Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment

June 26, 2018

File:	A/70/18
Address:	8500 & 8432 Leslie Street, 220 Commerce Valley Drive West,
	Thornhill
Applicant:	Shatsford Developments Inc. (Ennio Zuccon)
Agent:	Baldassarra Architects (Hannah Penman)
Hearing Date:	Wednesday July 11, 2018

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

The applicant is requesting relief from the following requirements of By-law 165-80, as amended:

a) Parking By-law 28-97, Table B:

a minimum of 1 parking space for every 30 sq. m of Net Floor Area, whereas the By-law requires a minimum of 1 parking space for every 20 sq. m Net Floor Area; as it relates to a proposed medical office in an existing mixed-use building.

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, *"existing conditions does not allow for further expansion in parking".*

Zoning Preliminary Review Not Undertaken

The owner has confirmed that a Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) has not been conducted. Consequently, 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 variances in the application contains errors, or if the need for additional variances are identified during the Building Permit review process, further variance application(s) may be required to address the outstanding matters and there will be a delay in application processing.

COMMENTS

The applicant is proposing a new medical office which increases the parking required on the site by 24 parking spaces from 1308 to 1332 parking spaces. This is approximately 2 percent of the total existing parking supply.

The medical office will be using space within the existing building that was previously occupied by a business office. A business office requires 1 space for every 30 sq. m of Net Floor Area and a medical offices requires 1 space for every 20 sq. m of Net Floor Area. The medical office will occupy approximately 1394 m² (15004 ft²) which, staff note equates to 70 parking spaces required. The business office rate equates to 46 parking spaces required. Consequently, a deficiency of 24 parking spaces results. Staff have reviewed the file with transportation engineering, who have no concerns with the parking deficit.

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

No written submissions were received as of June 26th, 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 and have no objection, provided a condition included that caps the total Gross Floor Area devoted to medical office at 1395 m² (15016 ft²). 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.

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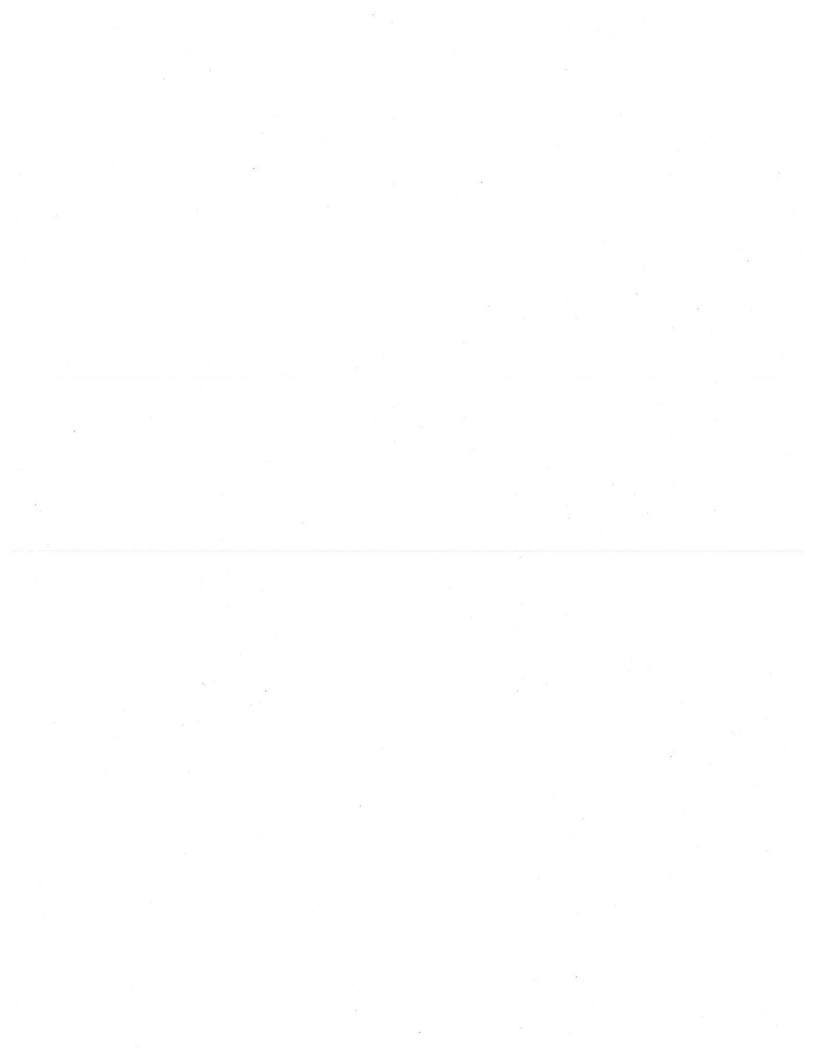
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APPENDIX "A" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/70/18

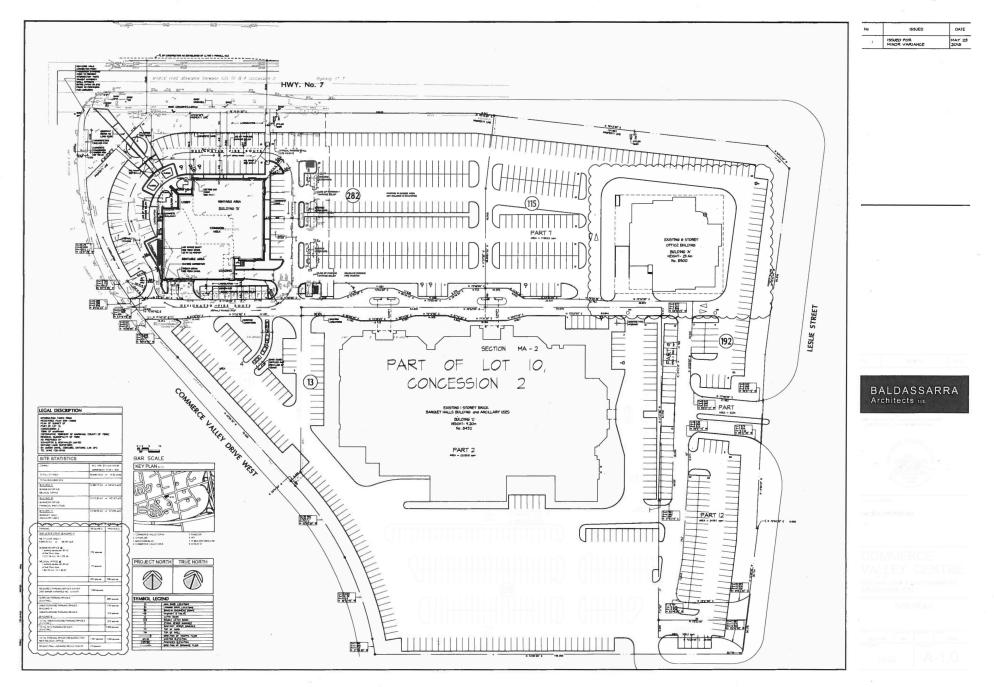
- 1. The variances apply only to the proposed development as long as it remains;
- 2. That the total Gross Floor Area devoted to a medical office be capped at 1395 m² (15016 ft²).

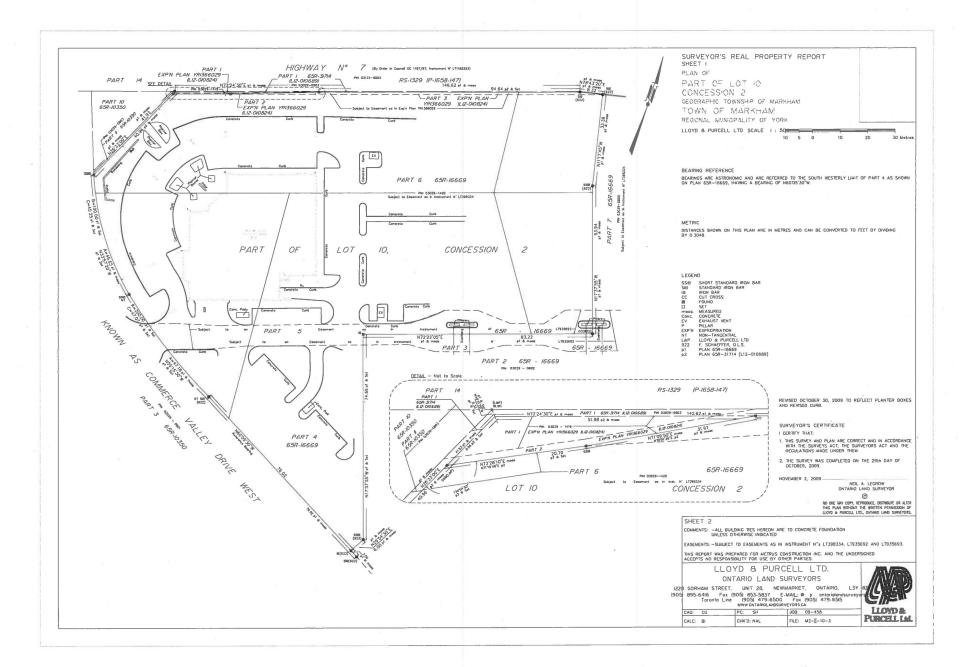
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APPENDIX B





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