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Site Plan

265 Dunwoody Drve Oakville, Ontario



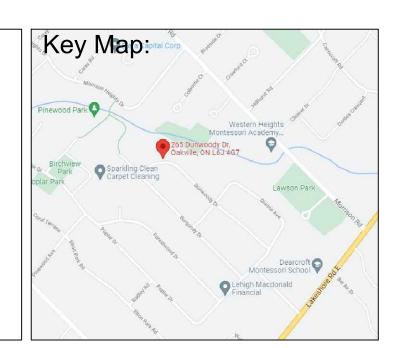
Square Footage: 3289.84 ft² 305.64 m² 3852.65 ft² 357.92 m² 1973.76 ft² 183.37 m² Finished Basement Main Second $70.26 \, \text{m}^2$ 756.30 ft² Garage Covered Porch 252.86 ft² $23.49 \, \text{m}^2$ **Covered Patio** 370.40 ft $34.41\,\text{m}^2$

Architectural Design Firm: SMPL Design Studio

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Project Description:

- New Dwelling

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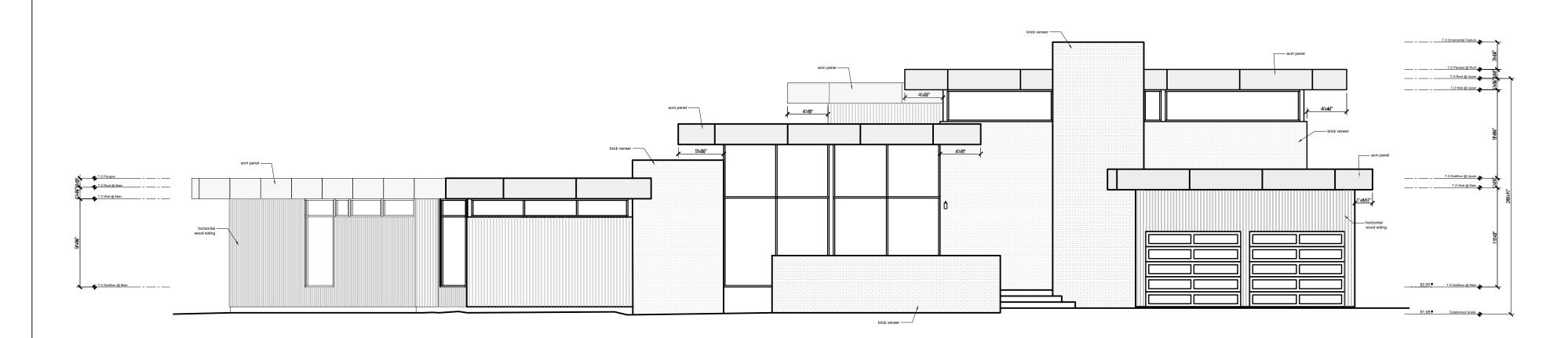
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Elevations

Front Elevation
Scale 1:100

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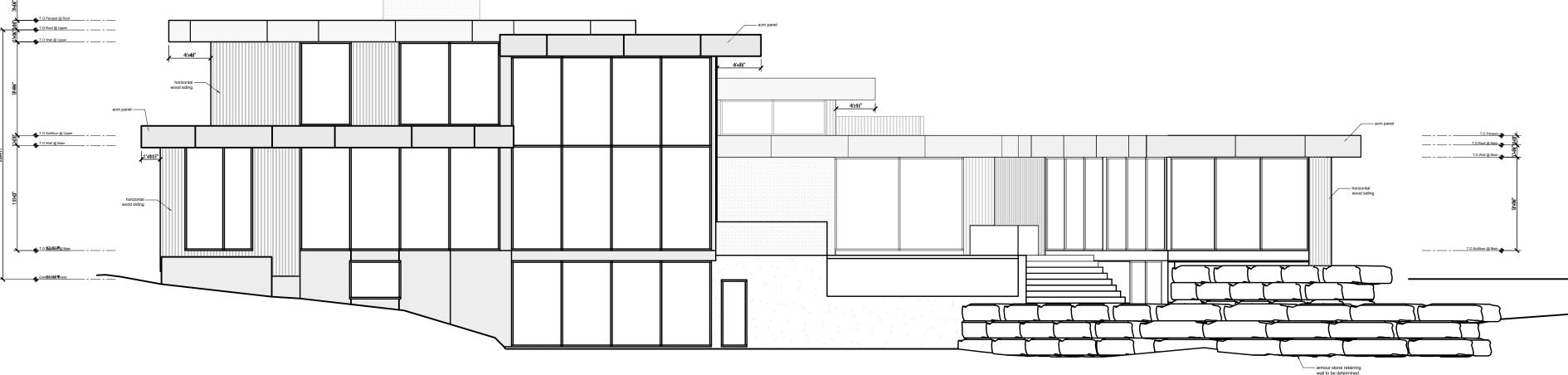


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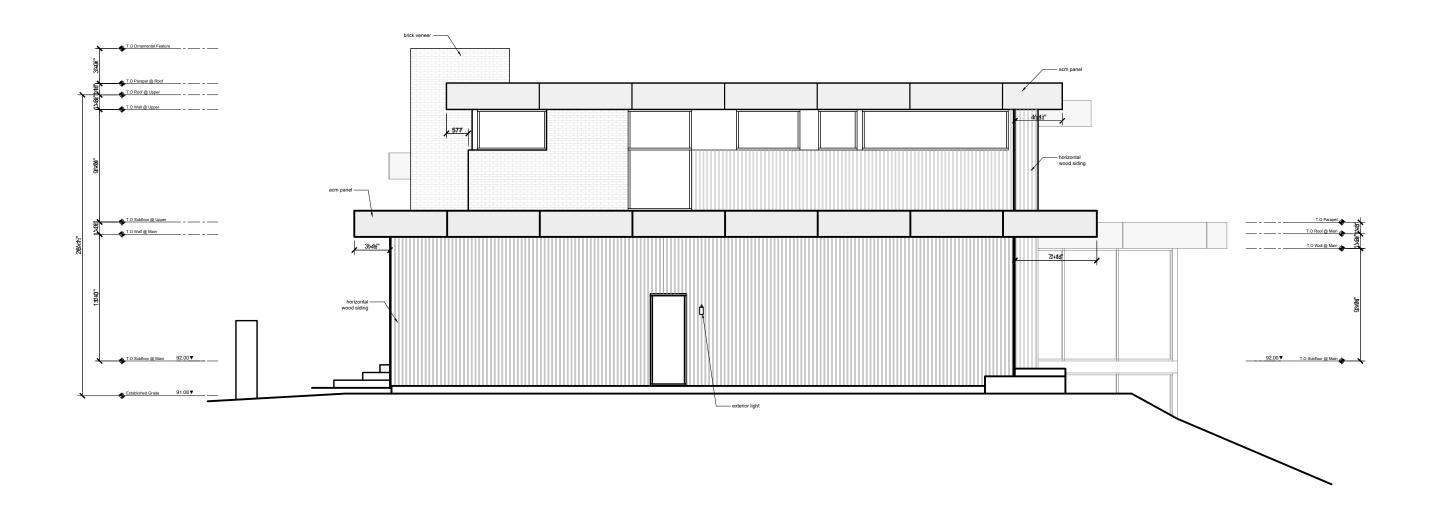
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Rear Elevation
Scale 1:100

Elevations



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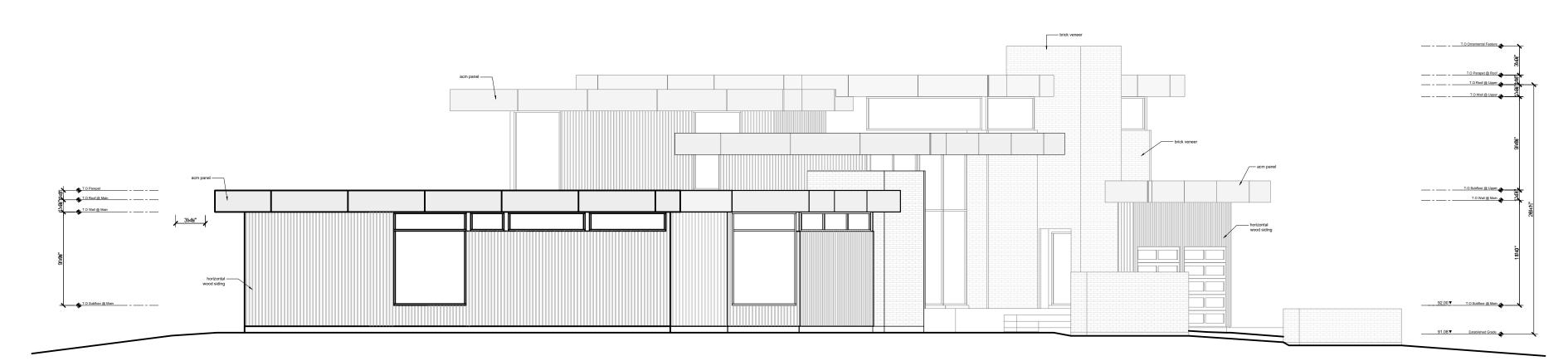
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Elevations

Right Elevation

Scale 1:100





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Elevations

Left Elevation
Scale 1:100



April 7, 2022

Town of Oakville **Building Services Department** 1225 Trafalgar Road Oakville, ON L6H 0H3 coarequests@oakville.ca

RE: Minor Variance Application – 265 Dunwoody Drive, Oakville ON L6J 4G7

SMPL Design Studio is the authorized architectural consultant for the property owners of 265 Dunwoody Drive in the Town of Oakville, and we are pleased to submit this application for a Minor Variance on their behalf.

The subject lands are designated *Urban Area* on Map I, Regional Structure in the Region of Halton's Official Plan. Within the Town of Oakville's Official Plan they are furthermore designated *Residential Areas* on Schedule AI Urban Structure, and *Low Density Residential* and *Special Policy Area*, with the north east portion of the lands falling within the *Natural Area* designation on Schedule G, South East Land Use. Additionally, the lands reside in the Residential Low (RLI-0) Zone and a portion of the property to the rear is in the Natural Area (N) Zone in Oakville's Zoning By-law No. 2014-014. The lands front onto Dunwoody Drive and are surrounded by existing low density residential uses, with Morrison Creek meandering through the north east corner of the property. A portion of the rear yard is regulated by Conservation Halton, and a permit application was made on January 19, 2022. We are currently awaiting the necessary approvals from this conservation authority.

This Minor Variance application is intended to achieve relief from the Town of Oakville's Zoning By-law No. 2014-014 with respect to the Residential (RLI-0) Zone to permit the development of the lands for the proposed construction of a new 2-storey single detached dwelling with attached garage along with rear covered patio, pool and associated landscaping, to replace the existing I-storey single detached residential dwelling and detached shed.

The following minor variances are requested:

- To permit a minimum front yard setback of 8.67m, whereas ex. Im is required (13.54m);
- To permit a maximum garage area of 70.26m2, whereas 56m2 is permitted; and, To permit a maximum garage projection of 2.74m, whereas 1.5m is permitted.

Is the proposed minor variance in keeping with the general purpose and intent of the Official Plan?

The lands are designated Residential Areas on Schedule AI, Urban Structure, as well as Low Density Residential and Special Policy Area on Schedule G, South East Land Use in the Town of Oakville's Official Plan. In addition, a portion of the property to the north east is furthermore designated Natural Area on this schedule.

As outlined in Section 11, Residential Areas represent the areas that provide for stable residential communities. It is furthermore stated that housing initiatives to facilitate revitalization and innovation are to be promoted. Section 11.2 speaks to permitted uses within the Low Density Residential designation.

The Town of Oakville's *Natural Area* designation policies are in place to ensure the long-term preservation of natural features and functions. Policy objectives in Section 16 encourage protecting Oakville's rivers and streams, forests and natural areas for resident enjoyment. As outlined in Section 16.1.9 c) development or site alteration is permitted in the vicinity of minor valleys and tributaries with the establishment of a minimum buffer of 7.5m from stable top-of-bank.

The proposed new 2-storey single detached dwelling represents a permitted use and features an innovative architectural design showcasing the views to the naturalized area to the rear of the property for resident enjoyment. The proposed dwelling is located towards the front of the property thereby ensuring the preservation of the designated natural area to the rear, and meeting associated policy objectives.

The intent of these policies is to encourage and accommodate compatible forms of development while protecting existing natural areas. The subject application exemplifies these policies and the requested variances will facilitate the Site Plan, which represents a permitted use. The proposed new residential build is in keeping with the existing and planned land uses in the surrounding area while affording the protection of a designated natural area. Therefore, the requested variances meet the general purpose and intent of the Official Plan.

Is the proposed minor variance in keeping with the general purpose and intent of the Zoning By-law?

The subject lands are located in the Residential Low (RLI-0) Zone and a portion of the rear yard is located in the Natural Area (N) Zone in the Town of Oakville's Zoning By-law No. 2014-014.

The front yard setback zoning provision is intended to ensure continuity in the streetscape of a neighbourhood. There are eleven residential dwellings fronting Dunwoody Drive and the subject lands currently have the largest front yard setback in comparison. Removing the subject lands, the average frontage of the remaining 10 homes is approximately 10m. The required front yard setback is existing minus Im, so theoretically the existing average front yard setback is approximately 9m. Furthermore, this relief is requested due to the limited space on which to build due to the extensive naturalized area and creek in the rear of the property, along with the desire to preserve the existing vegetation on this lot. The requested front yard setback is 8.67m which represents only a modest reduction from this requirement and will facilitate the Site Plan.

The zoning provision limiting the maximum garage size is in place to regulate lot coverage and massing. The subject lands comprise by far the largest lot fronting Dunwoody Avenue at almost 0.4ha. This irregular shaped lot is situated on the outside curve of this municipal right-of-way and is well over double the size of most of the neighbouring lots. The allowable lot coverage is 25% and as a result of the large lot the proposal will only yield total lot coverage of 14.24%. The proposal also features a substantial residential dwelling thereby eliminating the risk of the garage being seen as overwhelming the principal dwelling. The requested relief to the maximum permitted garage size is minimal and will result in a desirable built form.

The zoning provision regarding the maximum garage projection is to regulate the extent of the garage beyond the front wall to control the built form such that the attached garage is not seen as competing with the dwelling. As can be seen in the building elevations and renderings, the appearance of this projection is vastly minimized by the proposed attached covered front porch and steps, which project beyond the garage, thereby mitigating this concern.

The proposal conforms to all other zoning provisions and therefore the overall intent of the Zoning by-law is maintained.

Is the proposed minor variance minor in nature?

The proposed variances are minor in nature and necessary to facilitate the Site Plan. The intent of this application is to request relief from provisions regarding the built form and setbacks, and will allow a permitted use. Given that all other regulations of the By-law remain, the request is consistent with the Zoning By-law and is considered to be minor in nature.

Are the proposed minor variances desirable for the appropriate development or use of the land, building or structure?

The requested variances will facilitate the Site Plan, which will result in a form of development that is in keeping with the character of the surrounding area. The proposal respects and preserves the existing natural area on the property, and represents a use of land that is permitted in the Town of Oakville's Official Plan and Zoning By-law No. 2014-014. Therefore, the application is desirable and appropriate for the development of the lands.

As such, the proposed variances satisfy the four tests as outlined in Section 45(1) of the *Planning Act* as the relief requested in minor in nature, is desirable for the appropriate development of the land, and meets the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law.

In support of our Minor Variance application, the following material is provided for review:

- Minor Variance Application Form, prepared by SMPL Design Studio, March 8, 2022;
- Site Plan & Architectural Plans, prepared by SMPL Design Studio, dated April 7, 2022; and,
- Survey Plan, prepared by J.H. Gelbloom Surveying, dated May 24, 2016.

We look forward to working with Town Staff in the review of this application. Should you have any questions or require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Lindsey Bruce

Director of Operations

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