City of Mississauga Department Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

File(s): A90.23 Ward: 5

Meeting date:2023-04-27 1:00:00 PM

Consolidated Recommendation

The City has no objections to the application.

Application Details

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to allow the construction of a below grade entrance proposing:

1. An interior side yard setback of 0.90m (approx. 2.95ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum interior side yard setback of 1.20m (approx. 3.94ft) in this instance; and,

2. A driveway width of 6.50m (approx. 21.33ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum driveway width of 6.00m (approx. 19.69ft) in this instance.

Background

Property Address: 7241 Meyer Dr

Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area: Malton Neighbourhood Designation: Residential Low Density II

Zoning By-law 0225-2007

Zoning: R4-64 - Residential

Other Applications: BP 9ALT 22-3400

Site and Area Context

The subject property is located north-west of the Morning Star Drive overpass over Highway 427. It currently contains a two-storey detached dwelling with an attached garage. Limited landscaping and vegetative elements are present in both the front and rear yards. The property has a lot frontage of +/- 13m (42.7ft), characteristic of other nearby detached dwellings. The surrounding context is predominantly residential, consisting of a mix of detached and semi-detached dwellings on lots of varying sizes. Townhouse dwellings are also present in the larger area context.

The applicant is proposing a below grade entrance and driveway modifications requiring variances for side yard setback and 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 subject property is located in the Malton Neighbourhood Character Area and is designated Residential Low Density II in Section 10 of the Mississauga Official Plan (MOP). Section 9 of the MOP promotes development with appropriate urban form and site design, regulating that such development is compatible with: the existing site conditions, the surrounding context, and the landscape of the character area. The proposed entrance will not impact the streetscape, and

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staff are satisfied that the driveway is appropriate given existing site conditions. Staff are therefore of the opinion that the general intent and purpose of the official plan are maintained.

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

Variance 1 requests a reduced side yard setback to a below grade entrance. The general intent of side yard regulations in the by-law is to ensure that: an adequate buffer exists between the massing of primary structures on adjoining properties, appropriate drainage can be provided, and access to the rear yard remains unencumbered. Staff note that the stairs do not create any additional massing that could impact abutting properties. Furthermore, access to the rear of the property is maintained and no specific drainage concerns have been raised by City staff.

Variance 2 requests a driveway width of 6.50m (21.33ft). 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. Staff are satisfied that the width will restrict the parking to no more than two vehicles across and maintains sufficient soft landscaping area to maintain the character of the surrounding area.

Given the above Planning staff are of the opinion that the application maintains the general intent and purpose of the zoning by-law.

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

Staff are of the opinion that the impacts of the proposal are minor in nature. Furthermore staff are satisfied that the application represents appropriate development of the subject property.

Comments Prepared by: Alexander Davies, Committee of Adjustment Planner

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Transportation and Works Comments

With regards to Variance #1, this department has no drainage related concerns as there will be an area within the 0.90M setback to provide a side yard drainage swale if required.

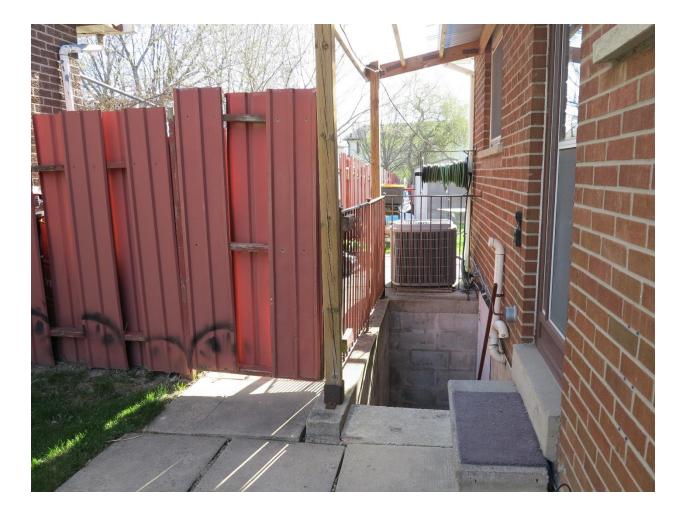
For Variance #2, this department notes that with regard to the widened driveway within the municipal boulevard (the area between the municipal curb and property line) we would request that this area be reinstated with topsoil and sod should the application be modified to reflect a smaller driveway width 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

The Building Department is currently processing an application under file BP 9ALT 22-3400. Based on review of the information currently available in this application, the variances, as requested are correct.

Please note that comments reflect those provided through the above permit application and should there be any changes contained within this Committee of Adjustment application that have not been identified and submitted through the application file noted above, these comments may no longer be valid. Any changes and/or updates to information and/or drawings must be submitted, as per standard resubmission procedures, separately through the application process in order to receive updated comments.

Comments Prepared by: Gary Gagnier; Zoning Examiner

Appendix 3- Region of Peel Comments

Minor Variance Application: A-90/23 – 7241 Meyer Drive Development Engineering: Camila Marczuk (905) 791-7800 x8230 Comments:

- Please be advised that service connection sizes shall be in compliance with Ontario Building Code and Region of Peel Design Criteria. An upgrade of your existing service may be required. All works associated with the servicing of this site will be at the applicant's expense. For more information, please contact Servicing Connections at 905.791.7800 x7973 or by email at siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca.
- Any changes to the underground water or sanitary sewer will require review by the Region of Peel. Site Servicing approvals are required prior to the local municipality issuing building permit. For more information, please contact Servicing Connections at 905.791.7800 x7973 or by email at <u>siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca</u>.

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