# City of Mississauga Department Comments

Date Finalized: 2023-10-04

To: Committee of Adjustment

File(s): B44.23 A368.23
A369.23
Ward: 5

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

Meeting date:2023-10-12
1:00:00 PM

## **Consolidated Recommendation**

The City recommends the application be deferred.

# **Application Details**

The applicant requests the Consent of the Committee to sever a parcel of land for the creation of a new lot and easements. The parcel of land has a frontage of approximately 33.62m (approx. 110.30ft) and an area of approximately 4000sq m (43,055sq ft).

### A368/23

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance on the severed lands of application B44/23 proposing:

- 1. 14 parking spaces whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum of 20 parking spaces in this instance;
- 2. A landscaped buffer of 2.47m (approx. 8.10ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum landscaped buffer of 4.50m (approx. 14.76ft) in this instance; and
- 3. A drive aisle width of 6.2m (approx. 20.3ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum drive aisle width of 7.0m (approx. 23.0ft) in this instance.

### A369/23

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance on the retained lands of application B44/23 proposing:

- 1. 24 parking spaces whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum of 52 parking spaces in this instance;
- 2. A landscaped buffer of 1.86m (approx. 6.10ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum landscaped buffer of 4.50m (approx. 14.76ft) in this instance; and
- 3. A drive aisle width of 6.2m (approx. 20.3ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum drive aisle width of 7.0m (approx. 23.0ft) in this instance.

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

- Appendix A Conditions of Provisional Consent
- The variance application approved under File(s) A368/23 & A369/23 must be finalized

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

 Variance(s) approved under file(s) A368/23 & A369/23 shall lapse if the consent application under file B44.23 A368.23 A369.23 is not finalized within the time prescribed by legislation.

# **Background**

Property Address: 2200 & 2210 Drew Road

Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area: Northeast Employment Area (West)

Designation: Business Employment

**Zoning By-law 0225-2007** 

Zoning: E2 - Employment

Other Applications: PREAPP 22-3919

### **Site and Area Context**

The subject property is located south-east of the Drew Road and Bramalea Road intersection. It currently contains two existing industrial buildings with associated surface parking. The proposed subdivision of land will leave one of the existing buildings on each of the severed and retained lands. Limited landscaping and vegetative elements are present on the subject property. The surrounding area contains multi-tenant industrial spaces and warehouse and distribution facilities.

The applicant is proposing to sever the existing property into two lots, requiring variances for parking deficiencies, reduced landscape buffers and a reduced drive aisle width.



## **Comments**

## **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 located in the Northeast Employment Area (West) and is designated Business Employment. The designation permits a variety of employment and industrial uses.

Staff are satisfied that the proposed lots are appropriate to facilitate the uses envisioned in the official plan.

Staff are satisfied that the application is consistent with the official plan, as the severed and retained lands will provide for adequately sized lots for the existing buildings. No minor variances are required for lot size and or frontages. Staff are satisfied that the proposal will not negatively impact the area's lot fabric. Furthermore, staff have no concerns with the severance regarding the criteria set out in Section 51(24) of the Planning Act, as the site is appropriately serviced and is suitable for the planned use of the property. Staff are therefore of the opinion that the application conforms to Section 51(24) of the Planning Act.

In addition to the proposed consent application, the applicant is requesting a minor variance for a reduced parking rate. The intent of the zoning by-law in quantifying the required number of parking spaces is to ensure that each lot is self-sufficient in providing adequate parking accommodations based on its intended use. Section 8.4 of the official plan contemplates potential reductions in parking requirements and alternative parking arrangements in appropriate situations. Municipal Parking staff have reviewed the request and note as follows:

> With respect to Committee of Adjustment application 'A' 368.23, 2210 Drew Road, The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance on the severed lands of application B44.23 proposing:

A total of 14 parking spaces whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum of 20 parking spaces in this instance.

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With respect to Committee of Adjustment application 'A' 369.23, 2200 Drew Road, The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance on the retained lands of application B44.23 proposing:

A total of 24 parking spaces whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum of 52 parking spaces in this instance.

Per the materials provided by the Applicant, the purpose of this application is to sever the existing parcel into two lots at 2200 and 2210 Drew Road without altering the existing buildings. There is one existing building on the retained lot with a Gross Floor Area (GFA) of 4,468 m<sup>2</sup>; and one building on the severed lot with a GFA of 1,717.6 m<sup>2</sup>. Both buildings are proposed to be used as warehouses. The variances are triggered by the proposed severance as it will result parking deficiency on both lots. The subject properties are located in E2 zoning area, Parking Precinct 4.

Per Section 3.1.1.2 of Mississauga Zoning By-law, the parking requirements for Warehouse/ Distribution Facility in Parking Precinct 4 are 1.1 spaces per 100 m<sup>2</sup> GFA non-residential up to 6,975 m<sup>2</sup>. As a result, the minimum parking requirement for the building on the retained lot should be 49 spaces; and the minimum parking requirement for the building on the severed lot should be 19 spaces. The Applicant proposes 24 parking spaces for the retained lot and 14 spaces for the severed lot, the proposed parking ratio for each lot would be 0.54 space per 100 m<sup>2</sup> non-residential GFA and 0.82 space per 100 m<sup>2</sup> non-residential GFA, respectively. As such, the parking deficiency of the retained parcel is 25 spaces or 51%; the parking deficiency of the severed parcel is 5 spaces or 26.3%.

As the parking deficiency of both parcels exceeds 10%, a Parking Utilization Study (PUS) is required as per the City's Parking Terms of Reference provision.

The Applicant provided a Parking Utilization Study (PUS) dated August 1, 2023, completed by BA Group. Parking surveys were conducted for six days over a two-week period at the subject site and three proxy sites in May and June 2023. Based on the survey results, the observed peak parking demand rate at the subject site, which was conducted for the severed lot at 2210 Drew Road, was 0.52 space per 100 m<sup>2</sup> nonresidential GFA, with a peak parking utilization rate of 64%. Surveys were also conducted at three proxy sites for the retained lot at 2200 Drew Road. The proxy sites are located at 2222 Drew Road, 7405 Tranmere Drive, and 7635 Kimbel Street. The land use of all proxy sites are Warehouse/ Distribution Facility or Wholesaling Facility, which is consistent with the proposed land use at the subject site. Based on the survey results, the observed peak parking demand rate was 0.94 at 2222 Drew Road with a peak utilization rate of 74%; 0.36 at 7405 Tranmere Drive with a peak utilization rate of 25%; and 0.36 at 7635 Kimbel Street with a peak utilization rate of 23%. The observed peak parking demand rate of 0.52 at 2210 Drew Road appears to be lower than the proposed rate at 0.82 space per 100 m<sup>2</sup> GFA; the observed peak parking demand rates at the proxy sites also appear to be lower than the proposed rate at 0.54 space per 100m<sup>2</sup> GFA for 2200 Drew Road, however with the exception for 2222 Drew Road, which yielded at a rate of 0.94 per 100 m<sup>2</sup> GFA. The Applicant explained that there would be additional space in the rear of the building to add more parking spaces should the parking demand increase in the future.

Per the Parking Utilization Study provided by the Applicant, the observed peak parking demand rate is higher than the proposed rate for the retained parcel. Staff advise the survey findings are therefore not supportive of the requested parking reduction.

Zoning staff have advised that more information is required to verify the accuracy of the requested parking variances.

Given the above, Municipal Parking staff recommend the application be deferred.

Planning staff echo Municipal Parking's staff comments and are therefore unable to support the proposed consent at this time. Planning staff therefore recommend the application be deferred until the requested information can be submitted to and reviewed by Municipal Parking. Further, Zoning staff comments note additional information is required to verify the accuracy of both variances 1 and 3. While Planning staff do not have concerns with the proposed reduction of the landscape buffer and drive aisle width, as they are existing conditions, staff recommend the applicant confers with Zoning staff to verify the accuracy of the variances proposed.

Comments Prepared by: Daniel Grdasic, Committee of Adjustment Planner

# **Appendices**

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

We note that any Transportation and Works Department concerns/requirements for this property will be addressed under Consent Application 'B' 44/23.

This Department has no objections to the applicant's request to sever a parcel of land for the creation of a new lot and establish an access easement, which would allow for a 7.0M wide drive aisle to serve both properties.

From the information submitted and our site inspection, we note that both the severed parcel (2210 Drew Road) and the residual parcel (2200 Drew Road) contain existing buildings. In this regard, the applicant/owner should be satisfied that there are no existing underground services which would require private servicing easements. We have not requested an underground servicing plan to confirm the location of any underground services as the applicant has indicated that this application would re-establish the previously created lots.

In view of the above, and should Committee see merit in the applicant's request, we provide the following comment for the Committee's consideration:

- Α. Item Required Prior to the Issuance of Final Consent
- 1. Required Access Easement

The applicant/owner will be required to provide a 43R-Plan and letter / schedule prepared by the applicant's Solicitor, which would specifically describe the new private 7.0M access easement to be established. It should also be noted that any documentation received will be forwarded as an attachment to our clearance memo to the Committee of Adjustment so that any new proposed private easement can be identified and also be incorporated into the Certificate of Secretary-Treasurer.

Comments Prepared by: Tony Iacobucci, Development Engineering Technologist

### **Appendix 2 – Zoning Comments**

The Building Department is currently processing a Preliminary Zoning application under file PREAPP 22-3919, Based on review of the information currently available for this building permit, we advise that more information is required to verify the accuracy of the requested variance(s) 1 and 3 of A368/23 and variance(s) 1 and 3 of A369/23 or determine whether additional variance(s) will be required:

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- Typical dimensions of aisles;
- Typical dimensions of parking spaces; and,
- Drawings submitted to Committee do not correspond with drawings submitted to zoning.

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 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: RAMSEN HEDOO, SUPERVISOR

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

The Parks and Culture Planning Section of the Community Services Department has reviewed the above noted consent application and has no objections.

If approved, the Parks and Culture Planning Section of the Community Services Department wishes to impose the following condition(s):

1. The applicant shall provide a cash contribution of \$1288.18 for the planting of one (2) street trees on Drew road. This figure is subject to the most recent Fees and Charges By-law at the time of payment and is therefore subject to change.

Given the property is subject to site plan control, should the application be approved, Community Services provides the following notes:

- 1. Tree preservation hoarding and securities may be required as part of the site plan control process.
- 2. Payment for street tree fees and charges can be made at the Parks and Forestry customer service counter located 950 Burnhamthorpe Road West in the form of a certified cheque, bank draft, or money order payable to the City of Mississauga. A submission of Fees and Securities form is required to process the payment. Please contact Nicholas Rocchetti to request the Submission of Fees and Securities form and any other inquiries 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

### Appendix 4 – Region of Peel

Minor Variance and Consent: A-23-368M, A-23-369M, B-23-044M – 2200 & 2210 Drew Rd Development Engineering: Brian Melnyk (905)-791-7800 x3602

### Comments:

There is a 8.0m wide Regional sanitary sewer easement on the subject property.
 Please be advised that unauthorized encroachments on Regional easements will not be permitted. Certain restrictions apply with respect to Regional easements as per the documents registered on title.

### **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

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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" 368-369/23)

- 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 October 4, 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 October 4, 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 October 3, 2023.