



**CONSENT APPLICATION  
COMMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT  
PANEL 3**

**PLANNING, REAL ESTATE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

Site Address: 7522 Copeland Road  
Legal Description: Part of Lot 12, Concession 4, Geographic Township of  
Goulbourn  
File No.: D08-01-23/B-00134  
Report Date: June 14, 2023  
Hearing Date: June 20, 2023  
Official Plan Designation: Rural Transect, Rural Countryside  
Zoning: RU - Rural Countryside

**Committee of Adjustment**  
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**Comité de dérogation**

**DEPARTMENT COMMENTS**

The Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department **has some concerns with** the application.

**DISCUSSION AND RATIONALE**

The applicant is proposing a lot line adjustment to convey 6 acres of land from the parcel at 7522 Copeland Road to the parcel at 7512 Copeland Road.

Schedule B9 of the Official Plan designates the subject properties as Rural Countryside in the Rural Transect. The Official Plan provides policy direction to protect and enhance rural character; strengthen the rural economy by permitting a diversity of uses that support the local rural community; limit the fragmentation of rural lands and ensure the preservation of health.

Section 4.8.1 of the Official Plan outlines the policies related to the City of Ottawa's Natural Heritage System. Policy (5) states that the City will take a no net loss approach with respect to forest cover outside the urban area and designated villages. Staff have concerns with the proposal for this lot line adjustment which encompasses lands designated as significant woodlands and a water flow path.

The subject lands are zoned Rural Countryside (RU). The owner of 7512 Copeland Road proposes to use the conveyed lands for recreational purposes and proposes no new construction onsite.

Section 53 (12) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, permits the criteria for the subdivision of land listed in Section 51 (24) to be considered when determining whether provisional consent may be granted by a committee of adjustment.

With respect to the criteria listed in Section 51 (24), staff have concerns with the proposed consent. The new lot boundaries for the parcel at 7512 Copeland Road will extend further into the significant woodlands. Staff request that the Owner complete a Scoped EIS form that outlines whether there are any species at risk have been identified on the property and that the proposed lot line adjustment has no impacts on the natural features.

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

### Building Code Services

- Building code services have no comments or concerns with this application.

### Right of Way

- The Right-of-Way Management Department has **no concerns** with the proposed Lot Line Adjustment, as there are no requested changes to the private approach/driveway.

## CONDITIONS

If approved, the Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department requests that the Committee of Adjustment impose the following condition(s) on the application:

1. That the Owner file with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee of Adjustment the following:
  - a. A copy of the Reference Plan and/or legal description of the severed land and the deed or instrument conveying the severed land to the owner of the abutting property to the north, known municipally as 7512 Copeland Road, so that no new lot is being created, in accordance with paragraph (b) below;
  - b. A Certificate of Official attached to the deed/transfer required by paragraph (a) above containing the following endorsement:

“The lands to be severed are for the purpose of a lot addition only to the abutting lands owned by Ian Watson described as PIN 044400322 being Part(s) *(insert numbers)* on Plan (insert 4R Plan), not for the creation of a new lot, and any subsequent transfer, charge or other transaction involving the lands to be severed shall be subject to compliance with Section 50(3) or Section 50(5) of the Planning Act, as applicable. Neither the lands to be severed nor the abutting lands are to be transferred, charged or otherwise re-conveyed in the future without the other parcel unless a further consent is obtained. The Owner shall cause the lands to be severed to be consolidated on title with the abutting lands and for this condition to be entered on the parcel register for the consolidated parcel as a restriction”;
  - c. An Undertaking from a solicitor authorized to practice law in the Province of Ontario, and in good standing with the Law Society of Upper Canada, as follows:

“In consideration of, and notwithstanding the issuance of the Certificate under Section 50(12) of the Planning Act in respect to the subject Application for Consent, I undertake on behalf of the Owner, within **30 days** of the registration on title of the transfer document containing the endorsement set out in the Certificate of Official issued by the Committee of Adjustment, to file an Application to Consolidate Parcels including the severed land (Part of PIN 044400323) and the abutting land (PIN 044400322). This PIN consolidation is intended to reinforce the Planning Act stipulation in the condition outlined above that both parcels have merged on Title and cannot be conveyed separately in the future. I further undertake to forward a copy of the registered Application to Consolidate Parcels and a copy of the Consolidated Parcel abstract page(s) to the Committee office within 21 days of the registration of the Application to Consolidate Parcels”.

- d. Where the parcel consolidation stipulated in paragraph (b) and the solicitor’s Undertaking in paragraph (c) above cannot be reasonably completed because the parcels of land to be merged have different estate qualifiers, an Application to Annex Restrictive Covenant under Section 118 of the *Land Titles Act* must be registered on the Title of both the severed lands and on the abutting parcel that is to be merged. The Covenant, which is to be to the satisfaction of the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee, shall advise all future purchasers that the parcels must be dealt with together and not separately, and contain wording set out below or similar wording acceptable to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee:

“These lands have been merged and may not be dealt with separately, without applying for a Consent of the Committee of Adjustment”.

In lieu of the Undertaking provided in paragraph (c), a replacement Undertaking by the solicitor must be filed undertaking on behalf of the Owner to register the Restrictive Covenant on both property Titles within 30 days of the registration of the transfer document containing the endorsement of the Certificate of Official issued by the Committee of Adjustment for this application and to file a copy of the registered Restrictive Covenant with the Committee within 21 days of the registration of the document.

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 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 homeowner.”

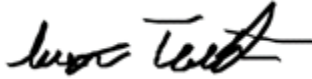
The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

3. That the Owner enter into an Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s) and to the satisfaction of **Development Review Manager of the Rural 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 thin soils and inferred karst topography 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 homeowner.”

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

4. That the Owner acknowledges and agrees to convey to the City, at no cost to the City, an unencumbered road widening across the complete frontage of the lands, measuring 13 meters from the existing centerline of pavement/the abutting right-of-way along Copeland Road, pursuant to Section 50.1(25)(c) of the Planning Act and Schedule C16 of the City’s new Official Plan. The exact widening must be determined by legal survey. The Owner shall provide a reference plan for registration, indicating the widening, to the City Surveyor for review and approval prior to its deposit in the Land Registry Office. Such reference plan must be tied to the Horizontal Control Network in accordance with the municipal requirements and guidelines for referencing legal surveys. 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. All costs shall be borne by the Owner.
5. That the Owner(s) prepares and submits a Scoped Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to satisfaction of the General Manager of the Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate. If the accepted report recommends specific mitigation measures or other requirements, the Owner shall enter into a Development Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s) and to the satisfaction of the General Manager of the Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, which is to be registered on the title of the property, which includes those recommendations.



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