City of Mississauga Department Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment Ward: 9

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

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3:30:00 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 allow a driveway proposing a driveway width of 7.20m (approx. 23.62ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum driveway width of 6.00m (approx. 19.69ft) in this instance.

Background

Property Address: 3041 Keynes Cres

Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area: Meadowvale Neighbourhood Designation: Residential Low Density II

Zoning By-law 0225-2007

Zoning: R4-Residential

Other Applications: None

Site and Area Context

The subject property is located north-west of the Britannia Road and Winston Churchill Boulevard intersection in the Meadowvale Neighbourhood Character Area. It is an interior lot containing a two-storey detached dwelling with an attached garage. The subject property has an

approximate lot area of +/- 559.49m² (6,022.30ft²). Limited landscaping and vegetative elements are present on the subject property. The surrounding context is exclusively residential, consisting of detached dwellings on lots of varying sizes.

The applicant is proposing to widen the existing driveway on the subject property requiring a variance for driveway width.



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:

The subject property is located in the Meadowvale 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 sites being developed, including their driveways, should respect the identity and character of the surrounding context.

The proposed variance relates to a widened driveway on the subject property. The applicant has worked with staff to reduce the existing driveway width and walkway attachment area. The configuration of the existing driveway would permit motor vehicles to park beside the front entryway of the dwelling, which staff do not support. The planned character of the area are dwellings serviced by appropriately sized driveways that can accommodate the parking required by the zoning by-law for each property. The intent of the driveway width regulations in the by-

law is to permit a driveway that can accommodate two vehicles parked side by side, with the remainder of the front yard being soft landscaped area. Staff note the proposed width of 7.2m (23.62ft) is measured from both sides near the top of the driveway. The driveway tapers down to a width of 6.25m (20.50ft) at the end of the driveway. Staff are of the opinion that the proposed driveway is in character for the surrounding context, will not create undue impacts on adjacent properties and maintains a soft landscaping area appropriate for the neighbourhood.

Staff are satisfied the proposal maintains the general intent and purpose of the official plan and zoning by-law, is minor in nature and results in orderly development of the subject property.

Comments Prepared by: Daniel Grdasic, Committee of Adjustment Planner

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Transportation and Works Comments

Further to our comments submitted for the June 13, 2024 Hearing we note that the applicant has provided a revised Site Plan which indicates that portion of the existing concrete driveway is to be removed and soft landscaping to be re-instated which we now can support.

Comments Prepared by: Tony Iacobucci, Development Engineering







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.

Comments Prepared by: Crystal Abainza, Zoning Examiner

Appendix 3 - Parks, Forestry & Environment

Park Planning

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

The lands adjacent to the property are owned by the City of Mississauga, identified as Millgrove Trail (P-196), classified as a Significant Natural Area within the City's Natural Heritage System, and zoned G1. Section 6.3.24 of the Mississauga Official Plan states that the Natural Heritage System will be protected, enhanced, restored and expanded through the following measure(s):

a) Ensuring that development in or adjacent to the Natural Heritage System protects and maintains the natural heritage features and their ecological functions through such means as tree preservation, appropriate location of building envelopes, grading, landscaping...

Should the application be approved, Community Services provides the following notes:

- 1. Construction access from the adjacent park/greenlands is not permitted.
- 2. If access is required to City owned lands, a Consent to Enter Agreement/Park Access Permit will be required.
- 3. Stockpiling of construction materials and encroachment in the adjacent park/greenlands is not permitted.

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

Comments Prepared by: Nicholas Rocchetti, Planner in Training

Forestry

The Forestry Section of the Community Services Department has reviewed 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.
- 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.

Comments Prepared by: Jamie Meston, Landscape Architect Assistant

Appendix 4 – Region of Peel

Our previous comments still apply.

Comments Prepared by: Petrele Francois, Junior Planner