# City of Mississauga Memorandium: City Department and Agency Comments

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To: Committee of Adjustment

From: Committee of Adjustment Coordinator

File(s): A393/20 Ward: 11

Meeting date: 2020-12-10

### **Consolidated Recommendation**

The City has no objection to the variance, as requested. 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 the construction of a new house, proposing a gross floor area of 355.50m<sup>2</sup> (approx. 3826.57sq.ft); whereas, By-law 0225-2007, as amended, permits a maximum gross floor area of 315.37m<sup>2</sup> (approx. 3394.61sq.ft), in this instance.

## Background

Property Address: 23 Earl Street

Mississauga Official Plan

Character Area:Streetsville NeighbourhoodDesignation:Residential Low Density I

#### Zoning By-law 0225-2007

Zoning: R3-69 (Residential)

**Other Applications:** 

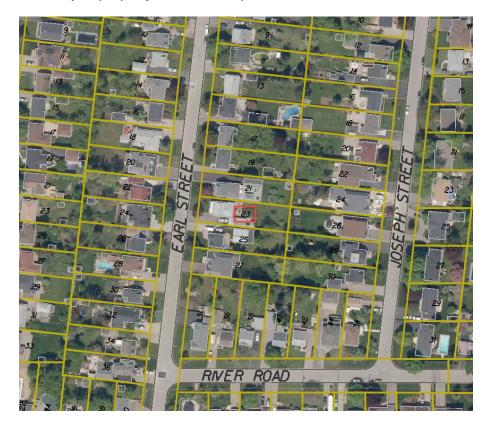
None

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#### Site and Area Context

The property is located south-east of the Britannia Road West and Queen Street South intersection, and currently houses a two-storey, detached dwelling. Contextually, the area is comprised of a mixture of post-war, one and two storey detached residential structures, intermingled with newer construction in the form of larger replacement dwellings. The properties within the immediate area possess lot frontages of +/-15.5m, with moderate vegetative / natural landscaped elements within the front yards.

The subject property is an interior parcel, with a lot area of 826.77m<sup>2</sup> and a frontage of 15.24m.



### Comments

#### Planning

Section 45 of the *Planning Act* provides the Committee of Adjustment the authority to grant relief from the requirements stipulated by the municipal Zoning By-law, provided that such applications meet the requirements set out under Section 45(1) and/or 45(2) (a) or (b) of the *Planning Act*.

Staff comments concerning this minor variance request are as follows:

#### Does the proposal maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan?

The site is located within the Streetsville Neighbourhood Character Area, and designated Residential Low Density I by the Mississauga Official Plan (MOP). The Residential Low Density I designation permits detached dwellings.

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. The subject lands are to be used for residential purposes. The proposed dwelling respects the designated residential land use, and, despite the variance, has regard for the distribution of massing on the property as a whole. The variance, as requested, meets the purpose and general intent of the Official Plan.

#### Does the proposal maintain the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law?

As per Zoning By-law 0225-2007, the subject property is zoned R3-69 (Residential). Pursuant to Table 4.2.4.69(2) (R3 Exception Zones), this zone regulates a detached dwelling's maximum gross floor area. The general intent of this portion of the Zoning By-law, as it pertains to infill development, is to ensure that individual properties are not overly developed and that additional massing resulting from such construction will not negatively impact the character of the surrounding neighbourhood.

Despite requiring relief to permit the proposed increase in gross floor area; the detached dwelling remains appropriate in size and whose massing is well-hidden by several incorporated design features: primarily, the projecting garage and bay windows contrasted against the recessed entrance; the multiple roof elements and sections, etc. – all of which result in an unobtrusive design from a streetscape perspective. The variance, as requested, maintains the purpose and general intent of the Zoning By-law.

# Is the proposal desirable for the appropriate development of the subject lands and minor in nature?

The proposed dwelling is in scale with the overall property as a whole, and, does not result in the over massing of the site. Staff further note, while infill zoning regulations were enacted to restrict over-massing of dwellings within this community, the presence of larger developments within the immediate contextual area does support the proposal of a larger structure, in this instance. The variance, as requested, results in both the orderly development of the lands, and whose impacts are minor in nature.

# Conclusion

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Based upon the preceding information, it is the opinion of Staff that the variance, as requested, meets the general intent and purpose of both MOP and the Zoning By-law; is minor in nature; and, is desirable for the orderly development of the lands.

Planning Staff would however echo the Zoning Department's concern regarding the absence of any formal permit applications at this time and would reiterate that a comprehensive zoning review has yet to be completed. The Applicant may wish to defer the application to ensure that all required variances have been accurately identified.

Comments Prepared by: Roberto Vertolli, Committee of Adjustment Planner

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# 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 new dwelling will be addressed through the Building Permit process.



Comments Prepared by: David Martin, Supervisor Development Engineering

#### Appendix 2 – Zoning Comments

The Building Department is not in receipt of any permit applications at this time. In the absence of any permit application, this Department is unable to confirm the accuracy of the information provided, or determine whether additional variance(s) may be required. It should be noted that a full zoning review has not been completed.

Comments Prepared by: Brian Bonner, Zoning Examiner

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### Memorandium: City Department and Agency Comments Appendix 5 – Region of Peel Comments

Regional Planning staff have reviewed the applications listed on the December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Committee of Adjustment Agenda. We have no comments or objections to the following applications:

Deferred Application: DEF-A-301/20

**Minor Variance Applications:** A-391/20, A-393/20, A-394/20, A-399/20, A-400/20, A-404/20, A-406/20

Comments Prepared by: Diana Guida, Junior Planner

#### Appendix 7 - Ministry of Transportation of Ontario

The above property-project is within the MTO PCA. Should there be planned structural changes, then a MTO Building Permit will be required. The changes to the driveway length are not a concern to the MTO.

Comments Prepared by: Corey Caple, Corridor Management Officer