



Report Committee of Adjustment

Filing Date: December 12th, 2024
Hearing Date: January 28th, 2025
File: A-2024-0456
Owner: Harinder and Ramanjeet Sidhu
Applicant: Shivang Tarika
Address: 93 Creditstone Road
Ward: Ward 4
Contact: Marina Shafagh, Planner I, Development

Recommendations:

That application A-2024-0456 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 not be impacted; and
 4. That failure to comply with and maintain the conditions of the Committee shall render the approval null and void.
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Background:

Existing Zoning:

The property is zoned 'Residential Single Detached D- Special Section 2780 (R1D-2780)', according to By-law 270-2004, as amended.

Requested Variances:

The applicant is requesting the following variances:

1. To permit an existing exterior stairway leading to a below grade entrance in a required side yard, whereas the by-law does not permit exterior stairways constructed below established grade in the required side yard.
2. To permit a 0.09 metres side yard setback to an existing exterior stairway leading to below grade entrance in the required interior side yard and 0.96 metres on the other side, whereas the by-law requires a minimum side yard setback of 1.2 metres on one side and 0.6 metres on the other side.

Current Situation:

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

The property is designated 'Residential' in the Official Plan and 'Low Medium Density Residential' in the Fletcher's Creek South Secondary Plan (Area 24).

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 requested variances are not considered to have significant impacts within the context of the Official Plan policies. Subject to the recommended conditions of approval, the requested variances are considered to maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan.

2. Maintains the General Intent and Purpose of the Zoning By-law

Variance 1 is requested to permit an exterior stairway leading to a below grade entrance in the required interior side yard, whereas the by-law does not permit exterior stairways constructed below the established grade in the required interior side yard. The intent of the by-law in prohibiting below grade entrances in the interior side yard is to ensure that sufficient space is provided for access to the rear of the property. Access to the rear yard is not impacted, as access is maintained with the proposed configuration of the exterior stairway and resulting setbacks. Subject to the recommended conditions of approval, Variance 1 is considered to maintain the general intent of the Zoning By-law.

Variance 2 is requested to permit a 0.09 metres side yard setback to an existing exterior stairway leading to below grade entrance in the required interior side yard and 0.96 metres on the other side, whereas the by-law requires a minimum side yard setback of 1.2 metres on one side and 0.6 metres on the other side. The intent of the by-law in regulating minimum interior side yard setbacks is to ensure that sufficient space is maintained for not only access to the rear yard of the property but also to minimize negative impacts on drainage between the exterior stairs, property line and adjacent properties. Despite the reduction in the interior side yard setbacks, the addition of the below grade entrance, built in accordance with the Ontario Building Code requiring proper drainage for this form of construction, is not anticipated to negatively impact drainage on site nor adjacent properties. Subject

to the recommended conditions of approval, Variance 2 is considered to maintain the general intent of the Zoning By-law.

3. Desirable for the Appropriate Development of the Land

The requested variances are intended to facilitate the construction of a below grade entrance to be located within a required interior side yard which is intended to be used as an entrance to a second unit within the dwelling. A condition of approval is recommended that the below grade entrance not be used to access an unregistered second unit to ensure that any second unit is constructed in accordance with the Ontario Building Code.

Subject to the recommended conditions, the requested variances are considered to be desirable for the appropriate development of the land.

4. Minor in Nature

The requested variances are intended to facilitate a below grade entrance to a secondary unit within the interior side yard of a residential property. The location of the entrance does not present any concerns with regards to drainage for the subject property or adjacent properties and sufficient space to the rear yard is maintained, subject to the recommended conditions of approval, the variances are considered to be minor in nature.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Appendix A

