Leung, Justin

From:

Malik, Agsa

Sent:

Monday, October 22, 2018 9:29 AM

To:

Leung, Justin

Subject:

RE: 127 Sherwood Forest Dr

Hi Justin,

The original report is still applicable - there were no revisions from the applicant - and it should be good to go.

Best, Agsa

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From: Leung, Justin

Sent: Friday, October 19, 2018 9:19 AM To: Malik, Aqsa <AMalik@markham.ca> Subject: 127 Sherwood Forest Dr

Hi Aqsa, you may recall this property's MV application had been deferred as the public notice hadn't gone out. I know you had previously prepared a staff report for this one. Did you want to include email addendum or slightly revise this report before I get it out to public? Thanks.

Justin Leung, MES(PI) ACST(A) MCIP RPP

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Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment October 1, 2018

File:

A/134/18

Address:

127 Sherwood Forest Dr. Markham

Applicant:

Shuang Liu Dan Zhou

Agent: Hearing Date:

Wednesday October 10, 2018

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

The applicant is requesting relief from the following requirements of By-law 1229, R1, as amended, to permit:

a) Section 11.2(c)(i): an unenclosed/uncovered porch and steps to encroach a maximum of 8.58 feet into the required front yard setback, whereas the By-law permits a maximum encroachment of 18 inches into any required yard; as it relates to an addition of a deck to an existing two storey dwelling.

The applicant is requesting relief for an unenclosed/uncovered porch and steps to encroach a maximum of 102.96 inches (8.58 ft.) into the required front yard setback, whereas the By-law permits a maximum encroachment of 18 inches (1.5 ft.) into any required yard. This represents a difference of approximately 84.96 inches (7.08 ft.). The property is a corner lot with one property abutting the east side and Bud lane abutting the west side. The proposed porch and steps project from the first floor of the raised bungalow towards Sherwood Forest Drive, the defined front yard. Staff recognize that the property has a unique configuration, it is oriented towards Bud lane but Sherwood Forest Drive is considered the front yard under the Zoning By-law.

There is an existing hedgerow that provides some screening from the street and the neighbouring property. If the hedgerow was to be removed, the deck would be highly visible from the street as it would be projecting into the front yard along Sherwood Forest Drive, there would also be a loss of screening for the abutting neighbour to the east. Staff asked the applicant to consider adding a platform and lowering the proposed porch to reduce the visibility of the proposed deck from the street and the abutting neighbour to the east. The applicant chose to proceed without making any changes. The proposed porch comes off the ground floor of a raised bungalow and provides some screening from the neighbouring property and streets via the existing hedgerow. Given this, Staff are of the opinion that the variance request is appropriate for the unique lot.

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

According to the information provided by the applicant, "The dwelling is a corner lot and the house is facing Bud Lane. The front yard by definition has been used as the back yard since it has the most privacy. Please see Google images attached. Also the proposed deck is next to kitchen/dining room area. It will allow us to better enjoy the outdoors".

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 October 1, 2018. It is noted that additional information may be received after the writing of the report, and the Secretary-Treasurer will provide information on this at the meeting.

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 recommend that the Committee consider public input in reaching a decision.

The onus is ultimately 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:

Agsa Matik, Planner, Zoning and Special Projects

REVIEWED BY:

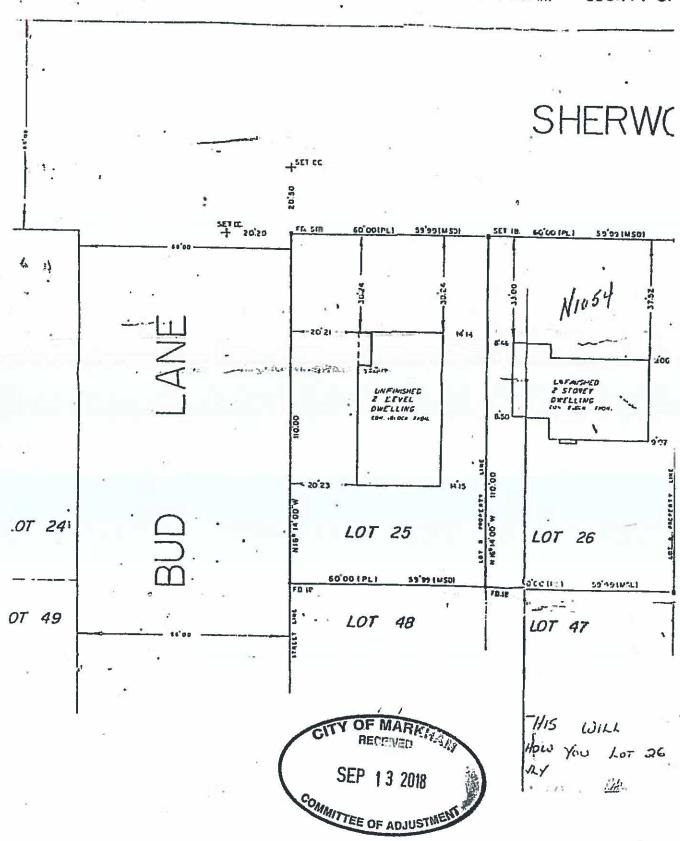
APPENDIX "A" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/134/18

- 1. That the porch remain unenclosed and uncovered;
- 2. The variances apply only to the proposed development as long as it remains;
- 3. The owner must provide replacement screening if the existing hedgerow is removed, satisfactory to the Director of Planning and Urban Design or their designate;
- 4. 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 dated September 13, 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.

CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:

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