Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment

November 28, 2018

File: A/152/18

Address: 404 Manhattan Dr, Markham Applicant: Promila & Satya Shorey

Agent: Complete Home Construction Inc. (Giancarlo Tari)

Hearing Date: Wednesday December 12, 2018

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

The applicant is requesting relief from the following requirements of By-law 134-79, R7, as amended:

a) Section 7.2:

to permit a maximum lot coverage of 35 percent, whereas the By-law permits a lot coverage of 33-1/3 percent; as it relates to a proposed two storey detached dwelling.

BACKGROUND

Property Description

The 611.39 m² (6,581 ft²) subject property is located on the north side of Manhattan Drive, south of 16th Avenue and west of McCowan Road. The property is located within a residential neighbourhood comprised of two-storey detached dwellings. There is an existing two-storey detached dwelling on the property, which according to assessment records was constructed in 1989. The north and west side of the dwelling abuts Manhattan Woods Park.

Proposal

The applicant is proposing to construct a one-storey 18.02 m² (195 ft²) sunroom at the rear of the dwelling.

Official Plan and Zoning

Official Plan 2014 (partially approved on Nov 24/17, and further updated on April 9/18)

The subject property is designated "Residential – Low Rise", which provides for low rise housing forms including single detached dwellings. Infill development is required to meet the general intent of the 2014 Official Plan with respect to height, massing and setbacks to ensure that the development is appropriate for the site and also generally consistent with the zoning requirements for adjacent properties and properties along the same street. Regard must also be had for retention of existing trees and vegetation, as well as the width of proposed garages and driveways. Planning staff have had regard for the infill development criteria in the preparation of the comments provided below.

Zoning By-Law 134-79

The subject property is zoned R7 'Seventh Density – Single Family Residential' in By-law 134-79, as amended, which permits a single-detached dwelling. The proposed development does not comply with the by-law with respect to maximum lot coverage.

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

According to the information provided by the applicant, the reason for not complying with Zoning is, "it is not possible to comply with the current Zoning By-Law as it would make the addition too small to use".

Zoning Preliminary Review Undertaken

The applicant has completed a Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) to confirm the variances required for the proposed development.

COMMENTS

The Planning Act states that four tests must be met in order for a variance to be granted by the Committee of Adjustment:

- a) The variance must be minor in nature;
- b) The variance must be desirable, in the opinion of the Committee of Adjustment, for the appropriate development or use of land, building or structure;
- c) The general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law must be maintained;
- d) The general intent and purpose of the Official Plan must be maintained.

Increase in Maximum Lot Coverage

The applicant is requesting relief for a maximum lot coverage of 35 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum lot coverage of 33-1/3 percent. The proposed lot coverage is attributable to a rear one-storey sun room which adds approximately 18.02 m² (195 ft²) to the overall building area. The proposed sunroom is at the rear of the existing dwelling and will not be visible from the street, as such it will have minimal impact on the appearance and character of the existing streetscape. It will be adjacent to the east property line and will maintain existing side yard setbacks. The proposed sunroom will not compromise the rear yard amenity space as it will maintain a setback of approximately 28 feet from the rear property line. Given that the proposed one-storey sunroom is at the rear of the dwelling and maintains all setbacks, Staff are of the opinion that the variance request is minor in nature and have no objection.

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

No written submissions were received as of November 28, 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

PREPARED BY:

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 and have no objection. 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.

Aqsa Malik, Planner Zoning and Special Projects

REVIEWED BY:

Richard Kendall, Development Manager, Central District

APPENDIX "A" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/152/18

- 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 A' to this Staff Report and received by the City of Markham on October 10, 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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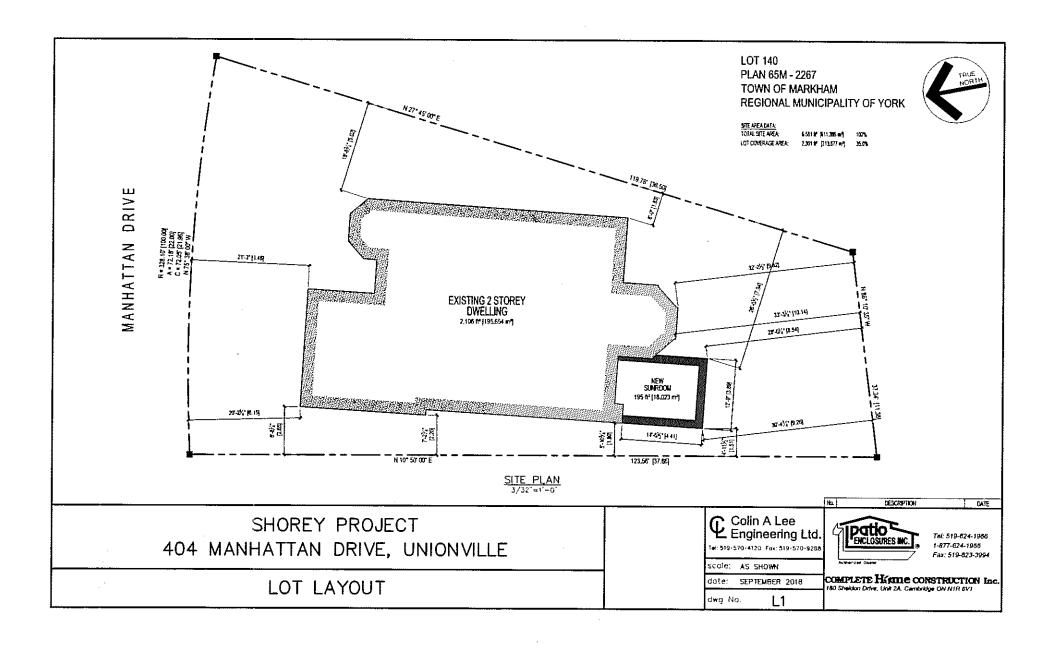
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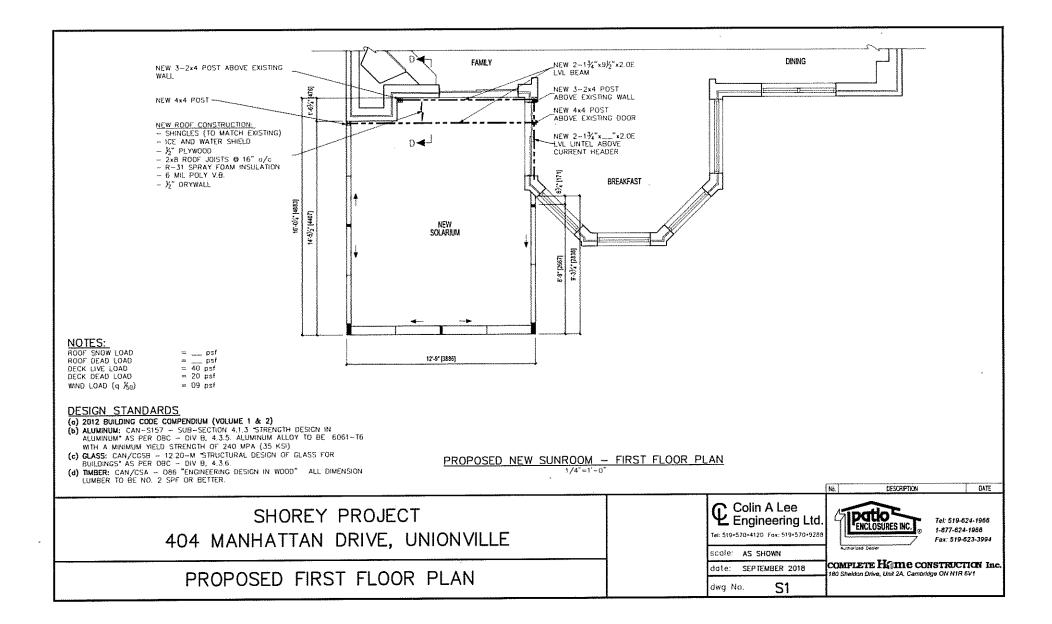
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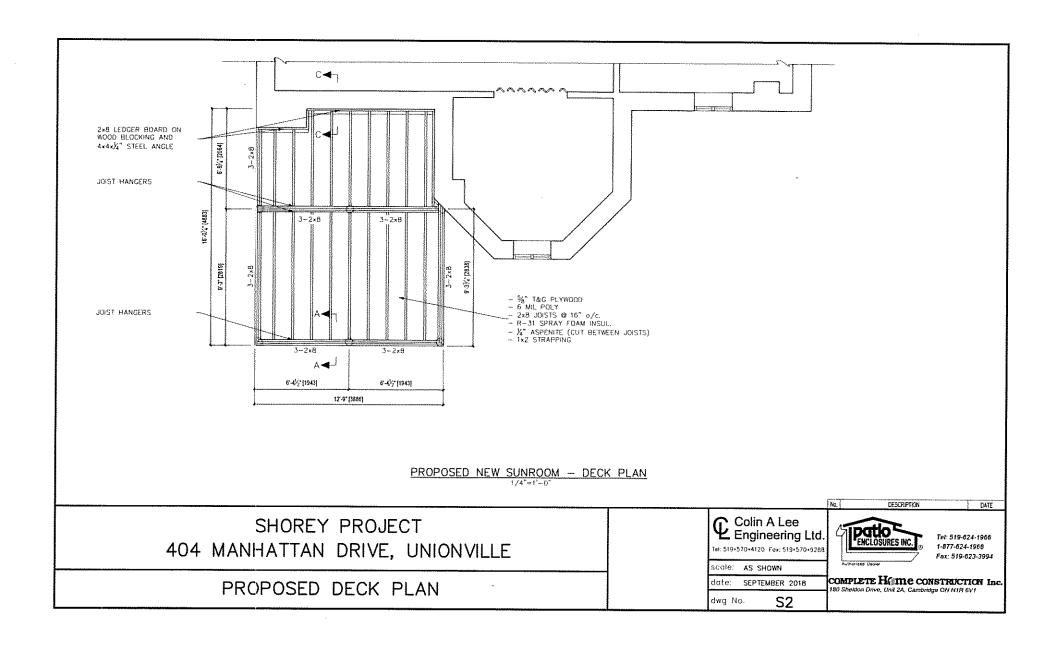
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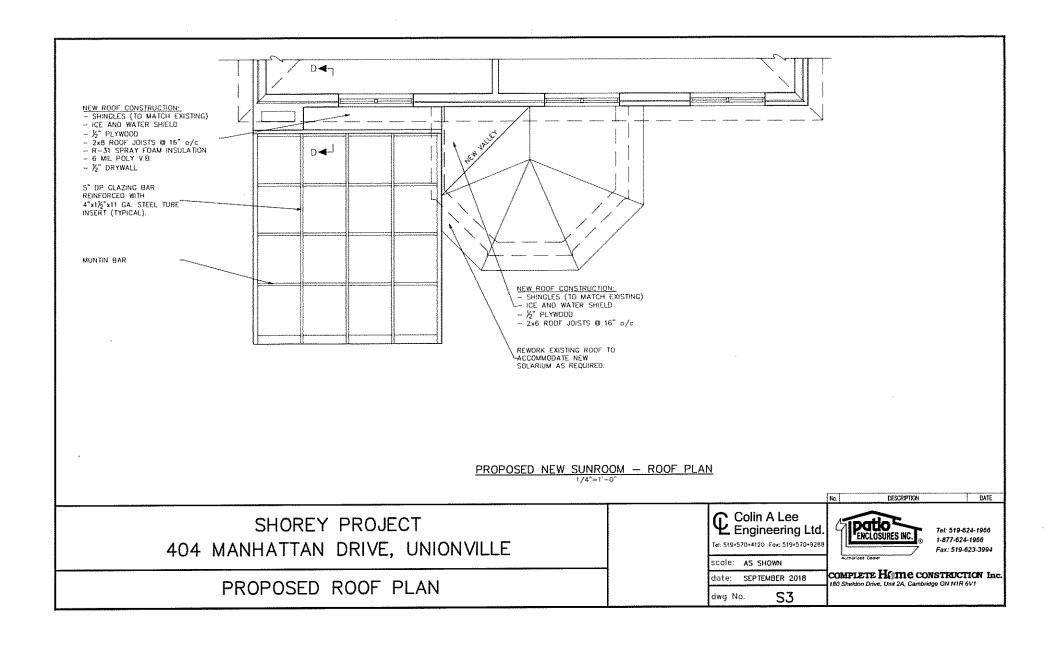


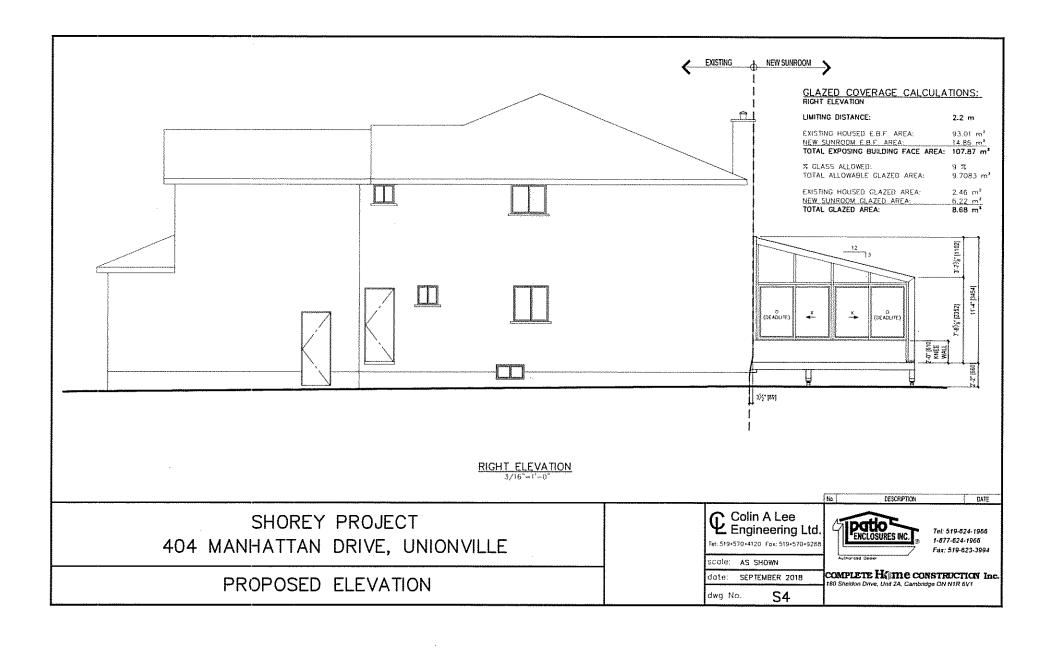












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