

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF OTTAWA

DECISION CONSENT

(Section 53 of the *Planning Act*)

File Nos.: D08-01-22/B-00124, D08-01-22/B-00125

Owner(s): 2606394 Ontario Inc. Location: 422 Hartleigh Avenue

Ward: 7-Bay

Legal Description: Part of Lot 90, Registered Plan 305

Zoning: R2F

Zoning By-law: 2008-250

Notice was given and a Public Hearing was held on **June 1 and July 6, 2022**, as required by the *Planning Act*.

PURPOSE OF THE APPLICATIONS:

At its hearing on June 1, 2022, the Committee adjourned applications D08-01-22/B-00124 & D08-01-22/B-00125 to allow the Owner time to identify additional variances. The Owner has submitted revised material and wishes to proceed with the application.

The Owner wants to subdivide its property into two separate parcels of land to establish separate ownership for each half of a proposed semi-detached dwelling. The existing detached dwelling will be demolished.

CONSENT IS REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

The Owners require the Consent of the Committee for Conveyances. 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:

File No.	Frontage	Depth	Area	Part No.	Municipal Address
B-00124	7.62 m	30.46 m	232 sq. m	1	422 Hartleigh Ave.
					(one semi-detached dwelling unit)

File No.	Frontage	Depth	Area	Part No.	Municipal Address
B-00125	7.62 m	30.46 m	232 sq. m	2	424 Hartleigh Ave.
					(the other semi- detached dwelling unit)

Approval of these applications will have the effect of creating two separate parcels of land that will not be in conformity with the requirements of the Zoning By-law and therefore, Minor Variance Applications (D08-02-22/A-00111 and D08-02-22/A-00112) have been filed and will be heard concurrently with these applications.

PUBLIC HEARING:

At the outset of the Hearing on July 6, 2022, the Committee called the applications forward to consider an adjournment to allow the Applicant more time to consult with the City Planner. The Committee heard from Paul Cooper, Agent for the Applicant, who confirmed that consultation did occur with City staff prior to the Public Hearing scheduled on June 1, 2022, regarding the retention of an existing mature tree (tree #1 on the tree planting plan). He also requested that the applications proceed as scheduled.

Siobhan Kelly, the City Planner, confirmed that the department is not requesting for the application to be adjourned but the department continues to have concerns with the proposed applications. She indicated that there is a possibility to develop the lots with an alternative driveway without having to remove tree #1. Nonetheless, should the Committee approve the applications with the parking configuration proposed resulting tree #1 being removed, a tree planting plan showing locations of compensated trees condition shall be imposed. The Committee therefore stepped the applications down to be recalled later in the Public Hearing.

Upon recall, the Panel Chair administered an oath to Mr. Cooper, who confirmed that the statutory notice posting requirements were satisfied.

In response to questions from the Committee, Mr. Cooper explained that there were other options for consideration which would have retained tree #1 however the proposal was not supported by the Planning Department.

Ms. Kelly indicated that the alternative proposal featured a front-facing carport/garage which would have required additional variances from the Mature Neighbourhood Overlay, and applications that try to vary from the mature neighbourhoods, the department would not support the requested variances. She confirmed that the department has some concerns with the applications, nonetheless the City Infill Forester is in support of compensation for the removal of tree #1.

With regards to the conditions requested by Bell Canada, Mr. Cooper questioned the need for the easement condition. The Committee explained that the condition would allow Bell Canada to have access to the property to maintain overhead wires.

DECISION AND REASONS OF THE COMMITTEE: APPLICATIONS GRANTED

The Committee considered any written and oral submissions relating to the applications in making its Decision.

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).

The Committee notes the City's Planning Report raises "concerns with the applications due to impacts to protected trees." The Committee also notes that the City Infill Forester is in support of compensation for the removal of tree #1 and that proposed condition 3 includes the preparation of a tree planting plan for all permitted tree removals. Additionally, the reports highlights: "The proposed development conforms with the provisions of the Mature Neighbourhoods Overlay and is compatible with existing development as it maintains the low-rise character of the neighbourhood, while introducing a housing type planned for the Inner Urban Transect."

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. 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. 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. 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.

The Committee therefore grants the provisional consent, subject to the following conditions, which must be fulfilled within a two-year period from the date of this **Decision**:

- 1. That the Owner(s) provide evidence that the accompanying Minor Variance Applications (D08-02-22/A-00111, D08-02-22/A-00112) have been approved, with all levels of appeal exhausted.
- 2. That the Owner(s) provide evidence that payment was 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. 2009-95, as amended. Information regarding the appraisal process can be obtained by contacting the Planner.
- 3. The Owner/Applicant(s) shall prepare and submit a tree planting plan, prepared to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, showing the location(s) of the specified number of compensation trees (50mm caliper) required under the Tree Protection By-law, for all permitted tree removals.
- 4. That the Owner(s) provide evidence to the satisfaction of the Chief Building Official, or designate, that the existing detached dwelling has been demolished or relocated under the authority of a building permit.
- 5. That the Owner(s) provide proof to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee, that the existing dwelling has been removed, that the existing sewer services are capped at the sewer and that the existing water service is blanked at the watermain.
- 6. That the Owner(s) provide evidence (servicing plan), to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, to be confirmed in writing from the Department to the Committee, that both the severed and retained parcels have their own independent water, sanitary and sewer connection, as appropriate, and that these services do not cross the proposed severance line and are connected directly to City infrastructure. If they do cross the proposed severance line, or they are not independent, the Owner(s) will be required to relocate or construct new services from the city sewers and/or watermain at his/her own costs.
- 7. That the Owner(s) enter into a Joint Use, Maintenance and Common Elements Agreement, at the expense of the Owner(s), setting forth the obligations between the Owner(s) and the proposed future owners.

The Joint Use, Maintenance and Common Elements Agreement shall set forth the joint use and maintenance of all common 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 the unit owners and successors in title and shall be to the satisfaction of Development Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, and City Legal Services. The Committee requires written confirmation that the Agreement is satisfactory to the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, and is satisfactory to City Legal Services, as well as a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

- 8. 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 Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her 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 the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate.
- 9. That the Owner(s) enter into a Development Agreement with the City, at the expense of the Owner(s) and to the satisfaction of the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate, to require that an asphalt overlay will be installed, at the Owner(s) expense, on Hartleigh Avenue, fronting the subject lands, over the entire public driving surface area within the limits of the overlay, if the approved Site Servicing Plan shows three or more cuts within the pavement surface. The overlay must be carried out to the satisfaction of Erin O'Connell of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate. The Committee requires a copy of the Agreement and written confirmation from City Legal Services that it has been registered on title.

If the Development Review Manager of the West Branch within Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department, or his/her designate determines that a Development Agreement requiring an asphalt overlay is no longer necessary, this condition shall be deemed as fulfilled.

- 10. That the Owner(s) grant to Bell Canada without cost, such easements as may be required, the consent to the registration of which is hereby granted.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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.

The Consent lapses two years from the date of this Decision.

All technical studies must be submitted to Planning, Real Estate and Economic Development Department a minimum of <u>40 working days</u> prior to lapsing date of the consent. Should a Development Agreement be required, such request should be initiated <u>15 working days</u> prior to lapsing date of the consent and should include all required documentation including the approved technical studies.

Please note that if a major change to a condition or conditions is requested, you will be entitled to receive Notice of the changes only if you have made a written request to be notified.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL:

To appeal this decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT), a completed appeal form along with payment must be received by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee of Adjustment by <u>August 4, 2022</u>, delivered by email at <u>cofa@ottawa.ca</u> and/or by mail or courier to the following address:

Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment, 101 Centrepointe Drive, 4th floor, Ottawa, Ontario, K2G 5K7

The Appeal Form is available on the OLT website at https://olt.gov.on.ca/. The OLT has established a filing fee of \$400.00 per type of application with an additional filing fee of \$25.00 for each secondary application. 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. If you have any questions about the appeal process, please contact the Committee of Adjustment office by calling 613-580-2436 or by email at cofa@ottawa.ca.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal Decisions in respect of applications for consent to the OLT. A notice of appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a Member of the Association or group on its behalf.

Please note that there are no provisions for the Committee of Adjustment or the OLT 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.

NOTICE TO APPLICANT:

Applicants are advised to take note of comments received from City departments and other technical agencies like Hydro Ottawa and to consult where appropriate.

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Owner(s) / Propriétaire(s): 2606394 Ontario Inc. Location / Emplacement: 422 Hartleigh Avenue

We, the undersigned, concur in the decision and the reasons set out by the Committee of Adjustment.

Nous, soussignés, souscrivons à la décision et aux motifs rendus par le Comité de dérogation.

"Ann M. Tremblay"

ANN M. TREMBLAY CHAIR / PRÉSIDENTE

"Kathleen Willis" "Scott Hindle"

KATHLEEN WILLIS SCOTT HINDLE MEMBER / MEMBRE MEMBER / MEMBRE

"Colin White" "Julia Markovich"

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I certify that this is a true copy of the Decision of the Committee of Adjustment of the City of Ottawa.

Je certifie que celle-ci est une copie conforme de la décision rendue par le Comité de dérogation de la Ville d'Ottawa.

Date of Decision / Date de la décision July 15, 2022 / 15 juillet 2022

Michel Bellemare

Secretary-Treasurer / Secrétaire-trésorier