# City of Mississauga Department Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment Ward: 11

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

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### **Consolidated Recommendation**

The City recommends that the application be refused.

# **Application Details**

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to allow an existing driveway proposing:

- 1. A driveway width of 12.09m (approx. 39.67ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum driveway width of 6.00m (approx. 19.69ft) in this instance; and,
- 2. A driveway setback from the property line of 0.0m whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a driveway setback from the property line of 0.6m (approx. 1.97ft) in this instance.

## **Background**

Property Address: 6145 Camgreen Circle

Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area: East Credit Neighbourhood
Designation: Residential Low Density I

**Zoning By-law 0225-2007** 

Zoning: R4-10 - Residential

Other Applications: None

**Site and Area Context** 

The subject property is located north-west of the Creditview Road and Britannia Road West intersection. It is a corner lot and currently contains a two-storey detached dwelling with an attached garage. Limited vegetative/landscaping elements are present in the front yard of the property. The surrounding area context is exclusively residential, consisting of two-storey detached dwellings with attached garages on lots of similar sizes.

The applicant is proposing to legalize the existing driveway requiring variances for driveway width and setback.



### 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:

The subject property is located in the East Credit Neighbourhood Character Area and is designated Residential Low Density I in Schedule 10 of the Mississauga Official Plan (MOP). Section 9.1 of the MOP states that driveway widths and associated setbacks should respect the identity and character of the surrounding context.

The applicant is proposing a driveway width of 12.09m (39.67ft). The planned character of the area is that of residential dwellings serviced by appropriately sized driveways that can

accommodate the parking required by the zoning by-law for each property. The intent of the driveway width regulations in the by-law is to allow a driveway that can accommodate two vehicles parked side by side, with the remainder of the front yard being soft landscaped area. The intent of the driveway setback regulation is to ensure appropriate drainage can be maintained and a visual separation of properties is provided.

While the property does have a significant frontage that could accommodate a wider driveway, the proposed driveway can easily facilitate the parking of 4 vehicles across, contrary to the intent of the zoning by-law. Furthermore it represents a significant amount of hardscaping that, in the opinion of staff, is out of character for the surrounding area.

Staff are of the opinion that, as currently proposed, the driveway does not meet the general intent or purpose of the official plan or zoning by-law, and is not minor in nature. Staff therefore recommend that the application be refused.

Comments Prepared by: Alexander Davies, Committee of Adjustment Planner

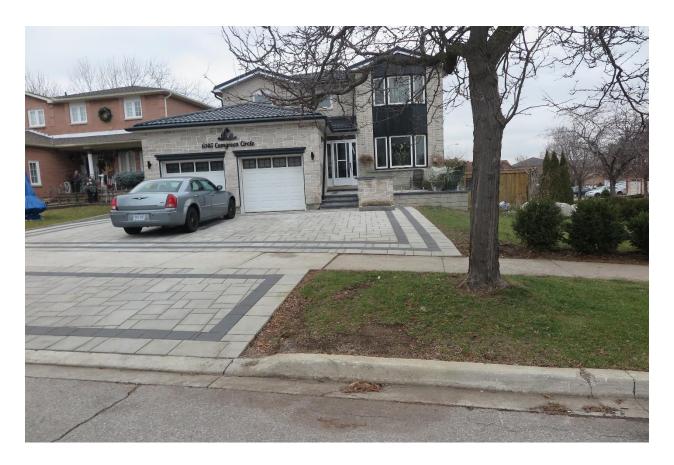
# **Appendices**

### **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 Iacobucci, Development Engineering Technologist

### **Appendix 2 – Zoning Comments**

In the absence of a Development application we are unable to confirm the accuracy of the information provided, or determine whether additional variance(s) may be required. It should be noted that a zoning review has NOT been completed. The applicant is advised that should they choose to proceed without zoning verification, a full zoning review may result in further variances being required in the future.

For scope of work that does not require Site Plan Approval/Building Permit/Zoning Certificate of Occupancy Permit, the applicant may consider applying for a Preliminary Zoning Review application. A detailed site plan drawing and architectural plans are required for a detailed zoning review to be completed. A minimum of 6-8 weeks is required depending on the complexity of the proposal and the quality of information submitted.

Comments Prepared by: Brooke Herczeg, Zoning Examiner

## Appendix 3 – Region of Peel

We have no comments or objections.

Comments Prepared by: Patrycia Menko, Junior Planner