

# COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

## MINOR VARIANCE REPORT

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: *Section 45 of the Planning Act, 1990*

APPLICATION: **CAV A/106/2022**

RELATED FILE: N/A

DATE OF MEETING: BY VIDEOCONFERENCE AND LIVE-STREAMING VIDEO ON THE TOWN'S WEBPAGE AT OAKVILLE.CA ON TUESDAY, JULY 05TH, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.

<u>Owner (s)</u>	<u>Agent</u>	<u>Location of Land</u>
2656557 ONTARIO INC 3181 HINES DR OAKVILLE ON, L6M 4M1	KURTIS CAN KEULEN HUIS DESIGN STUDIO INC. 1A CONESTOGA DR BRAMPTON ON, L6Z 4N5	462 SOUTHLAND CRES PLAN 1060 LOT 118

OFFICIAL PLAN DESIGNATION: LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL  
WARD: 1

ZONING: RL3-0  
DISTRICT: WEST

### **APPLICATION:**

Under Section 45(1) of the *Planning Act*, the applicant is requesting the Committee of Adjustment to authorize a minor variance to permit the construction of a two-storey detached dwelling on the subject property proposing the following variance(s):

No.	Zoning By-law Regulation	Variance Request
1	<b>Section 6.4.1</b> The maximum <i>residential floor area ratio</i> for a <i>detached dwelling</i> on a <i>lot</i> with a <i>lot area</i> between 650.00 m <sup>2</sup> and 742.99 m <sup>2</sup> shall be 41% (280.51 m <sup>2</sup> ); (Lot area is 684.17 m <sup>2</sup> ).	To permit the maximum <i>residential floor area ratio</i> for the <i>detached dwelling</i> to be 44.04% (301.28 m <sup>2</sup> ).

### **CIRCULATED DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES COMMENTS RECEIVED**

#### **Planning Services:**

**(Note:** Planning Services includes a consolidated comment from the relevant district teams including, Current, Long Range and Heritage Planning, Urban Design and Development Engineering)

**CAV A/106/2022 - 462 Southland Cres (West District)** (OP Designation: Low Density Residential)

The applicant is proposing to construct a two-storey detached dwelling subject to the variance above.

The neighbourhood is characterized by one and a half and some two-storey dwellings original to the area and some two-storey new construction.

The subject lands are designated Low Density Residential in the Official Plan. Development within stable residential communities shall be evaluated against the criteria in Section 11.1.9 to ensure new development will maintain and protect the existing neighbourhood character. The proposal was evaluated against the criteria established under Section 11.1.9, and the following criteria apply:

Policies 11.1.9 a), b), and h) state:

*“a) The built form of development, including scale, height, massing, architectural character and materials, is to be compatible with the surrounding neighbourhood.*

*b) Development should be compatible with the setbacks, orientation and separation distances within the surrounding neighbourhood.*

*h) Impacts on the adjacent properties shall be minimized in relation to grading, drainage, location of service areas, access and circulation, privacy, and microclimatic conditions such as shadowing.”*

#### **Variance #1 – Residential Floor Area Ratio (Supported)**

The applicant is requesting relief from Zoning By-law 2014-014, as amended, to permit an increase in residential floor area ratio from 41% (280.51 square metres) to 44.04% (301.28 square metres) for an increase of 20.77 square metres. The intent of regulating the residential floor area is to prevent a dwelling from having a mass and scale that appears larger than the dwellings in the surrounding neighbourhood. The proposed dwelling has been designed to reduce the mass and scale by lowering the roofline, incorporating the second storey into the roof and incorporating one and a half and one-storey elements. Staff are of the opinion that the requested increase in floor area is minor in nature, meets the intent of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law, and is appropriate for the development of the site as it will not negatively impact adjacent properties or the surrounding area.

As the applicant is requesting to increase the residential floor area ratio beyond zoning requirements, and increase coverage from the existing conditions, the Town will comment on stormwater management controls for the 25mm storm as per the Town of Oakville Stormwater Master Plan through the Development Engineering Site Plan (DESP) process.

On this basis, it is staff's opinion that the requested variances maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law as they result in a dwelling that is in keeping with the character of the neighbourhood. Further, the variances are minor in nature and appropriate for the development of the site as there are no negative impacts to abutting properties or the streetscape.

#### **Conclusion:**

In summary, based on the application as submitted, Staff are of the opinion that the application satisfies the applicable tests under the *Planning Act*. Should the Committee concur with staff's opinion, the following conditions are requested:

1. That the dwelling be built in general accordance with the submitted site plan and elevation drawings dated May 6, 2022; and
2. That the approval expires two (2) years from the date of the decision if a building permit has not been issued for the proposed construction.

The planning basis for the conditions are as follows, in keeping with the numbering of the conditions above:

1. Building in general accordance with the submitted site plan and elevation drawings is required to ensure what is requested and ultimately approved, is built on site. This provides assurance and transparency through the process, noting the documents that are submitted with the application, provide the actual planning, neighbourhood and site

basis for the request for the variances, and then the plans to be reviewed through the building permit and construction processes.

A two (2) year timeframe allows the owner to obtain building permit approval for what is ultimately approved within a reasonable timeframe of the application being heard by the Committee of Adjustment based on the requirements when it is processed, but cognizant of the ever-changing neighbourhoods, policies and regulations which might then dictate a different result. Furthermore, if a building permit is not obtained within this timeframe, a new application would be required and subject to the neighbourhood notice circulation, public comments, applicable policies and regulations at that time.

**Fire:** SFD No concerns with FD access.

**Transit :** Comments not received.

**Halton Region: 3 CAV A/106/2022 – 2656557 Ontario Inc, 462 Southland Crescent**

- Regional staff has no objection to the proposed minor variance application seeking relief under Section 45(1) of the Planning Act in order to permit an increase in total floor area for the private garage, under the requirements of the Town of Oakville Zoning By-law, for the purpose of constructing a two-storey detached dwelling on the subject property.

**Bell Canada:** Comments not received.

**Union Gas:** Comments not received.

**Letter(s) in support – 3.**

**Letter(s) in opposition – None.**

**General notes for all applications:**

**Note:** *The following standard comments apply to all applications. Any additional application specific comments are as shown below.*

- The applicant is advised that permits may be required should any proposed work be carried out on the property i.e. site alteration permit, pool enclosure permit, tree preservation, etc.
- The applicant is advised that permits may be required from other departments / authorities (e.g. Engineering and Construction, Building Services, Conservation Halton, etc.) should any proposed work be carried out on the property.
- The applicant is advised that any current or future proposed works that may affect existing trees (private or municipal) will require an arborist report.
- The applicant is advised that any current or future proposed works will require the removal of all encroachments from the public road allowance to the satisfaction of the Engineering and Construction Department.
- The applicant is advised that the comments provided pertain only to zoning and are not to be construed as a review or approval of any proposal for the site. This review will be carried out through the appropriate approval process at which time the feasibility/scope of the works will be assessed.

Requested conditions from circulated agencies:

1. That the dwelling be built in general accordance with the submitted site plan and elevation drawings dated May 6, 2022; and

2. That the approval expires two (2) years from the date of the decision if a building permit has not been issued for the proposed construction.



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Jasmina Radomirovic  
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer  
Committee of Adjustment

**3 Letters of Supports:**

Date: May. 12. 22.

**Subject: Proposed design of 462 Southland Crescent Oakville**  
**L6L 3N6**

"We / I Michael Douglas of 424 Southland Cres  
have reviewed the proposed plans and have no objections to  
the development".

Signature(s)



Date: May . 12 . 22 .

**Subject: Proposed design of 462 Southland Crescent Oakville**  
**L6L 3N6**

"We / I ALANNA STEPHEN of 439 SOUTHLAND CRES  
have reviewed the proposed plans and have no objections to  
the development".

  
Signature(s)

Date:

**Subject: Proposed design of 462 Southland Crescent Oakville**  
**L6L 3N6**

"We / I Steve Maron of 468 Southland cres  
have reviewed the proposed plans and have no objections to  
the development".

Signature(s) 