Committee of Adjustment



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DECISION CONSENT/SEVERANCE

Date of Decision:	April 11, 2025
Panel:	1 - Urban
File Nos.:	D08-01-25/B-00035 & D08-01-25/B-00036
Application:	Consent under section 53 of the <i>Planning Act</i>
Applicant:	LCA Construction Inc.
Property Address:	317 Westhill Avenue
Ward:	15 - Kitchissippi
Legal Description:	Lot 4 Registered Plan 460
Zoning:	R35
Zoning By-law:	2008-250
Heard:	April 2, 2025, in person and by videoconference

APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATIONS

[1] The Applicant wants to subdivide their property into two separate parcels of land to create separate ownership for each half of the semi-detached dwelling currently under construction.

CONSENT REQUIRED

- [2] The Applicant seeks the Committee's consent to sever land.
- [3] The property is shown as Parts 1 and 2 on a draft 4R-plan filed with the applications and the separate parcels will be as follows:

Table 1 Proposed Parcels

File No.	Frontage	Depth	Area	Part No.	Municipal Address
B-00035	7.62 metres	30.50 metres	230.1 sq metres	1	319 Westhill Ave

B-00036	7.62 metres	30.20 metres	230.1 sq. metres	2	317 Westhill Ave

[4] The property is not the subject of any other current application under the *Planning Act.*

PUBLIC HEARING

Oral Submissions Summary

- [5] Mike Segreto, agent for the Applicant, and City Planner Luke Teeft were present.
- [6] There were no objections to granting these unopposed applications as part of the Panel's fast-track consent agenda.

DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATIONS GRANTED

Applications Must Satisfy Statutory Tests

[7] 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;
- d) 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;
 - j) 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;
 - I) 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

- [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:
 - Applications and supporting documents, including cover letter, plans, tree information report, parcel abstract, photo of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
 - City Planning Report received March 26, 2025, with no concerns.
 - Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email received March 26, 2025, with no objections.

- Hydro Ottawa email received March 26, 2025, with comments.
- Ontario Ministry of Transportation email received March 25, 2025, with no comments
- T. Gray, Westboro Community Association, email received March 17, 2025, in support.

Effect of Submissions on Decision

- [9] The Committee considered all written and oral submissions relating to the applications in making its decision and granted the applications.
- [10] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "no concerns" regarding the applications, subject to the requested conditions agreed to by the Applicant's agent.
- [11] 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.
- [12] 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.
- [13] 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.
- [14] 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.
- [15] **THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT ORDERS** that the applications are granted and the provisional consent is to be given, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix A to this decision.

"Ann M. Tremblay" ANN M. TREMBLAY CHAIR

"John Blatherwick" JOHN BLATHERWICK MEMBER "Simon Coakeley" SIMON COAKELEY MEMBER

"Arto Keklikian" ARTO KEKLIKIAN MEMBER "Sharon Lécuyer" SHARON LÉCUYER MEMBER

I certify this is a true copy of the Decision of the Committee of Adjustment of the City of Ottawa, dated **April 11, 2025.**

"Michel Bellemare" MICHEL BELLEMARE SECRETARY-TREASURER

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

To appeal this decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT), a completed appeal form and the filing fee must be submitted via one of the below options and must be received no later than **3:00 p.m. on May 1, 2025**.

- OLT E-FILE SERVICE An appeal can be filed online through the <u>E-File</u> <u>Portal</u>. First-time users will need to register for a My Ontario Account. Select [Ottawa (City): Committee of Adjustment] as the Approval Authority. To complete the appeal, fill in all the required fields and provide the filing fee by credit card.
- **BY EMAIL** Appeal packages can be submitted by email to <u>cofa@ottawa.ca</u>. The appeal form is available on the OLT website at <u>Forms | Ontario Land</u> <u>Tribunal</u>. 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, 4th floor, Ottawa, Ontario, K2G 5K7. The appeal form is available on the OLT website at <u>Forms | Ontario</u> <u>Land Tribunal</u>. In person 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.

Please note only one of the above options needs to be completed. If your preferred method of appeal is not available at the time of filing, the appeal must be filed with one of the other two options.

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.

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 you have any questions about the appeal process, please visit <u>File an Appeal</u> <u>Ontario Land Tribunal</u>

NOTICE TO APPLICANT(S)

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.

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APPENDIX A

- 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 the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate, that both severed and retained parcels have their own independent water, sanitary and storm connection as appropriate, 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. That the Owner(s) provide proof 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, delineating the existing and proposed grades for both the severed and retained lands has been provided to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate.
- 4. That the Owner(s) enter into an Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s), which is to be registered on title to deal with the following covenant/notice that shall run with the land and bind future owners on subsequent transfers:

"The property is located next to lands that have an existing source of environmental noise (Churchill Avenue North) and may therefore be subject to noise and other activities associated with that use."

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

5. That the Owner(s) enter into a Joint Use and Maintenance Agreement, at the expense of the Owner(s), setting forth the obligations between the Owner(s) and the proposed future owners with respect to the joint use and maintenance of all commons elements including, but not limited to, the common party walls, common structural elements such as roof, footings, soffits, foundations, common areas, common driveways and common landscaping.

The Owner shall ensure that the Agreement is binding upon all unit owners and successors in title and shall be to the satisfaction of the **Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate**, or **City Legal Services**. The Committee shall be provided written confirmation that the Agreement is satisfactory to the **Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or** **their designate**, or is satisfactory to **City Legal Services**, as well as a copy of the Agreement and confirmation that it has been registered on title.

- 6. That the Owner(s) enter into a Resurfacing Agreement with the City, to the satisfaction of the Program Manager, Right of Way Branch, 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 Westhill Ave, fronting the subject lands, to the limits shown on the approved Site Servicing Plan. Where the approved Site Servicing Plan demonstrates the resurfacing is not required, based on the City's Road Cut Resurfacing Policy, the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate, shall deem this condition satisfied.
- 7. That the Owner/Applicant(s) provide proof, to the satisfaction of the Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate, that the approved Tree Planting Plan submitted to the City, prepared by Dendron Forestry Services, Version 2.0, dated Feb. 5, 2025 has been implemented. Proof will be accepted in the form of photographs showing the planted tree(s) or requesting a Tree Planting Inspection by contacting 311. A paid planting contract or a Letter of Undertaking are acceptable if planting cannot be completed prior to completion of the severance.
- 8. That the Owner(s) satisfy the requirements of Hydro Ottawa with respect to the relocation of the existing overhead services or grant an easement as required, the consent to which is hereby granted.
- 9. 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 severed 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.
- 10. 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 a conveyance for which the Consent is required.