

**DECISION  
MINOR VARIANCE**

<b>Date of Decision:</b>	December 20, 2024
<b>Panel:</b>	1 - Urban
<b>File No.:</b>	D08-02-24/A-00287
<b>Application:</b>	Minor Variances under section 45 of the <i>Planning Act</i>
<b>Applicant:</b>	1000598810 Ontario Inc.
<b>Property Address:</b>	250 Shakespeare Street
<b>Ward:</b>	12 - Rideau-Vanier
<b>Legal Description:</b>	Lot 334, Registered Plan 246, Geographic Township of Gloucester
<b>Zoning:</b>	R4UA
<b>Zoning By-law:</b>	2008-250
<b>Hearing Date:</b>	December 11, 2024, in person and by videoconference

**APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATION**

- [1] The Applicant wants to construct a three-storey, eight-unit low rise apartment building, as shown on plans filed with the Committee. The existing dwelling will be demolished.

**REQUESTED VARIANCES**

- [2] The Applicant seeks the Committee's authorization for minor variances from the Zoning By-law as follows:
- a) To permit a reduced lot area of 272 square metres, whereas the By-law requires a minimum lot area of 360 square metres.
  - b) To permit a reduced rear yard setback of 3.49 metres (15.4% lot depth) whereas the By-law requires a minimum rear yard setback of 5.68 metres (25% lot depth).

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **Oral Submissions Summary**

- [3] Alison Clarke, agent for the Applicant, stated that the site will continue to operate in a successful manner, despite the requested variances.
- [4] City Planner Penelope Horn explained that, when looking at the reduced lot area and setback, she took into consideration if there was adequate room for planting and bicycle storage while reviewing the site plan to confirm that it will function well and in this instance the site will function well.
- [5] City Planner Erin O'Connell was also in attendance.

## **DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATION GRANTED**

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

- [6] The Committee has the power to authorize minor variances 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 variances are minor, are 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**

- [7] 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, photo of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
  - City Planning Report received December 5, 2024, with no concerns.
  - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email dated December 6, 2024, with no objections.
  - Hydro Ottawa email dated December 6, 2024, with no concerns.
  - Ontario Ministry of Transportation email dated November 22, 2024, with no comments.
  - K. Walsh, resident, email dated November 21, 2024, with comments.

### Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [8] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the application in making its decision and granted the application.
- [9] Based on the evidence, the Committee is satisfied that the requested variances meet all four requirements under subsection 45(1) of the *Planning Act*.
- [10] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the application.
- [11] The Committee also notes that no evidence was presented that the requested variances would result in any unacceptable adverse impact on neighbouring properties.
- [12] Considering the circumstances, the Committee finds that, because the proposal fits well in the area, the requested variances are, 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.
- [13] The Committee also finds that the requested variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan because the proposal respects the character of the neighbourhood.
- [14] In addition, the Committee finds that the requested variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law because the proposal represents orderly development that is compatible with the surrounding area.
- [15] Moreover, the Committee finds that the requested variances, both individually and cumulatively, are minor because they will not create any unacceptable adverse impact on abutting properties or the neighbourhood in general.
- [16] THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT therefore authorizes the requested variances, **subject to** the location and size of the proposed construction being in accordance with the site plan filed, Committee of Adjustment date November 14, 2024, and the elevations filed, Committee of Adjustment date stamped November 13, 2024, as they relate to the requested variances.

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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 **December 20, 2024**



Michel Bellemare  
Secretary-Treasurer

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- **BY EMAIL** - Appeal packages can be submitted by email to [cofa@ottawa.ca](mailto:cofa@ottawa.ca). The appeal form is available on the OLT website at [Forms | Ontario Land Tribunal](#). Please indicate on the appeal form that payment will be made by credit card.
- **IN PERSON** – Appeal packages can be delivered to the 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 Forms | Ontario Land Tribunal](#). In person payment can be made by certified

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