

DECISION CONSENT/SEVERANCE

Date of Decision	July 28, 2023
Panel:	1 - Urban
File No(s):	D08-01-23/B-00146 & D08-01-23/B-00147
Application:	Consent under Section 53 of the <i>Planning Act</i>
Owner(s)/Applicant(s):	Bridget & Regina Thompson
Property Address:	77 & 79 Bellwood Avenue
Ward:	17 - Capital
Legal Description:	Lot 151, Registered Plan 118266
Zoning:	R3P
Zoning By-law:	2008-250
Hearing Date:	July 19, 2023, in person and by videoconference

APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATIONS

- [1] In 2018, the Committee of Adjustment approved Consent Applications (D08-01-18/B-00316 & D08-01-18/B-00317) pertaining to the development of this property, which were not completed within the statutory timeframe. The Owners are now reapplying to subdivide their property into two separate parcels of land to create separate ownerships for each half of the existing semi-detached dwelling.

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING

- [2] The Owner requires the Committee's consent to sever the property. The property is shown as Part 1 and Part 2 on a Draft 4R-Plan filed with the applications and the separate parcels will be as follows:

File No.	Frontage	Depth	Area	Part No.	Municipal Address
B-00146	5.27 m	30.48 m	160.63 157.8 sq. m	Part 1	77 Bellwood Ave
B-00147	6.32 m	30.47 m	192.57 195.4 sq. m	Part 2	79 Bellwood Ave

PUBLIC HEARING**Oral Submissions Summary**

- [3] Bridget Thompson, one of the Owners of the property, confirmed that the applications are identical to those that were previously approved by the Committee.
- [4] The Panel Chair noted that the dimensions of the proposed lots should be amended as follows:

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- [5] With the agreement of Ms. Thompson, the applications were amended accordingly.
- [6] City Planner Margot Linker confirmed that she had no concerns with the applications.
- [7] Ms. Thompson confirmed that she no concerns with the City's requested conditions of provisional consent.
- [8] Following the public hearing, the Committee reserved its decision.

**DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATIONS GRANTED,
AS AMENDED**

Applications Must Satisfy Statutory Tests

- [9] Under the *Planning Act*, the Committee has the power to grant 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;
- (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;
- (l) 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

[10] Evidence considered by the Committee included all 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:

- Applications and supporting documents, including a cover letter, plans, a parcel register, a photo of the posted sign and a sign posting declaration.
- City Planning Report received July 13, 2023, with no concerns; Revised Planning Report received July 17, 2023, with no concerns.
- Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email dated July 11, 2023, with no objections.
- Hydro Ottawa email dated, July 14, 2023 with comments.
- Ministry of Transportation email dated July 6, 2023, with no comments.

Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [11] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the applications in making its decision and granted the application.
- [12] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the applications, highlighting that the proposal is compliant with the Zoning By-law.
- [13] 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.
- [14] 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. The Owner acknowledges and agrees to enter into a permanent Encroachment Agreement to permit the encroachment of the dwelling (77 Bellwood Ave) located within the City-maintained laneway. The Owner shall, at its expense, provide a reference plan for registration, indicating the existing encroachments, and the Owner shall submit the draft reference plan to the City's Surveyor for review and approval prior to its deposit in the Land Registry Office. The Owner further acknowledges and agrees that the cost of preparation and registration of the

Encroachment Agreement will be borne by the Owner. If the Owner(s) provide proof that the subject encroachment has been removed, this condition shall be deemed as fulfilled.

2. That the Owner(s) provide evidence to the satisfaction of both the **Chief Building Official and Central Development Review Manager, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or designates**, that both severed and retained parcels have their own independent water, and sanitary as appropriate, and that these services do not cross the proposed severance line and are connected directly to City infrastructure. Further, the Owner(s) shall comply to 7.1.5.4(1) of the Ontario Building Code, O. Reg. 332/12 as amended. If necessary, a plumbing permit shall be obtained from Building Code Services for any required alterations.
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 **Central 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 **Central 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) 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 Applications for Consent.
5. 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 Conveyances 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 **July 28, 2023**.



Cheryl Williams
Acting 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 **August 17, 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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