# City of Mississauga Department Comments

Date Finalized: 2023-12-07

To: Committee of Adjustment

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

File(s): A474.23 Ward: 1

Meeting date:2023-12-14 1:00:00 PM

# **Consolidated Recommendation**

The City recommends that the Committee have regard for all comments and evidence provided by the applicant and area residents when assessing if the application, as requested, meets the requirements of Section 45(1) of the Planning Act.

# **Application Details**

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to allow the construction of a new house proposing:

1. A lot coverage of 39.31% (191.90sq m) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum lot coverage of 35.00% (170.84sq m) in this instance; and,

2. An eave height of 7.06m (approx. 23.16ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum eave height of 6.40m (approx. 21.00ft) in this instance.

# Background

Property Address: 1077 Serson Ave

Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area: Lakeview neighbourhood Designation: Residential Low Density II

### Zoning By-law 0225-2007

Zoning: R3-75- Residential

**Other Applications: none** 

Site and Area Context

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The subject properties are located within the Lakeview Neighbourhood Character Area, southeast of Cawthra Road and Atwater Avenue. The immediate neighbourhood is primarily residential, consisting of one and two-storey detached dwellings on lots with mature vegetation in the front yards. The subject property contains a two-storey detached dwelling.

The application proposes the construction of a new two-storey detached dwelling requiring variances for lot coverage and eave height.



## 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 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 townhouse and other forms of low-rise dwellings with individual frontages.

Variance #1 requests an increase in lot coverage. The intent in restricting lot coverage is to ensure that there isn't an overdevelopment of the lot which would impact the streetscape as well as abutting properties. Staff note that the dwelling's footprint represents approximately 38.6% of the total lot coverage in this instance. Typically, staff do not support proposals where the increase in lot coverage is attributed to the dwelling's footprint. However, staff note that the applicant is not requesting additional variances for height, area or setbacks which can have the

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effect of exacerbating a building's massing. As such, staff are of the opinion that the proposed dwelling is appropriately sized for the property. Lastly, the remaining coverage is attributable to a porch, which does not pose the same massing impacts as a fully enclosed structure.

Variance #2 relates to eaves height. The intent of restricting eaves height is to lessen the visual massing of the dwelling. By lowering the overall pitch of the roof and bringing the edge of the roof closer to the ground, it keeps the dwelling within a human scale. Staff are of the opinion that the proposed eave height represents a minor deviation from the regulation. Furthermore, the proposed dwelling includes staggered walls, moulding and a mix of materials to break up the massing.

Through a detailed review of the application, staff is of the opinion that the revised application is appropriate to be handled through the minor variance process. Further, the application raises no concerns of a planning nature.

Comments Prepared by: Connor DiPietro, Committee of Adjustment Planner

# Appendices

### Appendix 1 – Transportation and Works Comments

We are noting for Committee's information that any Transportation and Works Department concerns/requirements for the proposed dwelling will be addressed by our Development Construction Section through the future Building Permit process.



Comments Prepared by: John Salvino, Development Engineering Technologist

### Appendix 2 – Zoning Comments

We note that a Building Permit is required. In the absence of a Building Permit 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.

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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.

Comments Prepared by: Minan Song, Planner in Training

### Appendix 3 – Region of Peel

#### Minor Variance: A-23-474M / 1077 Serson Ave

Development Engineering: Brian Melnyk (905)-791-7800 x3602

#### 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 <u>siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca</u>.
- 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 <u>siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca</u>.

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