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## PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Site Address: 462 Churchill Avenue

Legal Description: Part of Lot 12, Registered Plan 204

File No.: D08-01-24/B-00236, D08-02-25/A-00012

Report Date: March 13, 2025 Hearing Date: March 19, 2025 Planner: Penelope Horn

Official Plan Designation: Inner Urban Transect, Neighbourhood, Evolving

Neighbourhood Overlay

R4UD[2684]-c Zoning:

#### **DEPARTMENT COMMENTS**

The Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department has no concerns with the application.

### **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 variances meet the "four tests".

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

# Infrastructure Engineering

- The Planning, Development and Building Services Department will do a complete review of grading and servicing during the building permit process.
- At the time of building permit application, a grading/servicing plan prepared by a Professional Engineer, Ontario Land surveyor or a Certified Engineering Technologist will be required.

- Any proposed works to be located within the road allowance requires prior written approval from the Infrastructure Services Department.
- The surface storm water runoff including the roof water must be self contained and directed to the City Right-of-Way, not onto abutting private properties as approved by **Planning**, **Development and Building Services Department**.
- A private approach permit is required for any access off of the City street.
- Existing grading and drainage patterns must not be altered.
- Existing services are to be blanked at the owner's expense.
- Asphalt overlay would be required if three or more road-cuts proposed on City Right of way. This includes the road cut for blanking of existing services, and any other required utility cuts (ie, gas, hydro, etc.).
- Service lateral spacing shall be as specified in City of Ottawa Standard S11.3.
- In accordance with the Sewer Connection By-Law a minimum spacing of 1.0m is required between service laterals and the foundation face.
- If required, existing street sign to be relocated at the owner's expense.

## **Planning Forestry**

The plans provided propose to remove two jointly-owned trees for which the applicant does not have permission; a tree permit cannot be issued for these trees without written permission from the owners. If permission is not granted, the proposed related condition cannot be cleared and severance is not possible. Alternatively, plans could be redesigned to accommodate tree retention, in which case, an adjournment would be appropriate.

Section 4.8.2 of the Official Plan provides strong direction to maintain the urban forest canopy and its ecosystem services during intensification noting when considering the impacts on individual trees, planning and development decisions, including Committee of Adjustment decisions, shall give priority to the retention and protection of large, healthy trees over replacement plantings and compensation. Applications must address the cumulative impacts on the urban forest, over time and space, with the goal of 40% urban forest canopy cover in mind. Further, that the City and the Committee of Adjustment may refuse a development application where it deems the loss of a tree(s) avoidable or where an application fails to provide adequate soil volume for existing and/or new trees.

Through the redesign it is also recommended to reduce the amount of hardscaping on site and design the frontage to provide sufficient space to plant trees to improve the streetscape.

## **Right of Way Management**

The Right-of-Way Management Department has no concerns with the proposed Consent Application. The Owner shall be made aware however, that a private approach permit is

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Visit us: Ottawa.ca/planning Visitez-nous: Ottawa.ca/urbanisme required to construct any new entrance, as well as to modify or close an existing entrance that becomes redundant. Please contact the ROW Department for further information at rowadmin@ottawa.ca.

## **Transportation Engineering**

Remove depressed curb at existing driveway and reinstate with full height curb to City standards. Reinstate paver boulevard, cycle track and sidewalk to match existing conditions.

### CONDITIONS

If approved, the Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department requests that the Committee of Adjustment impose the following conditions on the application:

- 1. 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 Owner(s) provide evidence to the satisfaction of both the Chief Building Official and Development Review Manager, 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.
- 3. The Owner(s) shall prepare a noise attenuation study in compliance with the City of Ottawa Environmental Noise Control Guidelines to the satisfaction of Development Review All Wards Manager Branch within Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate. The Owner(s) shall enter into an agreement with the City that requires the Owner to implement any noise control 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.
- 4. 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 Development Review All Wards Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within Planning, Development and

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Visit us: Ottawa.ca/planning Visitez-nous: Ottawa.ca/urbanisme Building Services Department, 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 Development Review All Wards Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch within Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate.

- 5. That the Owner(s) enter into a resurfacing agreement with the City to the satisfaction of the Program Manager, Right of Way Branch within Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate, and provide financial security in accordance with the Road Activity By-law, as amended, to install an asphalt overlay over the roadway surface of Churchill Ave, fronting the subject lands, to the limits shown on the approved Site Servicing Plan, Where the approved Site Servicing Plan demonstrates that resurfacing is not required based on the City's Road Cut Resurfacing Policy, the Development Review Manager of the All-Wards Branch within Planning, Development and Building Services Department, or their designate, shall deem this condition satisfied.
- 6. 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). A tree removal permit cannot be issued without the permission of all owners of a tree, and 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.
- 7. That the Owner/Applicant(s) provide a revised Site Plan and Grading and Servicing Plan with the proposed elements (buildings, 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. This may result in relocation of these structures, and the owner may be required to revise their plans accordingly to the satisfaction of the Manager of the relevant Branch within the Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or their designate(s). The Tree Information Report may require revision to reflect these changes.
- 8. That the Owner/Applicant(s) provide a tree planting plan, prepared to the satisfaction of the Manager of the relevant Branch within the Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or their designate(s), showing the location(s) and species or ultimate size of all compensation trees required under the Tree Protection By-law and/or one new tree (50 mm caliper) per lot.

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