## **Committee of Adjustment**



## Comité de dérogation

# DECISION CONSENT/SEVERANCE

Date of Decision: November 15, 2024

Panel: 2 - Suburban

**File No.:** D08-01-24/B-00178

**Application:** Consent under Section 53 of the *Planning Act* 

**Applicant:** The Incumbent Rector and Wardens of the Church of St.

Thomas the Apostle and The Incorporated Synod of the

Diocese of Ottawa

Property Address: 2262 Braeside

Ward: 18 - Alta Vista

**Legal Description:** Part of Block N, Registered Plan 552

**Zoning:** I1A [2822] **Zoning By-law:** 2008-250

**Hearing Date:** November 5, 2024, in person and by videoconference

### APPLICANTS' PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

[1] The Applicants want to enter into a long-term lease for a period of more than 21 years. A three-storey retirement home is proposed to be constructed on the leased land, located in the eastern corner of the property. The existing building in this location will be demolished

## CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING

- [2] The Applicants require the Committee's consent for a long-term lease.
- [3] The subject property is shown as Parts 1 to 9 on Plan 4R-22964 and has a lot area of 8,543.7 square metres and contains the St. Thomas Apostle Church and rectory building.
- [4] The leased lands, shown as Parts 8 and 9 on said plan, will have a frontage of 40.49 metres along Braeside Avenue, a depth of 28.26 metres, and a lot area of 1,144 square metres. This parcel contains the existing rectory building, which is to be demolished, and will contain the proposed three-storey retirement home known municipally as 2345 Alta Vista Drive.

[5] The leased lands are subject to an easement as in Instrument N480412.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

## **Oral Submissions Summary**

- [6] Greg Stallard, Agent for the Applicant, and City Planner Penelope Horn were present.
- [7] There were no objections to granting this unopposed application as part of the Panel's fast-track consent agenda.

## DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED

## **Application Must Satisfy Statutory Tests**

[8] 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;
  - 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;
- i) 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;
- 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**

- [9] 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, parcel register, tree information, photo of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
  - City Planning Report received October 31, 2024, with concerns.
  - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email dated November 1, 2024, with no objections.
  - Hydro Ottawa email dated November 1, 2024, with no comments.

- Hydro One email dated October 30, 2024, with no comments.
- Ontario Ministry of Transportation email dated October 18, 2024, with no comments.

### **Effect of Submissions on Decision**

- [10] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its decision and granted the application.
- [11] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application.
- [12] 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.
- [13] 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) 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 leased 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.
  - 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 long-term lease for which the Consent is required.

## "Fabian Poulin" FABIAN POULIN VICE-CHAIR

*"Jay Baltz"* JAY BALTZ MEMBER "George Barrett"
GEORGE BARRETT
MEMBER

"Heather MacLean" HEATHER MACLEAN MEMBER "Julianne Wright"
JULIANNE WRIGHT
MEMBER

I certify this is a true copy of the Decision of the Committee of Adjustment of the City of Ottawa, dated **November 15, 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 **December 5**, **2024**, delivered by email at <a href="mailto:cofa@ottawa.ca">cofa@ottawa.ca</a> and/or by mail or courier to the following address:

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

The Appeal Form is available on the OLT website at <a href="https://olt.gov.on.ca/">https://olt.gov.on.ca/</a>. 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 <a href="mailto:cofa@ottawa.ca">cofa@ottawa.ca</a>.

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 **30 working days** prior to lapsing date of the consent and should include all required documentation including that related to transfers, easements, and postponements, and all approved technical studies. If you do not fulfill the conditions of provisional consent within the two-year period, the *Planning Act* provides that your application "shall be deemed to be refused".

Ce document est également offert en français.

Committee of Adjustment
City of Ottawa
Ottawa.ca/CommitteeofAdjustment
cofa@ottawa.ca
613-580-2436



Comité de dérogation
Ville d'Ottawa
Ottawa.ca/Comitedederogation
cded@ottawa.ca
613-580-2436