City of Mississauga Department Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment Ward: 6

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

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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 variances and that additional variances are not required.

Application Details

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to allow the construction of a widened driveway proposing:

- 1. A driveway width of 7.50m (approx. 24.60ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum driveway width of 6.00m (approx. 19.68ft) in this instance; and,
- 2. A walkway width of 2.00m (approx. 6.56ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a walkway width of 1.5m (approx. 4.92ft) in this instance.

Background

Property Address: 1617 Bristol Road West

Mississauga Official Plan

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

Zoning By-law 0225-2007

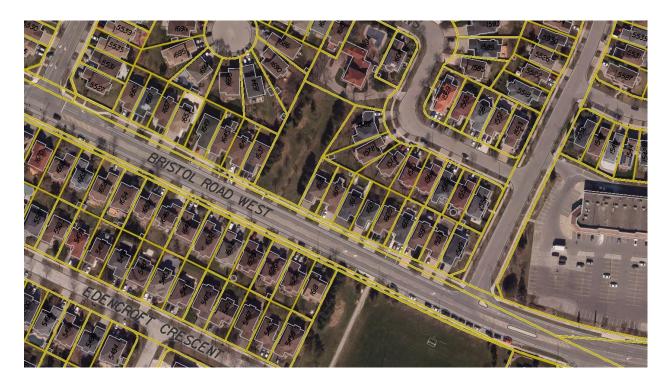
Zoning: R4-20 - Residential

Other Applications: None

Site and Area Context

The subject property is located on the north side of Bristol Road West, west of the Creditview Road intersection. It currently contains a two-storey detached dwelling with an attached garage. The property has a lot frontage of +/- 12.2m (40ft), characteristic of other detached dwellings along the north side of Bristol Road West. Limited landscaping and vegetative elements are present in the front yard. The surrounding area context is predominantly residential, containing detached dwellings on lots of generally similar sizes.

The applicant is proposing to modify the existing driveway requiring a variance for driveway width.



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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 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 intent of the walkway attachment regulations are to provide a convenient and dedicated pathway to accommodate pedestrians as well as define an entryway to the dwelling, while ensuring the walkway cannot be utilized for parking purposes.

The subject property is on Bristol Road West, which is characterized by wider driveways. This is in part due to the width of the road and the traffic it carries. While the proposal represents a driveway wider than staff would normally support, staff are of the opinion that in this instance the proposed width is characteristic of the area. In regards to the proposed walkway attachments staff are of the opinion that they are appropriately sized for the property and will not permit parking on the walkway.

Planning staff are satisfied that the proposed variances are minor in nature, represent appropriate development of the subject property, and maintain 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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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.

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Appendix 3 –Region of Peel

Please apply previous comments.

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