

# City of Mississauga Department Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment	
From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator	Meeting date:2024-09-12 1:00:00 PM

## Consolidated Recommendation

The City has no objections to the application. The applicant may wish to defer the application to ensure that all required variances have been accurately identified.

## Application Details

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to permit a second dwelling unit proposing:

1. A below grade entrance in the exterior side yard, whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, does not permit a below grade entrance the exterior side yard in this instance.
2. A pedestrian entrance facing a street whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, does not permit a pedestrian entrance facing a street in this instance.

## Background

**Property Address:** 6656 Blackheath Ridge

### Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area: Meadowvale Village Neighbourhood  
Designation: Residential Low Density II

### Zoning By-law 0225-2007

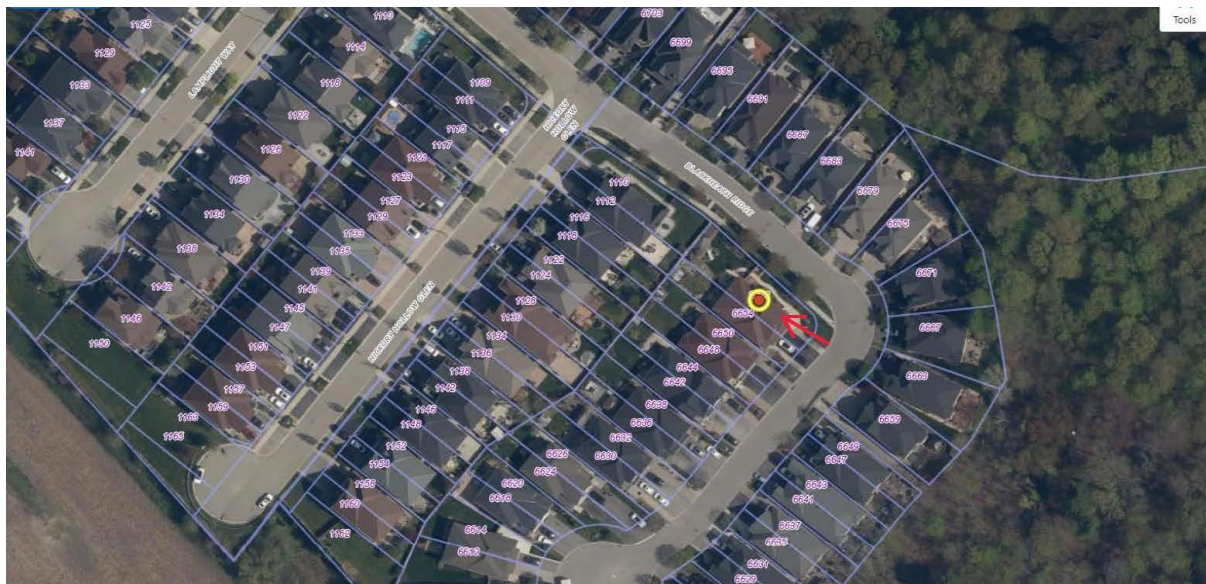
**Zoning:** RM5-27 - Residential

**Other Applications:** None

### Site and Area Context

The subject property is located south-west of the Second Line West and Old Derry Road intersection in the Meadowvale Village Neighbourhood Character Area. It is a corner lot containing a two-storey semi-detached dwelling with an attached garage. Limited landscaping and vegetative elements are present on the subject property. The surrounding context is predominantly residential, consisting of detached and semi-detached dwellings.

The applicant is proposing a below grade entrance requiring a variance for the location of the below grade entrance in the exterior side yard.



## 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:

Staff noted no privacy fence or screening was proposed for the below grade stairwell in the exterior side yard from the initial drawings submitted. Staff expressed these concerns to the applicant, and they have submitted revised drawings depicting vegetative screening to the proposed below grade stairwell in the exterior side yard.

The subject property is located in the Meadowvale Village Neighbourhood Character Area and is designated Residential Low Density II in Schedule 10 of the Mississauga Official Plan (MOP). Section 9 of 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. Staff note that the entrance will be appropriately screened from streetsview and will be compatible with the surrounding context.

The sole variance requests a below grade stairwell to be located in the exterior side yard. The intent of the exterior side yard regulation is to ensure than an adequate buffer exists between the structure and the public realm, and to ensure the entrance does not negatively impact the overall streetscape. In this instance, the applicant will screen the entrance from view with vegetative landscaping.

Staff are satisfied that any negative impact to the streetscape is appropriately mitigated and that the proposal meets the general intent and purpose of the official plan and zoning by-law. Furthermore, the proposal contributes to orderly development of the subject property whose impacts to the streetscape and abutting properties are minor in nature.

Comments Prepared by: Daniel Grdasic, Committee of Adjustment Planner

## Appendices

### Appendix 1 – Transportation and Works Comments

As the subject lot this is a corner lot and the below grade entrance is being proposed in an area which will not impact the existing drainage pattern, we have no drainage related concerns with the location of the below grade entrance.





Comments Prepared by: Tony Iacobucci, Development Engineering

### **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.

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: Crystal Abainza, Zoning Examiner

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

The Forestry Section of the Community Services Department has no objections to the above noted minor variance application and advises as follows:

1. No public trees shall be injured or removed. If public tree injury or removal is required, a permit must be issued as per By-law 0020-2022.
2. No private trees shall be injured or removed. If a private tree with a diameter of 15 centimetres or greater on private property is to be injured or destroyed, a permit must be issued as per By-law 0021-2022.
3. Please note if a tree is identified as a shared tree with the adjacent property owner, and the applicant intends to apply for a Tree Removal Permit, written consent must be obtained by both parties.

A Tree Removal Application to Permit the Injury or Destruction of Trees on Public and Private Property can be found at <https://www.mississauga.ca/publication/application-to-permit-the-injury-or-destruction-of-trees-on-public-and-private-property/>.

Should further information be required, please contact Jamie Meston, Landscape Architect Assistant, Forestry Section, Community Services Department at 905-615-3200 ext. 4264 or via email [jamie.meston@mississauga.ca](mailto:jamie.meston@mississauga.ca).

Comments Prepared by: Jamie Meston, Landscape Architect Assistant

## Appendix 4 – Heritage

### Minor Variance Application: A-24-383M / 6656 Blackheath Ridge

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 [siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca](mailto: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 [siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca](mailto:siteplanservicing@peelregion.ca).

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