Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment

October 23, 2025

File: B/026/25

Address: 7528 Woodbine Avenue, Markham

Applicant: Glen Schnarr & Associates Inc. (Sarah Clark)

Hearing Date: Wednesday, October 29, 2025

The following comments are provided on behalf of the West Team:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of *The Planning Act*, R.S.O, 1990 c.P.13, as amended, and Ontario Regulation No. 197/96, the applicant is requesting provisional consent to:

a) **establish an easement** over the retained lands severed under application B/019/24, being Part 4 of Plan 65R-41192, for the purposes of stormwater management in favour of the severed lands, being Parts 1 & 2, Plan 65R-41192.

The purpose of this application is to establish servicing easements for stormwater management. This application is related to previously approved Consent application B/019/24 for a self-storage facility.

BACKGROUND

Property Description

The 11,226 m² (120,836 ft²) Subject Property is located on the west side of Woodbine Avenue and north of John Street within the South Don Mills Employment district. The property is under development as a previous site plan application was approved to permit three commercial buildings on the Subject Lands.

Surrounding land uses include the CN Rail corridor to the north, a multi-unit commercial plaza to the south, an automotive dealership (Don Valley North Hyundai) to the east across Woodbine Avenue, and a place of worship (Yumkwang Korean Presbyterian Church) to the west of the subject property.

Previous Applications

A Site Plan application was approved to permit the development of multi-unit commercial buildings on the retained parcel under file SC 13 135026.

A Zoning By-law Amendment was approved under file PLAN 23 117840 to add commercial self-storage as a permitted use on the Subject Lands together with a site-specific parking rate (By-law 2024-72).

A Consent application was approved under file B/019/24 (CSNT 24.177552) to sever and convey a parcel of land addressed as 7550 Woodbine Avenue and retain a parcel of land addressed as 7528 & 7530 Woodbine Avenue. In addition, easements for the purposes of pedestrian and vehicular access were also established over the conveyed and retained lands by way of application B/019/24.

Proposal

The purpose of this application is to establish servicing easements for the Subject Lands. The easements will be established as Part 4 of Plan 65R-41192. This is required for stormwater management of the severed lands, being Parts 1 & 2, Plan 65R-41192.

COMMENTS

2014 Official Plan:

The Subject Lands are designated as "Service Employment" under the 2014 Official Plan, which provides for commercial developments consisting of office, retail and service uses. Commercial self-storage facilities are deemed a discretionary use, which is permitted subject to the submission of a site-specific zoning by-law amendment.

Zoning By-law 108-81:

The Subject Lands are zoned "Business Corridor" under By-law 108-81, as amended. The Subject Lands permit banks, a day nursery and day care centre, dry cleaning establishments, personal service shops, restaurants, retail stores commercial schools, and a commercial self-storage facility.

COMMENTS:

Planning Staff

Planning Staff have no objections to the request to establish the easement over the retained lands. Planning Staff further note that a revised application for Site Plan approval will be required to permit the development of the proposed commercial self-storage building on the severed parcel.

Urban Design Staff

Urban Design Staff have no objections to the approval of the application. As an advisory comment, Urban Design Staff note that confirmation will be required for tree removal within the boundaries of the proposed easement or the municipal right of way.

Parks Staff

Parks Staff have no objections to the approval of the application. As an advisory comment, Parks Staff note that the obligation for parkland dedication has already been fulfilled by the execution of a Site Plan Agreement associated with the subject site (SC 13 135026). The applicant has paid their cash-in-lieu of parkland amount in full. As such, the City will not require the conveyance of land for park purposes and/or cash-in-lieu of parkland as a condition of approval for this application.

CONCLUSION

Planning Staff have reviewed the applications with respect to Section 51 (24) of The Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, and are of the opinion that the consent requests are supportable given direction as contained within the Act. Staff recommend that the Committee consider public input in reaching a decision should any be provided.

Please refer to Appendix "A" for conditions to be attached to any approval of this application.

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APPENDIX "A" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF B/026/25

- 1. Payment of all outstanding realty taxes and local improvements charges owing to date against both the subject and retained parcels, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation that this condition has been fulfilled.
- 2. Submission to the Secretary-Treasurer of the required transfers to effect the severances applied for under Files B/026/25, in duplicate, conveying the subject lands, and issuance by the Secretary Treasurer of the certificate required under subsection 53(42) of the Planning Act.
- 3. Submission to the Secretary-Treasurer of deposited reference plan showing the subject lands, which conforms substantially to the application as submitted.
- 4. Fulfillment of all of the above conditions within two years of the date that notice of the decision was given under Section 53(17) or 53(24) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended.

CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:

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