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Ontario Municipal Board Commission des affaires municipales de l'Ontario

IN THE MATTER OF subsection 53(19) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. P. 13, as amended

Applicant and Appellant: John Goodfellow-Jones, Gregory Blair

Jones

Subject: Consent

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APPEARANCES:

<u>Parties</u> <u>Counsel</u>

John Goodfellow-Jones and Gregory Blair K. Kovar Jones

MEMORANDUM OF ORAL DECISION DELIVERED BY SUSAN de AVELLAR SCHILLER ON OCTOBER 16, 2012 AND ORDER OF THE BOARD

- [1] Messrs. J. Goodfellow-Jones and G. B. Jones ("Applicants") wish to demolish an existing bungalow, divide the existing lot into two lots and build two new two-storey houses, one on each new lot. They have applied for consent to sever and for associated variances to the zoning by-law.
- [2] No one appeared in opposition to the proposal.
- [3] The Board heard from Mr. M. Bissett, a qualified land use planner who is a full member of the Canadian Institute of Planners and a Registered Professional Planner in Ontario. Mr. Bissett acknowledged the expert's duty to the Board.
- [4] The subject site is within the Lakeview planning district of the City of Mississauga ("City"). The site is at the east end of Gardner Avenue. Gardner Avenue itself ends just beyond the subject site at a townhouse development. East of the townhouse development is a spur rail line that runs roughly north-south.
- [5] Gardner Avenue is north of Lakeshore Road East, which is commercial in this area. Gardner Avenue is south of the CN rail line running east-west. Small industrial uses are dotted along the south side of the rail line.
- [6] The area has a variety of lot sizes and lot frontages. The subject site is one of the larger lots. The two smaller lots that would result from a division of this larger lot would not comply with the zoning by-law. For that reason, the Board has before it an application for minor variance.
- [7] There are three variances being sought:

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- 1. A lot area of 330 sq. m. where the by-law requirement is 550 sq. m.;
- 2. Lot frontage of 9.84 m. where the by-law requirement is 15 m.; and
- 3. An interior side yard setback between the proposed two new houses of 1.24 m. where the by-law requirement for a side yard setback for two-storey houses is 1.81 m.
- [8] The Provincial Policy Statement ("PPS") and the provincial Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe ("GGH") both emphasize intensification generally and both seek the efficient use of land and existing infrastructure. The proposed development would result in two houses to replace one. The location is within a settlement area and has existing infrastructure for full municipal services.
- [9] The Board finds that the variances and proposed division of land are consistent with the PPS and conform to the GGH.
- [10] The City's Official Plan ('OP") designates the subject site as residential. The OP encourages:
 - 1. compatible residential intensification,
 - 2. high quality design that enhances the community character, and
 - 3. a compact and orderly urban form.

In addition, the OP discourages the reduction of residential densities.

- [11] The OP calls for a range of housing types and densities for the subject site. The proposed development fits within both the range of housing types and the densities.
- [12] The residential use in the area to the west of the subject site is generally single family detached housing. The proposal would replace a single house with two new single family detached houses.
- [13] The applicants have filed elevations for the proposed development that demonstrate a careful attention to design and have indicated a willingness to build substantially in accordance with those plans.

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- [14] The proposed two houses met the OP objective of a compact and orderly urban form.
- [15] The Board finds that the requested variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the OP.
- [16] The by-law requirements for lot area, frontage and side yard setback are intended to ensure appropriate access for maintenance and safety and to provide appropriate levels of privacy.
- [17] The Board finds that that proposed lot area and lot frontage are appropriate for the development of the proposed houses.
- [18] The side yard setback is the interior side yard between the two proposed new houses. There is no impact on the adjacent house to the west or to the townhouse development to the east. No evidence was put before the Board of any concern that the reduced interior side yard setback would impede access for safety or maintenance purposes.
- [19] The Board finds that the requested variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the zoning by-law.
- [20] The Board also considered the criteria set out in s. 51(24) of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990 c. P.13, which the Board must consider when determining the appropriateness of a requested division of land. The Board is satisfied that the proposed lots are an appropriate size and shape and that the proposed division of land meets the applicable criteria of s. 51(24).
- [21] The site plan and elevations, found at Attachment 1 to this decision, set out the location of the houses on each lot. They also reflect the appropriate design of the structures whose facades are mirror images of each other.

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ORDER

- [22] The Board orders that the appeal is allowed and that:
 - 1. provisional consent is to be given; and
 - 2. the variances to permit:
 - i. A lot area of 330 sq. m. where the by-law requirement is 550 sq. m.;
 - ii. Lot frontage of 9.84 m. where the by-law requirement is 15 m.; and
 - iii. An interior side yard setback between the proposed two new houses of 1.24 m. where the by-law requirement for a side yard setback for two-storey houses is 1.81 m.

are authorized subject to the condition that the proposed two houses are built substantially in accordance with the site plan and elevations found at Attachment 1 this decision.

"Susan de Avellar Schiller"

SUSAN de AVELLAR SCHILLER VICE CHAIR

Attachment 1





