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City Department and Agency Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

Meeting date:4/24/2025

3:30:00 PM

Consolidated Recommendation

The City has no objections to the application.

Application Details

The applicant requests the Committee to approve a minor variance to allow a below grade entrance and hard surface landscaping in the rear yard proposing:

- 1. An exterior side yard setback of 4.21m (approx. 13.81ft) whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum exterior side yard setback of 4.50m (approx. 14.76ft) in this instance; and
- 2. A setback of 0.10m (approx. 0.33ft) to hard surface landscaping in the rear yard from the side lot line whereas By-law 0225-2007, as amended, requires a minimum setback of 0.61m (approx. 2.00ft) to hard surface landscaping in the rear yard 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: SEC UNIT 24-4415

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 and attached garage. Limited landscaping and vegetative elements are present on the subject property. The surrounding area context is exclusively residential, consisting of detached and semi-detached dwellings on similarly sized lots.

The applicant is proposing to construct a below grade entrance to facilitate a second unit requiring a variance for the setback to the exterior lot line and a side yard setback to the hard surface landscaping in the rear 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:

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).

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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 the streetscape with vegetation ensuring compatibility with the surrounding context.

Variance 1 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 a structure and the public realm, and to ensure the entrance does not negatively impact the overall streetscape. In this instance, the applicant is proposing to screen the entrance with vegetation thereby appropriately screening the stairwell from view. Staff are satisfied that the proposed entrance will not negatively impact the overall streetscape.

Variance 2 requests a reduction in the side yard setback to accommodate the existing hard surfaced landscaping in the rear yard. The general intent of this portion of the by-law is to ensure appropriate drainage patterns can be maintained. Staff note Transportation & Work's staff have not identified any drainage concerns.

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 this property is a corner lot and the below grade entrance is being proposed in an area which will not impact the existing drainage pattern or any of the adjacent properties, 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

The Building Division is processing Building Permit application SEC UNIT 24-4415. Based on the review of the information available in this application, the requested variances are correct.

Our comments may no longer be valid should there be changes in the Committee of Adjustment application that have yet to be submitted and reviewed through the Building Division application. To receive updated comments, the applicant must submit any changes to information or drawings separately through the above application.

Comments Prepared by: Crystal Abainza, Zoning Examiner

Appendix 3 – Parks, Forestry & Environment

Forestry Comments

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.

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- 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.

An 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 Technician, Forestry Section, Community Services Department at 905-615-3200 ext. 4264 or via email jamie.meston@mississauga.ca.

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Appendix 4 – Region of Peel Comments

Development Engineering: Wendy Jawdek (wendy.jawdek@peelregion.ca)|(905) 791-7800 x6019

Comments:

- Installation of and alterations to property line water valves and chambers and sanitary sewer maintenance holes require inspection by Region of Peel inspectors to confirm if these works are completed in accordance with Region of Peel Design, standards specification and procedures.
- 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 servicingconnections@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 servicingconnections@peelregion.ca.
- All unutilized water and sanitary services shall be abandoned in accordance with Region of Peel design criteria. For more information, please contact Servicing Connections at (905) 791-7800 x7973 or by email at servicingconnections@peelregion.ca.
- The applicant shall verify the location of the existing service connections to the subject site and the contractor shall locate all existing utilities in the field. Requests for underground locates can be made at https://www.ontarioonecall.ca/portal/

• For location of existing water and sanitary sewer infrastructure, please contact Records at (905) 791-7800 x7993 or by e-mail PWServiceRequests@peelregion.ca.

Comments Prepared by: Petrele Francois, Junior Planner