## City of Mississauga Department Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

File(s): A620.22 Ward: 5

Meeting date:2023-02-23 1:00:00 PM

## **Consolidated Recommendation**

The City has no objections to the application. The applicant may wish to defer the application to ensure the accuracy of the requested variance and that additional variances are not required.

# **Application Details**

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to allow an existing driveway proposing a driveway width of 7.00m (approx. 22.97ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum driveway width of 6.00m (approx. 19.69ft) in this instance.

### Background

Property Address: 3708 Wyewood Rd

**Mississauga Official Plan** 

Character Area: Malton Neighbourhood Designation: Residential Low Density II

Zoning By-law 0225-2007

Zoning: R3-69 - Residential

Other Applications: None

#### Site and Area Context

The subject property is located north-west of the Morning Star Drive overpass over Highway 427 in the Malton neighbourhood. It is an interior lot containing a two-storey detached dwelling with an attached garage. Limited landscaping/vegetative elements are present in the front yard.

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The property has an approximate lot frontage of 15.25m (50ft), which is characteristic of lots with detached dwellings in the area. The surrounding context is predominantly residential, consisting of detached and semi-detached dwellings.

The applicant is proposing a modified driveway requiring 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:

The subject property is located in the Malton Neighbourhood Character Area and is designated Residential Low Density II 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 intent of limiting the driveway width is to permit a driveway large enough to suitably accommodate the required number parking spaces for a dwelling, with the remainder of lands in the front yard being soft landscaping.

The subject property has a wide frontage that is able to accommodate a wider driveway than permitted under the by-law without the hardscaping becoming overbearing to the streetscape.

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Staff are satisfied that the width will restrict the parking of more than two vehicles across and maintains sufficient soft landscaping area to maintain the character of the surrounding area.

Planning staff are satisfied that the proposed driveway width variance is minor in nature, represents appropriate development of the subject property, and maintains the intent of both the official plan and zoning by-law.

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## **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.



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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.

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