

Report Committee of Adjustment

•	August 16, 2024 September 17, 2024
File:	A-2024-0320
Owner/ Applicant:	Gagandeep Singh, Jaspreet Kaur Edward Gill
Address:	263 Clockwork Drive
Ward:	Ward 6
Contact:	Emily Mailling, Planning Technician

Recommendations:

That application A-2024-0320 is supportable, subject to the following conditions being imposed:

- 1. That the extent of the variances be limited to that shown on the sketch attached to the Notice of Decision;
- 2. That the below grade entrance shall not be used to access an unregistered second unit;
- 3. That drainage on adjacent properties should not be adversely affected;
- 4. That failure to comply with and maintain the conditions of the Committee shall render the approval null and void.

Background:

Existing Zoning:

The property is zoned 'Residential Single Detached – Special Section 2556 (F-x -R1F-2556), according to By-law 270-2004, as amended.

Requested Variance:

The applicant is requesting the following variance:

1. To permit an interior side yard setback of 0.1 metres to a proposed exterior stairway leading to a below grade entrance, whereas the by-law requires a minimum setback of 0.3 metres to an exterior stairway leading to a below grade entrance in the interior side yard provided that a continuous side yard width of no less than 1.2 metres is provided on the opposite side of the dwelling.

Current Situation:

1. Maintains the General Intent and Purpose of the Official Plan

The subject property is designated as 'Community Areas' (Schedule 1A – City Structure) and 'Neighbourhood' (Schedule 2 – Designations) in the Brampton Plan. On May 16th, 2024, the Region of Peel formally issued a notice of approval with modifications for the City of Brampton's new Official Plan, known as the 'Brampton Plan.' The Plan was scheduled to take effect on June 6th, 2024, except for any sections that may be subject to appeal. Schedules 1A and 2 have been appealed on a city-wide basis and therefore the 2006 Official Plan designations are in effect until the appeal is resolved.

The property is designated 'Residential' in the Official Plan and 'Low / Medium Density Residential' in the Mount Pleasant Secondary Plan (Area 51). The requested variance has no impact within the context of the policies of the Official Plan and Secondary Plan and maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan.

2. <u>Maintains the General Intent and Purpose of the Zoning By-law</u>

The Variance is requested to permit an interior side yard setback of 0.1 metres to a proposed exterior stairway leading to a below grade entrance, whereas the by-law requires a minimum setback of 0.3 metres to an exterior stairway leading to a below grade entrance in the interior side yard provided that a continuous side yard width of no less than 1.2 metres is provided on the opposite side of the dwelling.

The intent of the by-law is to ensure that an adequate amount of space is provided to allow for drainage, while still allowing access to the rear yard. When completing a review to determine whether the location of a below grade entrance and resulting interior side yard setback are appropriate, Staff look to ensure that its location will not contribute to disturbance onto adjacent properties by way of drainage or access. Despite the setback being reduced to 0.1 metres, access to the rear yard is maintained as there is an adequate continuous side yard width on the opposite side of the dwelling. Subject to the conditions of approval, the Variance is considered to maintain the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law.

3. Desirable for the Appropriate Development of the Land

The Variance is requested to permit an interior side yard that is less than what is required by the Zoning By-law. Despite the below grade entrance resulting in a reduced interior

setback, Staff are satisfied that with the current proposal as there is an appropriate continuous side yard width on the opposite side for access to the rear yard. Conditions of approval have also been included noting that the below grade entrance shall not be used to access an unregistered second unit and that drainage on the adjacent properties shall not be adversely affected. Subject to the recommended conditions of approval, the Variance is appropriate for the development of the land.

4. Minor in Nature

The proposed location of the below grade entrance and reduced interior side yard setback are not considered to impact access to the rear yard. The location of the proposed below grade entrance to access the house is appropriate given the site context. The requested variance is not considered to have significant impact on drainage or limit access to the property. Subject to the recommended conditions of approval, the variance is deemed minor in nature.

Respectfully Submitted,

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