Committee of Adjustment



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DECISION MINOR VARIANCE / PERMISSION

Date of Decision: December 22, 2023

Panel: 1 - Urban

File No(s).: D08-02-23/A-00262

Application: Minor Variance under section 45 of the *Planning Act*

Owner(s)/Applicant(s): Richcraft Highrise Rental Limited Partnership

Property Address: 79 Lyndale Avenue **Ward:** 15 - Kitchissippi

Legal Description: Part of Lot 11, West Forward Avenue, Registered Plan

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Zoning: R4UD **Zoning By-law:** 2008-250

Hearing Date: December 13, 2023, in person and by videoconference

APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

[1] The Owner wants to construct a detached dwelling, as shown on plans filed with the Committee. The existing dwelling will be demolished.

REQUESTED VARIANCES

- [2] The Owner/Applicant requires the Committee's authorization for minor variances from the Zoning By-law as follows:
 - a) To permit a reduced lot area of 167.8 square metres, whereas the By-law requires a minimum lot area of 225 square metres.
 - b) To permit a reduced front yard setback of 2.3 metres, whereas the By-law requires a minimum front yard setback of 4.5 metres.
 - c) To permit a reduced rear yard setback of 7.8% of the lot depth or 0.3 metres, whereas the By-law requires that the minimum required rear yard setback is 25% of the lot depth or 3.82 metres.
 - d) To permit a reduced rear yard area of 7.8% of the lot area or 3.3 square metres, whereas the By-law required a minimum rear yard area of 25% of the lot area or, in this case, 42 square metres.

PUBLIC HEARING

Oral Submissions Summary

[3] Matthew McElligott, Agent for the Applicant, and City Planner Margot Linker were present.

DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED

Application Must Satisfy Statutory Four-Part Test:

[4] 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.

Evidence

- [5] 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, tree information, and a sign posting declaration.
 - City Planning Report received December 7, 2023, with no concerns.
 - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email dated December 7, 2023, with no objections.
 - Hydro Ottawa email dated December 6, 2023, with comments.

Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [6] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its decision and granted the application.
- [7] Based on the evidence, the Committee is satisfied that the requested variances meet all four requirements under subsection 45(1) of the *Planning Act*.
- [8] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application.
- [9] The Committee also notes that no evidence was presented that the variances would result in any unacceptable adverse impact on neighbouring properties.

- [10] Considering the circumstances, the Committee finds that, because the proposal fits well in the area, the requested variances are, 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.
- [11] The Committee also finds that the requested variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan because the proposal respects the character of the neighbourhood.
- [12] In addition, the Committee finds that the requested variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law because the proposal represents orderly development on the property that is compatible with the surrounding area.
- [13] Moreover, the Committee finds that the requested variances, both individually and cumulatively, are minor because they will not create any unacceptable adverse impact on abutting properties or the neighbourhood in general.
- [14] THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT therefore authorizes the requested variances, **subject to** the location and size of the proposed construction being in accordance with the plans filed, Committee of Adjustment date stamped October 10, 2023, as they relate to the requested variances.

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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 **December 22, 2023**

Michel Bellemare Secretary-Treasurer

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

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