Committee of Adjustment



Comité de dérogation

DECISION CONSENT/SEVERANCE

Date of Decision May 24, 2024 **Panel:** 2 - Suburban

File Nos.: D08-01-24/B-00065 & D08-01-24/B-00066
Application: Consent under Section 53 of the *Planning Act*

Owner/Applicant: Roberto Campagna
Property Address: 183 Woodroffe Avenue

Ward: 7 - Bay

Legal Description: Lot 6 and Part of Lot 7, Registered Plan 389

Zoning: R4D

Zoning By-law: 2008-250

Heard: May 14, 2024, in person and by videoconference

APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATIONS

[1] The Owner/Applicant wants to subdivide their property into two separate parcels of land for the construction of two, three-storey long semi-detached dwellings, with two additional dwelling units to each principal dwelling, for a total of six units on each parcel. The existing dwelling will be demolished.

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING

[2] The Applicant requires the Committee's consent to sever land, to grant of easements/rights of way and for a joint-use and maintenance agreement. The property is shown as Parts 1 to 4 on a draft 4R-Plan filed with the applications and the separate parcels will be as follows:

Table 1 Proposed Parcels

File No.	Frontage	Depth	Area	Part No.	Municipal Address
B-00065	11.43 m	31.7 m	362.4 sq. m	1 & 2	181 & 183 Woodroffe
B-00066	11.43 m	31.72 m	362.5 sq. m	3 & 4	185 & 187 Woodroffe

[3] It is proposed to establish reciprocal easements/rights of way over Part 2 in favour of Parts 3 and 4 and over Part 3 in favour of Parts 1 and 2 for shared driveway access.

[4] Approval of these applications will have the effect of creating separate parcels of land for the construction of two long semi-detached dwellings that will not be in conformity with the requirements of the Zoning By-law and therefore, minor variance applications (File Nos. D08-02-24/A-00089 & D0-02-24/A-00090) have been filed and will be heard concurrently with these applications.

PUBLIC HEARING

Oral Submissions Summary

- [5] Arjan Soor and Murray Chown, Agents for the Applicant, provided a slide presentation, a copy of which is on file with the Secretary-Treasurer and available from the Committee Coordinator upon request.
- [6] Mr. Soor summarized the revisions made to the plans on file, including changes to the front façade intended to ensure the retention of an existing tree in the front yard, and increased interior side yard setbacks to provide adequate space for servicing to the rear units. In response to a question from the Committee, Mr. Soor confirmed that he was in agreement with the City's requested conditions of provisional consent.
- [7] City Planner Samantha Gatchene was also present and stated the City had no concerns with the applications.
- [8] Following the public hearing, the Committee reserved its decision.

DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATIONS GRANTED

Application(s) Must Satisfy Statutory Tests

[9] 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;
 - 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;
- I) 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 cover letter, plans, tree information, parcel register, photo of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
- City Planning Report received May 13, 2024, with no concerns; received May 8, 2024, requesting an adjournment.
- Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email received May 10, 2024, with no objections.
- Ontario Ministry of Transportation email received April 30, 2024, with no comments.
- Ottawa Carleton District School Board email received May 8, 2024, with comments.
- Hydro One email received May 8, 2024, with 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 applications.
- [12] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the applications, subject to the requested conditions agreed to by the Applicant's Agent.
- [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:
 - That the Owner(s) provide evidence that payment has been made to the City of Ottawa for cash-in-lieu of the conveyance of land for park or other public recreational purposes, plus applicable appraisal costs. The value of land otherwise required to be conveyed shall be determined by the City of Ottawa in

accordance with the provisions of By-Law No. 2022-280, as amended. Information regarding the appraisal process can be obtained by contacting the Planner.

- 2. That the Owners provide a combined Grading & Drainage Plan and Site Servicing Plan including, where applicable, the tree locations and protection recommendations from the approved Tree Information Report, to the satisfaction of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designates, the plans can be shown on one sheet or multiple sheets, but must include the following information: The Grading and Drainage Plan must be prepared by a relevant professional: Professional Engineer (P.Eng.), Certified Engineering Technologist (CET), Ontario Land Surveyor (OLS), Professional Landscape Architect (OLA), or Professional Architect (OAA) and adhere to the following;
 - a. Minimum Grading and Servicing Plan Specifications Infill Serviced Lots
 - b. City of Ottawa Standard Drawings, By-laws, and Guidelines, as amended.

The Site Servicing Plan must be prepared by a relevant professional: Professional Engineer (P.Eng.), Certified Engineering Technologist (CET), or Ontario Land Surveyor (OLS) and adhere to the requirements as noted for the Grading & Drainage Plan.

In the case of a vacant parcel being created, the plan(s) must show a conceptual building envelope to establish that the lot can be graded to a sufficient and legal outlet, has access to services with adequate capacity, and follows the recommendations of the Tree Information Report.

The following information from the Tree Information Report must be included on both the Grading and Servicing Plans to ensure that these elements are designed to follow the recommendations within the TIR:

- c. Surveyed locations of all protected trees on and adjacent to the subject site
- d. Location of tree protection fencing
- e. Measurements from the tree(s) trunks to nearest limit of excavation or grade changes
- f. Any notes related to excavation or grade changes within the Critical Root Zone, as recommended in the TIR (e.g. use of hydrovac, directional boring, or capping of services outside of the Critical Root Zone).
- g. Proposed planting locations from the associated Tree Planting Plan, if provided.
- 3. That the Owner(s) provide(s) a Grading and Servicing Plan and Site Plan with the proposed elements (services, retaining walls, etc.), and the capping location of existing services, designed and located to ensure the adequate protection of

Protected Trees as identified in the Tree Information Report. The Owner(s) further acknowledge(s) and agree(s) that this review may result in relocation of these structures and agrees to revise their plans accordingly to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate(s). The Tree Information Report may require revision to reflect these changes.

- 4. That the Owner/Applicant(s) provide a signed letter of permission from the owner(s) of identified adjacent or boundary tree(s), for the proposed removal or operations impacting the tree(s). The owner/applicant(s) acknowledge(s) that a tree removal permit cannot be issued without the permission of all owners of a tree, and that the development plan must be revised to allow for the retention and protection of the adjacent or boundary trees if this letter cannot be produced.
- 5. The Owner/Applicant(s) shall prepare and submit a tree planting plan, prepared to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate(s), showing the location(s), species or ultimate size of the specified number of compensation trees (50 mm caliper) required under the Tree Protection By-law, assuming that all proposed tree removals are permitted.
- 6. That the Owner(s) provide proof to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee, that the existing dwelling/building has been removed.
- 7. That the Owner(s) provide evidence to the satisfaction of both the Chief Building Official and Manager of Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or designates, that both severed and retained parcels have their own independent water, sanitary and storm connection 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.
- 8. That the Owner(s) submit a Stormwater Management Brief prepared by a Professional Civil Engineer licensed in the Province of Ontario, demonstrating a design for controlling post-development stormwater peak flows to predevelopment peak flows for all stormwater events up to the 100 year storm event, to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or his/her designate, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee,

If the Stormwater Management Brief includes infiltration techniques, the Owner(s) must submit a supporting Geotechnical Brief prepared by a Professional Civil Engineer licensed in the Province of Ontario, for approval by the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Department, or their designate.

The Owner(s) acknowledges and agrees to enter into a Development Agreement with the City to construct the required stormwater system, including posting required securities. A copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title, shall be forwarded to the Committee of Adjustment.

If applicable, the Owner(s) shall obtain an Environmental Compliance Approval from the Ontario Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks.

The owners acknowledge and agree that should the stormwater management system cross property lines or access to the system be over multiple properties, that the owner will seek approval of the Committee to grant easement(s) for access and maintenance of the stormwater system or register a Joint Use and Maintenance Agreement on title of the properties, all at the owner(s) costs.

9. That the Owner(s) enter into a Joint Use, Maintenance and Operating Agreement, 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 Operating 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 Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within Planning, Development and Building Services Department Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate, and City Legal Services. The Committee requires written confirmation that the Agreement is satisfactory to Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their 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.

10. The Owner(s) shall prepare a noise attenuation study in compliance with the City of Ottawa Environmental Noise Control Guidelines to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or his/her designate. The

Owner(s) shall enter into an agreement with the City that requires the Owner to implement any noise control (and vibration if applicable) attenuation measures recommended in the approved study. The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

11. That the Owner enter into an Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner, which is to be registered on Title to deal with the covenants/notices that shall run with the land and bind future owners on subsequent transfers;

"The property is located next to lands that have an existing source of environmental noise (arterial road – Woodroffe Avenue) and may therefore be subject to noise and other activities associated with that use."

The Agreement shall be to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate. The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

- 12. 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 Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the, or their 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 Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate.
- 13. That the Owner(s) enter into a Development Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s) and to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate, to require that an asphalt overlay will be installed, at the Owner(s) expense, on Woodroffe Street, fronting the subject lands, over the entire public driving surface area within the limits of the overlay, if the approved Site Servicing Plan shows three or more cuts within the pavement surface. The overlay must be carried out to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate. The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title. If the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within the Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate determines that a Development Agreement requiring an asphalt overlay is no longer necessary, this condition shall be deemed as fulfilled.

- 14. 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 Woodroffe pursuant to Section 50.1(25)(c) of the Planning Act and Schedule C16 of the City's new Official Plan, if required. 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.
- 15. 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.
- 16. 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, grants of easement and joint-use and maintenance agreement 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 **MAY 24, 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 **JUNE 13**, **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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