**Committee of Adjustment** 



Comité de dérogation

# DECISION MINOR VARIANCE

Date of Decision:	November 29, 2024
Panel:	2 - Suburban
File No.:	D08-02-24/A-00267
Application:	Minor Variance under section 45 of the <i>Planning Act</i>
Applicants	James and Ellen Brohman
Property Address:	1880 Kilborn Avenue
Ward:	18 - Alta Vista
Legal Description	Lot 5, Registered Plan 799
Zoning:	R10
Zoning By-law:	2008-250
Heard:	November 19, 2024, in person and by videoconference

# APPLICANTS' PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION

[1] The Applicants want to convert the existing garage and second-storey living space above to an additional dwelling unit, as shown on plans filed with the Committee.

### **REQUESTED VARIANCE**

- [2] The Applicants seek the Committee's authorization for the following minor variance from the Zoning By-law:
  - a) To permit zero parking spaces in the attached garage and to allow a front yard parking space located in the existing driveway.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Oral Submissions Summary**

[3] James Brohman, one of the Applicants, was in attendance.

- [4] The Panel Chair noted that an amendment to the wording of the requested minor variance was suggested by City Planning staff. City Planner Penelope Horn explained that the amended wording would ensure that the variance reflected the proposal as described in the Applicants' cover letter, and that the Applicants would continue to park in the existing driveway.
- [5] With all parties in agreement, the application was amended as follows:
  - a) To permit zero parking spaces, whereas the By-law requires a minimum of one parking space. in the attached garage and to allow a front yard parking space located in the existing driveway.
- [6] Following the public hearing, the Committee reserved its decision.

## DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED, AS AMENDED

### Application(s) Must Satisfy Statutory Four-Part Test

[7] 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

- [8] 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, photo of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
  - City Planning Report received November 14, 2024, with no concerns.
  - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email dated November 14, 2024, with no objections.
  - Hydro Ottawa email dated November 15, 2024, with comments.
  - Ontario Ministry of Transportation email dated November 5, 2024, with no concerns.

## Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [9] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its decision and granted the application.
- [10] Based on the evidence, the Committee is satisfied that the requested variance meets all four requirements under subsection 45(1) of the *Planning Act*.
- [11] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application.
- [12] The Committee also notes that no evidence was presented that the variance would result in any unacceptable adverse impact on neighbouring properties.
- [13] Considering the circumstances, the Committee finds that, because the proposal fits well in the area, the requested variance is, 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.
- [14] The Committee also finds that the requested variance maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan because the proposal supports intensification in the Outer Urban Transect and respects the character of the neighbourhood.
- [15] In addition, the Committee finds that the requested variance maintains the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law because the proposal represents orderly development that is compatible with the surrounding area.
- [16] Moreover, the Committee finds that the requested variance, both individually and cumulatively, are minor because they will not create any unacceptable adverse impact on abutting properties or the neighbourhood in general.
- [17] THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT therefore authorizes the requested variance.

Absent FABIAN POULIN VICE-CHAIR

"Gary Duncan" GARY DUNAN MEMBER

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"Heather MacLean" HEATHER MACLEAN MEMBER *"Arto Keklikian"* ARTO KEKLIKIAN MEMBER

"George Barrett" GEORGE BARRETT MEMBER

Absent 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 29, 2024** 

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Michel Bellemare Secretary-Treasurer

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