# City of Mississauga Department Comments

Date Finalized: 2023-06-14 File(s): B4.23
Ward: 1

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

Meeting date:2023-06-22
1:00:00 PM

# **Consolidated Recommendation**

The City recommends that the application be deferred.

# **Application Details**

#### B4/23

The applicant requests the Consent of the Committee to sever a parcel of land for the creation of a new lot. The parcel of land has a frontage of approximately 7.62m (approx. 25.00ft) and an area of approximately 230.44sq m (2480.44sq ft).

#### A103/23

The applicant requests a minor variance for the severed lands of B4/23 proposing:

- 1. A lot coverage of 48.60% whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum lot coverage of 45% in this instance;
- 2. An encroachment of a porch (including stairs) into the front yard of 2.87m (approx. 9.42ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum encroachment of 1.60m (approx. 5.25 ft) in this instance; and,
- 3. A sloped roof height of 10.30m (approx. 33.79ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum height of 9.50m (approx. 31.17ft) in this instance. A104/23

The applicant requests a minor variance for the retained lands of B4/23 proposing:

- 1. A lot coverage of 47.89% whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum lot coverage of 45% in this instance;
- 2. An encroachment of a porch (including stairs) into the front yard of 3.01m (approx. 9.88ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum encroachment of 1.60m (approx. 5.25 ft) in this instance; and,
- 3. A sloped roof height of 10.30m (approx. 33.79ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum height of 9.50m (approx. 31.17ft) in this instance.

# **Recommended Conditions and/or Terms of consent**

Appendix A – Conditions of Provisional Consent

• The variance application approved under File(s) A103.23 and A104.23 must be finalized

#### Recommended Conditions and/or Terms of minor variance

• Variance(s) approved under file(s) A103.23 and A104.23 shall lapse if the consent application under file B4.23 is not finalized within the time prescribed by legislation.

# **Background**

**Property Address: 8 Wesley Cres** 

Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area: Port Credit Neighbourhood (West)

Designation: Residential Low Density II

Zoning By-law 0225-2007

Zoning: RM7-5 - Residential

Other Applications: Building Permit application under file PREAPP 22-2371.

### **Site and Area Context**

The subject property is located within the Port Credit Neighbourhood (West) Character Area, northwest of the Mississauga Road North and Lakeshore Road West intersection. The immediate area contains a mix of uses. The residential uses, consist of one and two-storey detached, semi-detached and townhouse dwellings with mature vegetation throughout the lots. The residential lots have frontages ranging from approximately 6.6m (21.721ft) to 16.75m (54.97ft). The subject property contains an existing two-storey detached dwelling with vegetation throughout the property.

The applicant is proposing to sever the parcel of land for the creation of a new lot for the development of semi-detached dwellings. The applicant is requesting variances for lot coverage, porch encroachment and sloped roof height.

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# **Planning**

# **Planning Act**

Section 51 (24) of the *Planning Act* sets out the criteria for land division in the Province of Ontario. In evaluating such requests, the Committee needs to be satisfied that the proposal meets not only the criteria set out under Section 51(24), but also municipal requirements identify in local legislation.

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. In evaluating such requests, the Committee needs to be satisfied that the proposal meets the four tests set out in the *Planning* Act.

#### **Provincial Matters**

The Provincial Policy Statement 2020 (PPS 2020) and Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe promote efficient development and land use, directing the focus towards intensification and redevelopment. The proposal is consistent with the general directive in provincial policy.

Staff comments concerning the applications for consent and the four tests to the minor variance request are as follows:

The subject property is designated Residential Low Density II in Schedule 10 of the Mississauga Official Plan (MOP), which permits detached, semi-detached, duplex, triplex, street townhouses and other forms of low-rise dwellings with individual frontages. Section 16.1.2.1 of MOP states, to preserve the character of lands designated Residential Low Density I and Residential Low

Density II, the minimum frontage and area of new lots will be evaluated in the context of the existing lot pattern in the surrounding area. The proposed lot areas and frontages do not require variances. Furthermore, the proposed lot areas and frontages are comparable with lots found in the neighbourhood. The proposed severance would result in lots that could be developed with appropriate sized dwellings for the neighbourhood. As per Section 5.3.5 (Neighbourhoods) of MOP, neighbourhoods are not meant to remain static, however, when new development occurs, it should be sensitive to the neighbourhoods existing and planned character. The proposed severance represents sensitive intensification that is compatible with the area and does not negatively impact the established lot fabric of the neighbourhood.

While Planning staff has no concerns regarding application B4.23, Planning staff has identified concerns with variances #1 and 3 in both applications A103.23 and A104.23. Requests for increased lot coverage are rarely supported when a dwelling's footprint exceeds the maximum lot coverage requirement. In this instance, the proposed dwelling footprints cover 47.64% and 46.92% of the proposed properties. Staff are of the opinion that these variance requests are excessive and represent an overdevelopment of the lands.

Furthermore, the applicant is proposing two new semi-detached dwellings with heights of 10.3m (33.79ft), where 9.5m (31.17ft) is permitted. The proposed roofs meet the requirement of a sloped roof under the zoning by-law. However, staff note that the facade has been designed for the dwellings to appear as three-storey flat roof dwellings. The impact of the dwelling's design on the streetscape and abutting properties would be the same as a three-storey flat roofed dwelling. Flat roof dwellings are permitted with a maximum height of 7.5m (24.6ft) in the RM7-5 zone, as they contain more massing than sloped roof dwellings.

Staff are of the opinion that the design of the dwellings, including variances #1 and 3, will create significant massing impacts to the streetscape and abutting properties and will represent an overdevelopment of the lands.

As such, staff recommend that the application be deferred to allow the applicant an opportunity to redesign the proposed dwellings.

Comments Prepared by: Connor DiPietro, Committee of Adjustment Planner

# **Appendices**

# **Appendix 1 – Transportation and Works Comments**

Should the Committee see merit in the applicant's request and the application move forward, the following conditions will be required:

#### A. Items Required Prior to the Issuance of Final Consent

# 1. Overall Grading and Drainage Plan

The applicant's consulting engineer will be required to prepare an Overall Grading and Drainage Plan which contains sufficient details to ensure grading compatibility with the adjacent lands and submit the grading and drainage proposal to this department for review/approval. The plan is to show the overall drainage for both lots and include any catch basins and easements that may be required to in order to keep the lots self contained.

This plan is also to include the appropriate acoustical measures (fencing/berming – if required) that will be made available through the required Acoustical Feasibility Study for noise and vibration emanating from the neighboring Metrolinx tracks.

### 2. Overall Site Servicing Plan

We request that the applicant submit a Site Servicing Plan prepared by a Consulting Engineer for this department's review/approval. The Site Servicing Plan is to confirm that all the necessary municipal services can be provided for the dwellings to be constructed on the subject lands.

## 3. Municipal Address Requirement

Prior to the issuance of final consent, satisfactory arrangements are to be made with the Corporate Services Department, Information Technology Division, Digital Services & Mobility Section, Geospatial Solutions Group for the creation of new municipal addresses for the severed and retained lands. For further information, please contact Susie Tasca at (905) 615-3200 ext. 3088 or susie.tasca@mississauga.ca

#### 4. Acoustical Report and Vibration Study

Due to the proximity and noise emanating from the nearby Metrolinx tracks, the owner will be required to retain the services of an Acoustical Consultant to prepare a detailed Acoustical Report and Vibration Study for the subject lands and make comments/recommendations in support of this severance application. This report is to determine the need for the implementation of any noise attenuation measures that are to be incorporated into the

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construction of the site works to achieve the City's and the M.O.E.'s current noise level objectives. The scope of this report is to define the minimum noise attenuation requirements for the control of outdoor and indoor environmental sound levels.

We are also noting for the owner's information that securities will be required to ensure that any noise attenuation measures such as air conditioning units or acoustical fencing are installed for the dwellings to be constructed.

## 5. <u>Development Agreement</u>

Upon the review of the Acoustical Report which would contain the appropriate Warning Clauses, the owner may be required to enter into a Development Agreement which is to be registered against title of the subject lands. The said agreement is to advise any prospective purchasers that, despite the inclusion of noise control features, noise levels emanating from the Metrolinx tracks may continue to be of concern, occasionally interfering with some of the activities of the dwelling occupants as the noise exposure level may exceed the noise criteria of the municipality and the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change.

In view of the above, the applicant should contact this Department with regard to the process of initiating the Development Agreement preparation and processing.

### 6. Fee Requirements as Per Fees and Charges By-Law

As per the City of Mississauga's Fees and Charges By-law there will be fees required to be paid to the Legal Services Department for their services, in particular for the preparation of documents required for items pertaining to a Development Agreement and/or road widening. The fee amounts payable will be in accordance with the current fees and charges bylaw.

For further information regarding the above noted comments, please contact John Salvino at (905) 615-3200 ext. 5183 or john.salvino@mississauga.ca

This department's comments/requirements with respect to the minor variance applications will be addressed through the Consent Application File 'B' 4/23.

#### B. GENERAL INFORMATION

## 1. Lot Grading and Drainage

We advise the applicant that issuance of any building permits for the new dwelling(s) will be subject to the owner submitting a certified lot grading and drainage plan to this Department for review/approval. The grading and drainage plan is to contain sufficient detail to ensure grading compatibility with the adjacent properties. In addition, the owner will be required to submit the applicable lot grading and municipal services protection deposits.

## 2. Servicing

All costs incurred in providing any service laterals will be the responsibility of the owner. The owner will also be responsible for all costs incurred for the required road reinstatement (if required). If the service connections are to be installed by a private contractor retained by the owner, issuance of an open cut permit will be subject to the owner depositing adequate securities with the City to guarantee proper road reinstatement.

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# 3. Access

The applicant will be required to apply for Access Modification Permits prior to Building Permit Issuance.

We advise the applicant that all costs incurred in providing any new driveway entrances to the subject lands or any modifications/reinstatement required (including the existing driveways), would be at cost to the owner. We are also noting that should any utilities need to be relocated, all costs incurred will also be to the owner. Driveway accesses shall maintain a 1.5m setback from aboveground features such as utilities and trees.

#### 4. Storm Sewer Outlet

This site is within the Credit River watershed. Based on the information available, the retained and severed parcels drain directly to the Wesley Cres right-of-way and ultimately to the existing 1050mm municipal storm sewer on High St W. Please note that in cases of a high groundwater table where a sump pump could run continuously if a sump pump was implemented, the applicants should consider raising the basement elevation to be at least 1.0 meter above the groundwater level. It is the owner's responsibility to satisfy themselves with these conditions as the City has no obligation to address any concerns with the operating conditions of private sump pump systems.

Comments Prepared by: John Salvino, Development Engineering Technologist

# **Appendix 2 – Zoning Comments**

The Building Department is currently processing a Building Permit application under file PREAPP 22-2371. Based on review of the information currently available for this building permit, the variances, as requested are correct.

Our comments are based on the plans received by Zoning staff on 07/19/22 for the above captioned building permit application. Please note that should there be any changes contained within this Committee of Adjustment application that have not been identified and submitted through the site plan approval process, these comments may no longer be valid. Any changes

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and/or updates to information and/or drawings must be submitted, as per standard resubmission procedure, separately through the site plan approval process in order to receive updated comments.

Please note that prior to land division zoning clearance being issued the severed and retained lands must comply with the provisions of Zoning By-law 0225-2007, as amended, with respect to, among other things, minimum lot frontage, minimum lot area, setbacks to the existing building(s), on site parking, etc., or alternatively, that any minor variance(s) is approved, final and binding and/or the demolition of any existing building(s) is complete. Information on how to obtain a land division clearance letter can be found here.

Comments Prepared by: Adam McCormack, Zoning Examiner

#### Appendix 3 – Parks, Forestry & Environment

The Park Planning Section of the Community Services Department has reviewed the consent application and advises as follows:

City of Mississauga Forestry Staff have attended the site and identified the following City owned trees within the municipal boulevard on Wesley Cres.:

- Colorado Blue Spruce (49 cm DBH) Good Condition \$4,200.00
- Colorado Blue Spruce (30 cm DBH) Good Condition \$1,700.00

Should the application be approved, Community Services wishes to impose the following conditions:

1. The applicant shall provide tree protection securities in the amount of \$5,900.00 for the preservation of the municipal trees.

In addition, Community Services notes the following:

- 1. The applicant shall provide framed tree hoarding at the dripline of the above noted trees prior to any construction to the satisfaction of City of Mississauga Forestry Staff. Please call Ryan Cormier at 905-615-3200 ext. 4580 to arrange a hoarding inspection.
- Payment for street tree fees and charges can be made at the Parks and Forestry
  customer service counter located at 950 Burnhamthorpe Road West in the form of a
  certified cheque, bank draft, or money order payable to the City of Mississauga. Please
  contact Nicholas Rocchetti regarding the payment process.
- 3. Prior to the issuance of building permits, cash-in-lieu for park or other public recreational purposes is required pursuant to Section 42 of the Planning Act (R.S.O. 1990, c.P. 13, as amended) and in accordance with the City's policies and by-laws.

Should further information be required, please contact Nicholas Rocchetti, Park Planning Assistant, Community Services Department at 905-615-3200 ext. 4659 or via email Nicholas.Rocchetti@mississauga.ca.

Comments Prepared by: Nicholas Rocchetti, Park Planning Assistant

#### Appendix 4 – Metrolinx

#### 8 Wesley Cres

Metrolinx is in receipt of the consent application and two minor variance applications for 8 Wesley Cres to facilitate the severence of the land for the creation of a new lot and to facilitate the construction of a single family semi-detached dwelling on both the subject property being retained and severed. Metrolinx's comments on the subject application are noted below:

- The subject property is located within 300m of Metrolinx's Oakville Subdivision which carries Metrolinx's Lakeshore West GO Train service.
- As per section 3.9 of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Railway Association of Canada's Guidelines for New Development in Proximity to Railway Operations, the Owner shall grant Metrolinx an environmental easement for operational emissions. The environmental easement provides clear notification to those who may acquire an interest in the subject property and reduces the potential for future land use conflicts. The environmental easement shall be registered on title of the subject property. A copy of the form of easement is included for the Owner's information. The applicant may contact <a href="mailto:Farah.Faroque@metrolinx.com">Farah.Faroque@metrolinx.com</a> with questions and to initiate the registration process. (It should be noted that the registration process can take up to 6 weeks).
- The Proponent shall provide confirmation to Metrolinx, that the following warning clause
  has been inserted into all Development Agreements, Offers to Purchase,
  and Agreements of Purchase and Sale or Lease of each dwelling unit within 300
  metres of the Railway Corridor

**Warning:** The Applicant is advised that the subject land is located within Metrolinx's 300 metres railway corridor zone of influence and as such is advised that Metrolinx and its assigns and successors in interest has or have a right-of-way within 300 metres from the subject land. The Applicant is further advised that there may be alterations to or expansions of the rail or other transit facilities on such right-of-way in the future including the possibility that Metrolinx or any railway entering into an agreement with Metrolinx to use the right-of-way or their assigns or successors as aforesaid may expand or alter their operations, which expansion or alteration may affect the environment of the occupants in the vicinity, notwithstanding the inclusion of any noise and vibration attenuating measures in the design of the development and individual lots, blocks or units.

Comments Prepared by: Farah Faroque, Project Analyst

**Appendix 5- Region of Peel** 

# Minor Variance and Consent Applications: A-23-103M, A-23-104 & B-23-004M – 8 Wesley Crescent

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 <a href="mailto:siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca">siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca</a>.
- All unutilized water and sanitary services shall be abandoned in accordance with Region of Peel design specifications. For more information, please contact Servicing Connections at 905.791.7800 x7973 or by email at <a href="mailto:siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca">siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca</a>.
- 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 <a href="mailto:siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca">siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca</a>.

#### Condition:

 Arrangements satisfactory to the Region of Peel, Public Works shall be made with respect to the location of existing and installation of new services and/or possible required private service easements.

Comments Prepared by: Patrycia Menko, Junior Planner

#### Appendix A – CONDITIONS OF PROVISIONAL CONSENT

SHOULD THE COMMITTEE GRANT A PROVISIONAL CONSENT, THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THE RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO THE DECISION AND THESE CONDITIONS MAY BE REVISED BY THE COMMITTEE AT THE PUBLIC MEETING.

- 1. Approval of the draft reference plan(s), as applicable, shall be obtained at the Committee of Adjustment office, and; the required number of prints of the resultant deposited reference plan(s) shall be received.
- 2. An application amendment letter shall be received from the applicant or authorized agent confirming that the conveyed land shall be together with and/or subject to services easement(s) and/or right(s)-of-way, if necessary, in a location and width as determined by the Secretary-Treasurer based on written advice from the agencies having jurisdiction for any service or right for which the easement or right-of-way is required; alternatively, a letter

shall be received from the applicant or authorized agent confirming that no services easement(s) and/or right(s)-of-way, are necessary.

- 3. A letter shall be received from the City of Mississauga, Manager of Zoning Plan Examination, indicating that the conveyed land and retained lands comply with the provisions of the Zoning By-law, or alternatively; that any variances are approved by the appropriate authorities and that such approval is final and binding. ("A" 103-104/23)
- 4. A letter shall be received from the City of Mississauga, Transportation and Works Department, indicating that satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to the matters addressed in their comments dated June 14, 2023.
- 5. A letter shall be received from the City of Mississauga, Park Planning, Community Services Department, indicating that satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to the matters addressed in their comments dated June 14, 2023.
- 6. A letter shall be received from the Region of Peel, Development Services/Public Works, indicating that satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to the matters addressed in their comments dated June 9, 2023.
- 7. A letter shall be received from Metrolinx indicating that satisfactory arrangements have been made with respect to the matters addressed in their comments dated June 9, 2023.