# City of Mississauga Memorandium: City Department and Agency Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

File(s): A17.21 Ward: 10

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## **Consolidated Recommendation**

The City has no objection to the variance, as requested.

## **Application Details**

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to allow a widened driveway on the subject property proposing a driveway width of 7.50m (approx. 24.61ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum driveway width of 6.00m (approx. 19.69ft) in this instance.

## Background

Property Address: 6612 Lisgar Drive

**Mississauga Official Plan** 

Character Area:Lisgar NeighbourhoodDesignation:Residential Low Density II

Zoning By-law 0225-2007

Zoning: R4 - Residential

**Other Applications: None** 

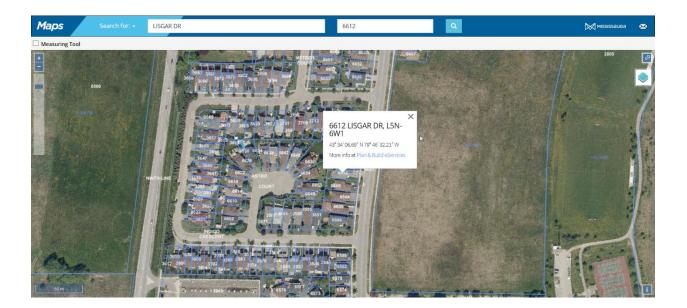
#### Site and Area Context

The subject property is situated south-east of the 407 express highway and Derry Rd E. The subject property is an interior parcel with a lot area of 408.45m<sup>2</sup> and a lot frontage of approximately

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+/- 12.21m. The property currently houses a two-storey, detached dwelling with minimal landscaping elements in both the front and rear yards. Contextually, the area is comprised exclusively of detached two-storey residential dwellings. The properties within the immediate area possess lot frontages of approximately +/-12.0m, with moderate vegetative / natural landscaped elements within the front yards.

The applicant is proposing to widen their driveway which requires a variance for driveway width.



## Comments

#### Planning

Section 45 of the *Planning Act* provides the Committee of Adjustment with the authority to grant relief from the requirements of a municipal zoning by-law. Approval of applications must meet the requirements set out under 45(1) and/or 45(2) (a) or (b) in the *Planning Act*.

Staff comments concerning the application of the four tests to this minor variance request are as follows:

#### Does the proposal maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan?

The site is situated within the Lisgar Neighbourhood Character Area, and designated Residential Low Density II by the Mississauga Official Plan (MOP). As per Section 9.1 (Introduction), driveway widths should respect the identity and character of the surrounding context. The planned context of this neighbourhood is that of detached and semi-detached dwellings are to be serviced by appropriately sized driveways, with the remainder of the

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property's frontage serving to form a soft-landscaped area. The proposal meets the purpose or general intent of the Official Plan.

#### Does the proposal maintain the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law?

As per Zoning By-law 0225-2007, the subject property is zoned R4 (Residential). Pursuant to Table 4.2.1.12.3 (R1 to R5 Permitted Uses and Zone Regulations), the maximum driveway width for a detached dwelling is 6.0m; whereas, the Applicant is proposing 7.5m. The applicant previously brought a much larger application to the committee on January 21, 2021, which was deferred. The applicant has since redesigned their proposal with a smaller driveway width. The general intent of this portion of the Zoning By-law is to permit a driveway width large enough to accommodate two vehicles parked side-by-side, with the remainder of front yard being soft landscaping. The Applicant's proposal results in a driveway that can only accommodate two vehicles parked side-by-side thereby, meeting the general intent and purpose of the zoning bylaw.

# Is the proposal desirable for the appropriate development of the subject lands and minor in nature?

Staff note the redesigned proposal can accommodate two vehicles parked side by side, with the remaining front yard reserved for soft-landscaping. The variances, as amended, results in both the orderly development of the lands, and whose impacts will be minor in nature.

## Conclusion

Based upon the preceding information, it is the opinion of Staff that the variances, as amended, meet the general intent and purpose of both the MOP and Zoning By-law; are minor in nature; and, are desirable for the orderly development of the lands.

Comments Prepared by: Brooke Herczeg RPP, Committee of Adjustment Planner

## Appendices

### Appendix 1 – Transportation and Works Comments

This department notes that with regard to the widened driveway within the municipal boulevard (the area between the municipal curb and property line) we would request that this area be reinstated with topsoil and sod should the application be modified to reflect a smaller driveway width within the subject property or if the application is not supported by the Committee.



Comments Prepared by: Tony lacobucci, Development Engineering Technologist

### Appendix 2 – Zoning Comments

The Building Department is not in receipt of any permit applications at this time and the applicant is advised that a zoning review has not been completed. We are unable to confirm the accuracy of the requested variance(s) or determine whether additional variance(s) may be required.

The applicant is advised that a completed zoning review may identify additional instances of zoning non-compliance. The applicant may consider applying for a preliminary zoning review

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application and submit working drawings for a detailed zoning review to be completed. A minimum of 6-8 weeks will be required to process a preliminary zoning review application depending on the complexity of the proposal and the detail of the information submitted.

Comments Prepared by: Brandon Eidner, Zoning Examiner

#### Appendix 5 – Region of Peel Comments

We have no comments or objections.

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