# **Committee of Adjustment**



# Comité de dérogation

# DECISION MINOR VARIANCE / PERMISSION

Date of Decision: May 10, 2024

Panel: 1 - Urban

File No(s).: D08-02-24/A-00073

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

Owner(s)/Applicant(s): Altira Realty Corp.

Property Address: 2410 Carlsen Avenue

Ward: 17 – Capital

**Legal Description:** Part of Lot 8, Registered Plan 301

Zoning: R3A

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

**Heard:** May 1, 2024, in person and by videoconference

# APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

[1] The Owner wants to construct a semi-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 width of 7.62 metres, whereas the By-law requires a minimum lot width of 9 metres.
  - b) To permit a reduced lot area of 232.3 square metres of the lot area, whereas the By-law requires a minimum lot area of 270 square metres.
- [3] The application indicates that the Property is not the subject of any other current application under the *Planning Act*.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

# **Oral Submissions Summary**

[4] Muhanad Joudeh, Agent for the Applicant, and City Planner Penelope Horn were present.

# DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED

# **Application Must Satisfy Statutory Four-Part Test**

[5] 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**

- [6] 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 cover letter, plans, tree information report, tree planting plan, photos of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
  - City Planning Report received April 25, 2024, with no concerns; received April 30, 2024, with no concerns.
  - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email received April 29, 2024, with no objections.
  - Hydro Ottawa email received April 23, 2024, with comments.
  - Building Code Services email received April 19, 2024, with comments.
  - R. Lantos, resident, email received April 30, 2024, in opposition; received May 1, 2024, in opposition.

### Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [7] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its decision and granted the application.
- [8] Based on the evidence, the Committee is satisfied that the requested variances meet all four requirements under subsection 45(1) of the *Planning Act*.
- [9] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application, highlighting that "[t]he relief required is not anticipated to create negative impacts on the surrounding properties and will result in a development that is desirable for the area."

- [10] The Committee also notes that no compelling evidence was presented that the variances would result in any unacceptable adverse impact on neighbouring properties.
- [11] 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.
- [12] 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.
- [13] 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.
- [14] Moreover, the Committee finds that the requested variances are minor because they will not create any unacceptable adverse impact on abutting properties or the neighbourhood in general.
- [15] THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT therefore authorizes the requested variances.

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Michel Bellemare Secretary-Treasurer

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