Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment July 31, 2018

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A/111/18

Address:

31 Carolwood Crescent, Markham

Applicant:

Mohammad & Zakia Hasnat

Agent:

Spatial Concepts Inc. (Jamshiaid Durrani)

Hearing Date:

Wednesday August 08, 2018

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

The applicant is requesting relief from the following requirements of By-law 304-87, as amended:

a) Parking By-law 28-97, Section 6.2.4.5 (a):

a maximum secondary driveway width of 5.8 m, whereas the By-law permits a maximum secondary driveway width of 3.7 m; as it relates to a proposed circular driveway addition to a residential dwelling that is currently under construction.

The applicant is proposing to widen the existing secondary driveway to 5.8 m whereas the By-law permits a maximum secondary driveway width of 3.7 m. This represents an increase of approximately 2.1 m. The proposed driveway extension includes the removal of a tree and will be reviewed upon the submission of a Tree Preservation Plan, which is a recommended condition of approval. The proposal will not result in a significant reduction of soft landscaping at the front of the property. In addition, as the proposed driveway is being widened internally; and, that there is adequate separation between lots, it is the opinion of Staff that there will not be any adverse impacts to the neighbouring lots.

Applicant's Stated Reason(s) for Not Complying with Zoning

According to the information provided by the applicant, "... [the] by-law only permits 3.7m for second driveway".

Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) not Undertaken

The applicant has confirmed that a Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) has <u>not</u> been conducted. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure that the application has accurately identified all the variances to the Zoning By-law required for the proposed development. If the variance request in this application contains errors, or if the need for additional variances is identified during the Building Permit review process, further variance application(s) may be required to address the non-compliance.

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

No written submissions were received as of July 31st, 2018. It is noted that additional information may be received after the writing of this report, and the Secretary-Treasurer will provide any additional information on this application at the meeting of the Committee of Adjustment.

CONCLUSION

Planning Staff have reviewed the application with respect to Section 45(1) of The *Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13*, as amended, and are of the opinion that the variance request meets the four tests of the Planning Act. Staff have no objections to the variance requested (subject to the condition attached hereto) however, recommend that the Committee consider public input prior to reaching a decision.

The onus is ultimately contingent on the applicant to demonstrate why they should be granted relief from the requirements of the zoning by-law, and how they satisfy the tests of the Planning Act required for the granting of minor variances.

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

PREPARED BY:

Aqsa Malik, Planner, Zoning and Special Projects

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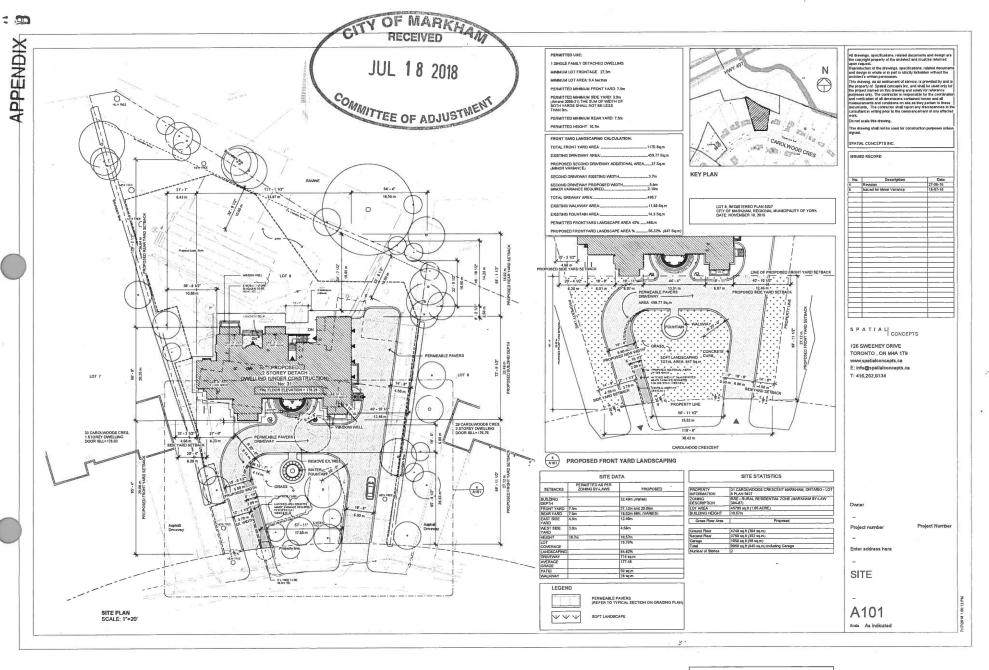
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APPENDIX "A" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/111/18

- 1. The variances apply only to the proposed development as long as it remains;
- 2. That the variances apply only to the subject development, in substantial conformity with the plan(s) attached as 'Appendix B' to this Staff Report and received by the City of Markham on July 18, 2018 and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the Director of Planning and Urban Design or designate that this condition has been fulfilled to his or her satisfaction.
- 3. Submission of a Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan, prepared by a qualified arborist in accordance with the City's Streetscape Manual (2009), as amended, to be reviewed and approved by the City, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the Director of Planning and Urban Design or designate that this condition has been fulfilled to his/her satisfaction, and that any detailed Siting, Lot Grading and Servicing Plan required as a condition of approval reflects the Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan.
- 4. That prior to the commencement of construction or demolition, tree protection be erected and maintained around all trees on site in accordance with the City's Streetscape Manual, including street trees, in accordance with the City's Streetscape Manual (2009) as amended, and inspected by City Staff to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Urban Design or their designate.
- 5. That tree replacements be provided and/or tree replacement fees be paid to the City if required in accordance with the Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation that this condition has been fulfilled to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning and Urban Design or designate;

CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:

Agsa Malik, Planner Zoning and Special Projects



NOTE: FOR EXISTING TREE PROTECTION AND NEW TREE PLANTATION REFER TO ARBORIST DRAWINGS AND GRADING PLAN.

