which is to be registered on Title to deal with the covenants/notices that shall run with the land and bind future owners on subsequent transfers;

- a. "The property is located next to lands that have an existing source of environmental noise (arterial road, highway, airport, etc) and may therefore be subject to noise and other activities associated with that use"
- b. The Agreement shall be to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate. The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.
- 6. That the Owner(s) grant to Hydro Ottawa without cost, such easements as may be required, the consent to the registration of which is hereby granted.
- 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 the Conveyance for which the Consent is required.

"Ann M. Tremblay" ANN M. TREMBLAY CHAIR

"Kathleen Willis" KATHLEEN WILLIS MEMBER

"Scott Hindle" SCOTT HINDLE MEMBER

"Colin White"
COLIN WHITE
MEMBER

Absent
JULIA MARKOVICH
MEMBER

I certify this is a true copy of the Decision of the Committee of Adjustment of the City of Ottawa, dated **April 28, 2023**.

Michel Bellemare Secretary-Treasurer

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 May 18, 2023, delivered by email at cofa@ottawa.ca and/or by mail or courier to the following address:

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

The Appeal Form is available on the OLT website at https://olt.gov.on.ca/. 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 cofa@ottawa.ca.

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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