### **Committee of Adjustment**



## Comité de dérogation

# DECISION CONSENT/SEVERANCE

Date of Decision: April 25, 2025

Panel: 3 - Rural

**File No.:** D08-01-25/B-00053, B-00054

**Application:** Consent under section 53 of the *Planning Act* 

**Applicant:** Ottawa Trim and Door Inc.

Property Address: 7660 Mansfield Road

Ward: 21 - Rideau-Jock

**Legal Description:** Part of Lot 11, Concession 6, former Township of

Goulbourn

**Zoning:** RU

**Zoning By-law:** 2008-250

**Heard:** April 15, 2025, in person and by videoconference

#### APPLICANT'S PROPOSAL AND PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATIONS

[1] The Applicant wants to subdivide the property into three separate parcels of land to create two new lots for future residential development.

#### **CONSENT REQUIRED**

[2] The Applicant seeks the Committee's consent to sever land. The property is shown as Parts 1 to 3 on a sketch 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-00053	60 m	134 m	0.8 ha	1	7678 Mansfield Road
B-00054	60 m	134 m	0.8 ha	2	7672 Mansfield Road

[3] The land to be retained, shown on said sketch, will have a frontage of 183 metres, an irregular depth of 669.9 metres, and will contain a lot area of 18.9 hectares. This parcel is vacant and will be known as 7660 Mansfield Road.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **Oral Submissions Summary**

- [4] Jasmine Paoloni and Yasaman Bahadori, agents for the Applicant, provided a slide presentation, a copy of which is on file with the Secretary-Treasurer and available from the Committee Coordinator upon request.
- [5] Ms. Paoloni submitted that a condition of provisional consent requested by the City requiring proof of independent water, sanitary and stormwater services should not be imposed, since the subject property is currently vacant. City Planner Luke Teeft agreed that the condition was not necessary in this case.
- [6] Ms. Paoloni also requested that the condition requiring a revised Environmental Impact Study be amended to stipulate that a 0.4 hectare development envelope would be identified on each lot, to the satisfaction of the City, whereas the City's Planning Report had noted that its standard practice is to limit development envelopes to 0.2 hectares. Mr. Teeft indicated that he no concerns with the proposed amendment. Tony Faranda of Ottawa Trim and Door Inc., the Applicant, explained that a 0.4 hectare development envelope would provide necessary flexibility to respond to possible site constraints.

#### DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATIONS GRANTED

#### **Application(s) 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;
  - whether the proposed subdivision is premature or in the public interest;
  - 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;
  - 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, photo
    of the posted sign, and a sign posting declaration.
  - City Planning Report dated April 10, 2025, with some concerns, dated April 9, 2025, with no concerns.

- Rideau Valley Conservation Authority email dated April 10, 2025, with no objections.
- Rideau Valley Septic Office email dated April 10, 2025, with no objections.
- Hydro Ottawa email dated April 4, 2025, 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 applications.
- [10] The Committee notes that the City's Planning Report raises "some concerns" with the applications related to the Environmental Impact Study filed with the applications and the need for revisions to identify species at risk on the property. In this regard, the Committee notes that, as requested by the City, a revised Environmental Impact Study will be required as a condition of provisional consent.
- [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 Order.

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"Simon Coakeley"
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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 **April 25, 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 15, 2025**.

- OLT E-FILE SERVICE An appeal can be filed online through the <u>E-File 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 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, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Ottawa, Ontario, K2G 5K7. The appeal form is available on the OLT website at <u>Forms | Ontario</u> Land Tribunal. 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>
Ontario Land Tribunal

#### 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**

- 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.
- That the Owner(s) provide a report, to the satisfaction of the Manager of the
   Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate, demonstrating the
   adequacy of the aquifer, with respect to quality and quantity, to support the proposed
   development.

Where adequacy cannot be demonstrated, the Owner(s) shall construct a new well on the severed lands and provide a report, to the satisfaction of **Manager of the Development Review All Wards Branch**, or their designate, to demonstrate 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 on-site septic system on the receiving aquifer.

The report must demonstrate the following:

- a. That the construction of any new well on the severed parcel is in accordance with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks;
- b. That the quality of the water meets the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks Regulations, Standards, Guidelines and Objectives;
- c. That the quantity of water meets all the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks requirements; and
- d. 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 a new well, if required, and the professional noted herein in order to properly satisfy this condition.

If the accepted report recommends specific mitigation measures or design requirements, the Owner(s) shall enter into a Development Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s), to include those recommendations and such agreement shall be registered on title. In instances where the subject site has sensitive soils, the drilling of a well and/or the conveyance of a 30-centimetre reserve may be required. 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".

3. 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 covenants/notices 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 (collector road) and may therefore be subject to noise and other activities associated with that use."

"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 City of Ottawa has identified that there are potential thin soils & potential karst topography within the area that may require site specific detailed geotechnical engineering solutions to allow for development, 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 Committee shall be provided a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

- 4. Pursuant to clause 51 (25) (c) of the *Planning Act* and Schedule C16 of the City's Official Plan, the Owner acknowledges and agrees to convey to the City, at no cost to the City, an unencumbered road widening across the complete Mansfield Road frontage of the lands, measuring 13 meters from the existing centerline of pavement/the abutting right-of-way, if required. The exact widening must be determined by legal survey. The Owner shall provide a reference plan for registration, indicating the widening, to the City Surveyor for review and approval prior to its deposit in the Land Registry Office. Such reference plan must be tied to the Horizontal Control Network in accordance with the municipal requirements and guidelines for referencing legal surveys. The Owner(s) must provide to the City Surveyor a copy of the Committee of Adjustment Decision and a draft Reference Plan that sets out the required widening. The Committee shall be provided written confirmation from City Legal Services that the transfer of the widening to the City has been registered. All costs shall be borne by the Owner.
- 5. That the owners submit a revised Environmental Impact Study demonstrating a 0.4-hectare development envelope, to the satisfaction of the **Manager of the**

**Development Review All Wards Branch, or their designate**. If the accepted report recommends specific mitigation measures or other requirements, the Owner shall enter into a Development 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 is to be registered on the title of the property, which includes those recommendations.

- 6. 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.
- 7. 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.