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#### City of Ottawa | Ville d'Ottawa Comité de dérogation COMMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT PANEL 3 PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Site Address: 2620 A River Road Legal Description: Part of Lot 21, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Osgoode File No.: D08-01-24/B-00243 and D08-02-24/A-00292 Report Date: January 16, 2025 Hearing Date: February 04, 2025 Planner: Luke Teeft Official Plan Designation: Rural Transect; Rural Countryside RR2 Zoning:

## **DEPARTMENT COMMENTS**

The Planning, Development and Building Services Department has no concerns with the applications.

### **DISCUSSION AND RATIONALE**

Section 53 (12) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, permits the criteria for the subdivision of land listed in Section 51 (24) to be considered when determining whether provisional consent may be granted by a committee of adjustment. With respect to the criteria listed in Section 51 (24), staff have no concerns with the proposed consent.

Staff have reviewed the subject minor variance application against the "four tests" as outlined in Section 45 (1) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c. P.13, as amended. Staff are satisfied that the requested minor variance meets the "four tests".

The proposed variance for reduced lot size improves the existing condition of the neighbouring lot at 2610 B River Road without any significant negative impact on the retained lot. Because no development is proposed on the retained lands, staff are satisfied that this lot line adjustment and minor variance are in keeping with the intent of the Zoning By-law and Official Plan.

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

• Existing grading and drainage patterns must not be altered.

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• Encroachment on or alteration to any easement is not permitted without authorization from easement owner(s).

# CONDITIONS

If approved, the Planning, Development and Building Services Department requests that the Committee of Adjustment impose the following conditions on the application:

- 1. That the Owner(s) provide proof to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee, that each existing parcel has its own independent private sewage system, storm/foundation drainage, and well and that they do not cross the proposed severance line. If the systems cross the proposed severance line, are not independent, or do not meet the minimum spacing requirements of the Ontario Building Code and City of Ottawa Hydrogeological and Terrain Analysis Guidelines, the Owner(s) will be required to relocate the existing systems or construct new systems, at their own cost.
- 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 Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, 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 on the severed property and immediately adjacent lands, to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate.
- 3. That the Owner enter into an 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, or their designate, which provides the following covenant/notice that runs with the land and binds future Owner(s) on subsequent transfers:

"The City of Ottawa does not guarantee the quality or quantity of the groundwater. If, at some future date, the quality or the quantity of the groundwater becomes deficient, the City of Ottawa bears no responsibility, financial or otherwise, to provide solutions to the deficiency, such solutions being the sole responsibility of the homeowner."

"The property contains a septic bed equipped with a tertiary treatment system. It is the responsibility of the owner(s) and any future owner(s) to maintain this system."

The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

4. That the Owners provide a report, to the satisfaction of the City of Ottawa, demonstrating the adequacy of the aquifer with respect to quality and quantity to support the proposed development. If the well is to be drilled on the receiving

lands at 2610 B River Road, then the Owners must construct this new well on the property and provide a report, to the satisfaction of the City of Ottawa, to demonstrate the adequacy of the aquifer with respect to quality and quantity to support the proposed development. If the well is to be drilled on Part 1 of the draft R plan (severed lands), then the Owners must provide a report to the satisfaction of the City of Ottawa, to demonstrate the adequacy of the adequacy of the aquifer with respect to quality and quantity to support the proposed development. The report must include a septic impact assessment to evaluate the water quality impact of the onsite septic system on the receiving aquifer.

The Owners' report must demonstrate the following to the City of Ottawa:

- That the construction of any new well on the property at 2610 B River Road or the severed parcel is in accordance with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks;
- That the quality of the water meets the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Regulations, Standards, Guidelines and Objectives;
- That the quantity of water meets all the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks requirements; and
- That the septic impact assessment meets the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks requirements.

A qualified Professional Engineer or Professional Geoscientist must prepare the report. It is the Owner's responsibility to coordinate the person drilling the new well, and the professional noted herein in order to properly satisfy this condition.

If the accepted report recommends specific mitigation measures or design requirements, the Owners shall enter into a Development Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owners, which is to be registered on the title of the property, which includes those recommendations and any required notices on title. Both the report and any required Development Agreement shall be prepared to the satisfaction of the **Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate**.

The Report shall be prepared as per Procedure D-5-4 "Technical Guideline for Individual On-Site Sewage Systems: Water Quality Impact Risk Assessment" and Procedure D-5-5 "Technical Guideline for Private Wells: Water Supply Assessment".

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