

**DECISION
CONSENT/SEVERANCE**

Date of Decision	January 26, 2024
Panel:	2 - Suburban
File No(s):	D08-01-23/B-00293
Application:	Consent under Section 53 of the <i>Planning Act</i>
Owner(s)/Applicant(s):	Centurion Appelt (Ranger Portfolio) GP Inc.
Property Address:	1 Centrepointe Drive
Ward:	8 – College
Legal Description:	Part of Lot 35 Concession 2 RF
Zoning:	MC F (2.0) H (34)
Zoning By-law:	2008-250
Hearing Date:	January 16, 2024, in person and by videoconference

APPLICANT’S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

- [1] The Owner wants to subdivide their property into two separate parcels of land to create one new lot for future development. The existing four storey medical building and associated surface parking will remain.

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING

- [2] The Owner requires the Committee’s consent to sever land.
- [3] The Severed Land is shown as Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4 on a draft 4R Plan filed with the application. This lot will have a frontage of 137.39 metres, a depth of 66.47 metres and a lot area of 2,540.02 square metres. This lot will be known municipally as 65 Gemini Way.
- [4] The retained land shown as Parts of Blocks 22 and 23 on 4M-623 will have a frontage of 303.32 metres, a depth of 66.47 metres and an area of 1.15 hectares. This lot will be known municipally as 75 Gemini Way.
- [5] The property is subject to an existing easement as in LT614772.

PUBLIC HEARING

Oral Submissions Summary

- [6] Thomas Freeman, Agent for the Applicant, noted that City Staff had agreed to waive conditions 1, 3, and 4 for cash in lieu of parkland, a noise attenuation study and the registration of an agreement regarding environmental noise, as noted in the City's Planning report, and proposed revised wording for condition 2 for a servicing plan. Mr. Freeman confirmed he agreed with all other requested conditions.
- [7] City Planner Shahira Jalal confirmed that requested conditions 1, 3, and 4 would be dealt with at the site control plan stage and could therefore be removed. She also confirmed the revised wording for condition 2.
- [8] In response to questions from the Committee, Brian Casagrande, acting Agent for the Applicant, highlighted that the servicing condition had been altered to allow for a blanket easement, if required.
- [9] City Planner Stream Shen noted that revised wording was created as a technical amendment to ensure the lot remains in compliance with legislation.
- [10] Following the public hearing, the Committee reserved its decision.

DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED

Application Must Satisfy Statutory Tests

- [11] 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;

- 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

[12] 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:

- Application and supporting documents, including cover letter, plans, tree information report, a photo of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
- Revised City Planning Report received January 12, 2024, with no concerns.
- Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email received January 10, 2024, with no objections.
- Hydro Ottawa email received December 21, 2023, with no concerns.
- Hydro One email received December 15, 2023, with no concerns.
- Building Code Services email received December 15, 2023, with no concerns.
- Ministry of Transportation email received December 19, 2023, with no concerns.

Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [13] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its decision and granted the application.
- [14] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application, highlighting that it is "consistent with OP policies on the subject site, as the consent will contribute to higher density and close proximity to complimentary uses."
- [15] 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.
- [16] 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 a servicing plan or other evidence, 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 building and/or unit on the severed and retained parcels has its own independent water, sanitary and sewer connection, as appropriate, that are directly connected to City infrastructure and do not cross the proposed severance line.

If they do not connect directly or are not independent, and there is sufficient justification for the service locations to remain, the Owner(s), if required, must obtain Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Conservation and Parks (Environmental Compliance Approval – ECA), must obtain the approval of the Committee to grant easement(s) as required for access and maintenance of the services, and must register a Joint Use and Maintenance Agreement, between the Owners of the services, on the title of the property, all at his/her own costs

2. That the Owner(s) shall provide evidence that a grading and drainage plan, prepared by a qualified Civil Engineer licensed in the Province of Ontario, an Ontario Land Surveyor or a Certified Engineering Technologist, has been submitted to the satisfaction of the **Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate**, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee. The grading and drainage plan shall delineate existing and proposed grades for both the severed and retained properties, to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Infrastructure and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate.
3. Pursuant to Section 50.1(25)(c) of the Planning Act and Schedule C16 of the Official Plan, 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 21 metres from the existing centreline of pavement/the abutting right-of-way. 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.

The Owner is advised that the required road widening described above may be reduced or waived under certain situations, as described in Schedule C16 s.2.1.1 (c) of the Official Plan or where the right-of-way requirement exceeds the front yard setback or corner side yard setback, or where an existing building or structure encroaches into the required road widening, as of the day the Consent to Sever application was deemed complete, as applicable, and

determined by the **Director, Transportation Planning, Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department.**

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 Application 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 a Conveyance for which the Consent is required.

Absent
FABIAN POULIN
VICE-CHAIR

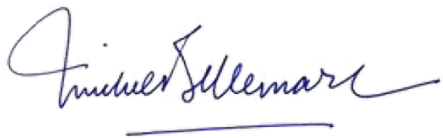
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I certify this is a true copy of the Decision of the Committee of Adjustment of the City of Ottawa, dated **January 26, 2024.**



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 **February 15, 2024**, 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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