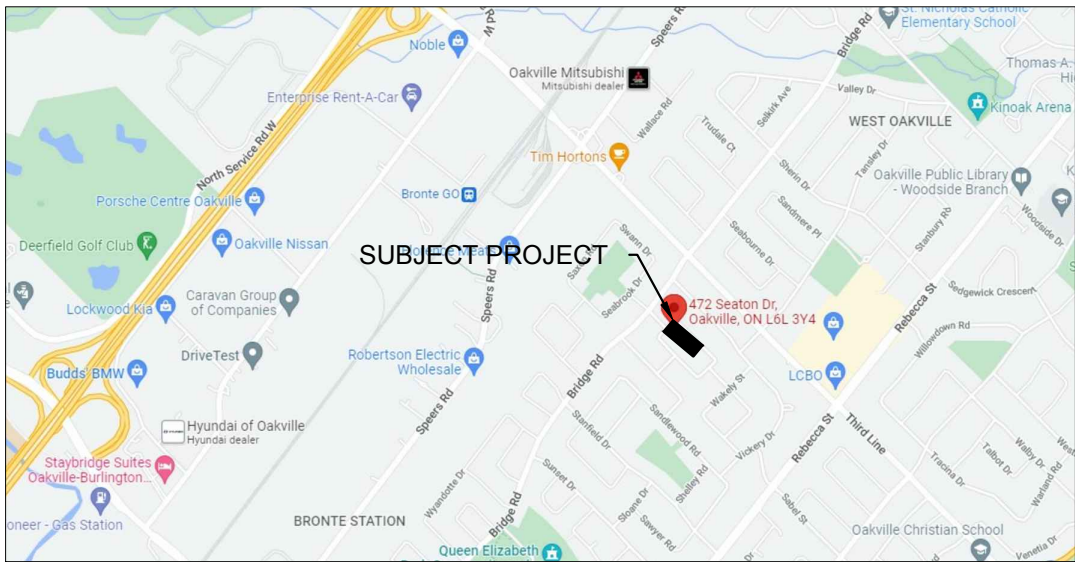




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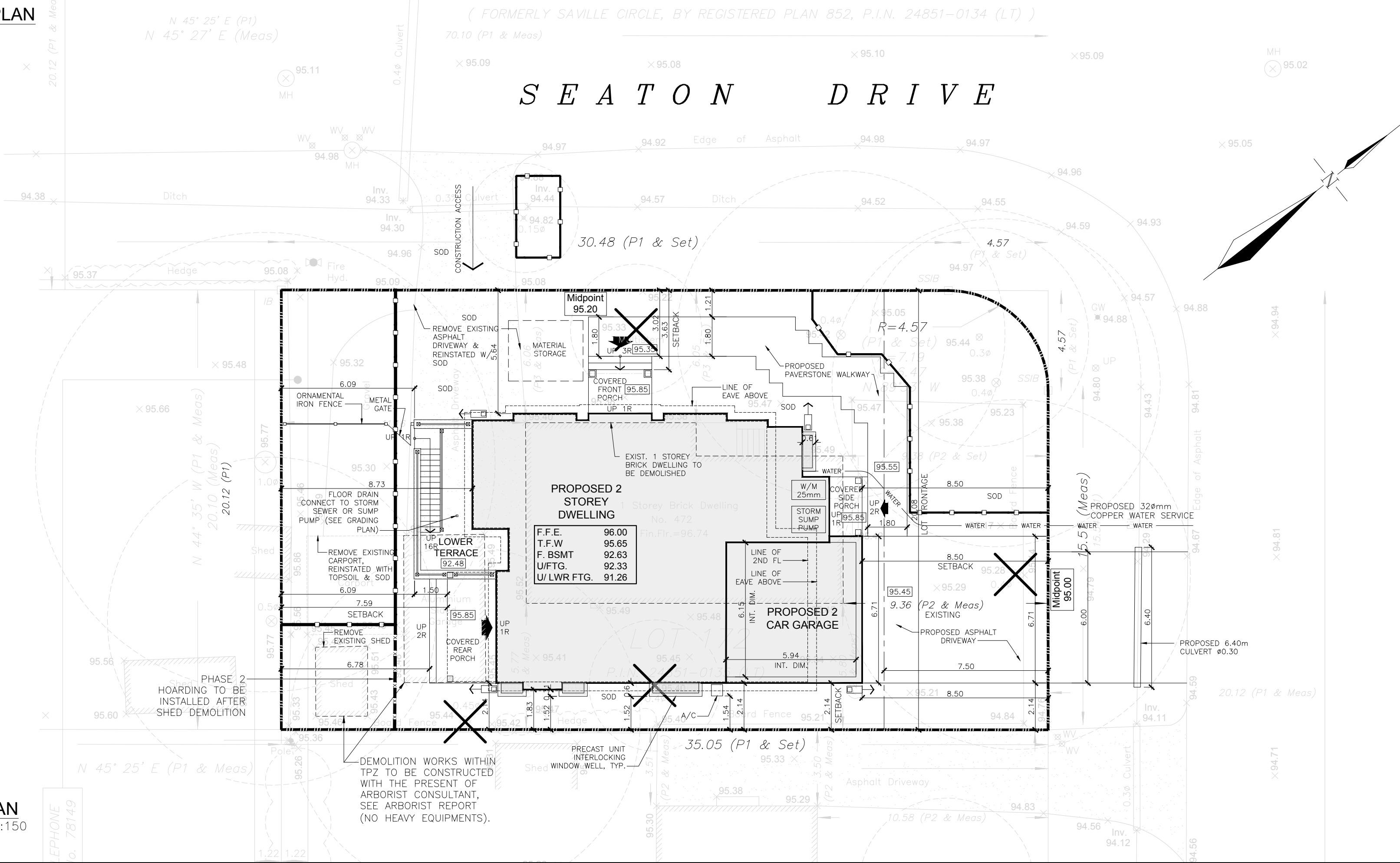
472 SEATON DR., OAKVILLE			
	ALLOWED AS PER BYLAW 2014-014	PROPOSED	STATUS
ZONE	RL3-0	SAME	IN COMPLIANCE
PERMITTED BLDGS+STRUCTURES	DETACHED DWELLING UNIT	NO CHANGE	IN COMPLIANCE
MIN. LOT FRONTAGE	18.0m	20.08m	IN COMPLIANCE
MIN. LOT AREA	557.5m <sup>2</sup>	699.68m <sup>2</sup> (7,531.28ft <sup>2</sup> )	IN COMPLIANCE
MIN. FRONT YARD	7.5m OR THE EXISTING FRONT YARD (9.36m) LESS 1.0m = 8.36m	8.50m	IN COMPLIANCE
MIN. FLANKAGE YARD	3.5m	3.63m	IN COMPLIANCE
MIN. INTERIOR SIDE YARD	1.2m & 1.2m WITH ATTACHED GARAGE (MIN. PARKING SPACE 5.6m WIDTH X 5.7m LENGTH)	2.14m	IN COMPLIANCE
MIN. REAR YARD	7.5m	8.73m	IN COMPLIANCE
MAX. NO. OF STOREYS	2 STOREYS	2 STOREYS	IN COMPLIANCE
MAX. HEIGHT	9.0 m	8.98 m	IN COMPLIANCE
MAX. LOT COVERAGE	35.0% 244.88m <sup>2</sup> (2,635.94ft <sup>2</sup> )	31.12% DWELLING GF 156.41 m <sup>2</sup> (1,683.56 ft <sup>2</sup> ) GARAGE 40.37 m <sup>2</sup> (434.57 ft <sup>2</sup> ) FRONT PORCH 5.81 m <sup>2</sup> (62.54 ft <sup>2</sup> ) FRONT PORCH 4.07 m <sup>2</sup> (43.84 ft <sup>2</sup> ) REAR PORCH 11.14 m <sup>2</sup> (119.94 ft <sup>2</sup> ) TOTAL 217.80 m <sup>2</sup> (2,344.45 ft <sup>2</sup> )	IN COMPLIANCE
MAX. FLOOR AREA / LOT RATIO %	41% (286.86m <sup>2</sup> ) (3,087.82ft <sup>2</sup> )	RATIO = 43.13 % GF 156.41m <sup>2</sup> (1,683.56ft <sup>2</sup> ) 2ND 166.08m <sup>2</sup> (1,787.66ft <sup>2</sup> ) OTB STAIRCASE -8.13m <sup>2</sup> (87.50ft <sup>2</sup> ) OTB FOYER -7.24m <sup>2</sup> (77.95ft <sup>2</sup> ) TOTAL 306.45m <sup>2</sup> (3,305.77ft <sup>2</sup> )	REQUIRED MINOR VARIANCE
BASEMENT AREA	N/A	175.27m <sup>2</sup>	IN COMPLIANCE
MIN. DRIVEWAY WIDTH	3m	6.00m	IN COMPLIANCE
MAX. DRIVEWAY WIDTH	LOT FRONTAGE MORE THAN 18m= 9.00m	6.71m	IN COMPLIANCE
MAX. PARKING SPACES AREA	45m <sup>2</sup>	36.50m <sup>2</sup>	IN COMPLIANCE

LEGEND	
	SOLID HOARDING WITH SEDIMENT CONTROL BARRIER
	SOLID HOARDING
	FRAMED HOARDING
	BUILDING ACCESS/EGRESS POINTS
	LOWER LEVEL ACCESS/EGRESS POINT
	PROPERTY LINE
	EXISTING HEALTHY TREE TO BE REMOVED
	EXISTING DEAD/ POOR TREE TO BE REMOVED
	SURVEY MONUMENT SET
	SURVEY MONUMENT FOUND
	IRON BAR
	IRON PIPE
	P.I.N.
	OVERHEAD WIRES
	WOOD UTILITY POLE
	CATCH BASIN
	DECIDUOUS TREE
	DOOR SILL ELEVATION
	INVERT
	MANHOLE
	TOP OF ROOF ELEVATION
	WATER VALVE
	DIAMETER
	SUMP PUMP
	WATER METER
	DOWNSPOUT
	80.04 EXISTING ELEVATION
	TREE NUMBER & TREE PROTECTION ZONE RADIUS AS NOTED IN THE ARBORIST REPORT
	PROPOSED PLANTING KEY AND QUANTITY

SURVEY INFORMATION TAKEN FROM:

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TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY OF LOT 172  
REGISTERED PLAN 852  
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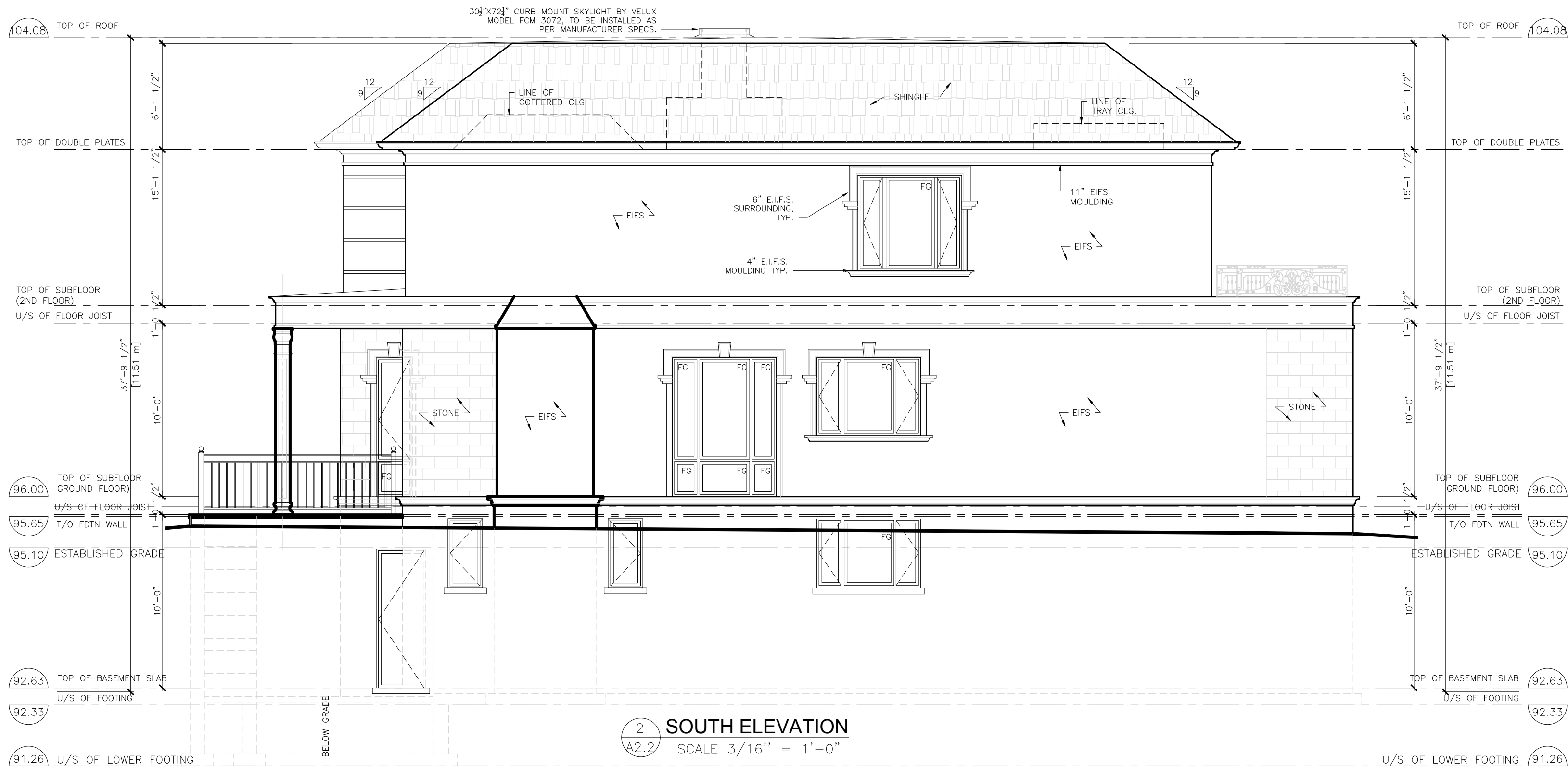
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June 2022

**Attn: Catherine Buckerfield, MCIP, RPP  
Planner, Oakville Planning Services**

**Re: Planning Brief – 472 Seaton Drive, Oakville**

The following Planning Brief provides a summary of the proposed development and justification of the required minor variance to support the proposed single detached dwelling on the subject property.

The proposed development of a new detached dwelling will require submission of a minor variance application to the Town of Oakville. As such, the purpose of this report is to provide the planning justification for the proposed variance that would allow for the development of the subject lands.

### **Subject Lands and Proposed Use**

The subject property at 472 Seaton Drive in Oakville is currently occupied by a single detached dwelling which is to be demolished, and the landowner seeks to improve the site with the construction of a new single detached dwelling. The adjacent uses surrounding the subject site are residential detached dwellings, with a number of recent re-constructed dwellings or renovated dwellings with a variety of architectural styles.



**Figure 1 – Aerial Photograph**



Located in West Oakville, south of Bridge Road and to the west of Third Line, the property is within a low-density neighbourhood in the Town of Oakville. The subject property is situated on the west side of Seaton Drive and is a corner lot. The subject site is approximately 699 square metres in lot area.



Figure 2 – Axonometric Photograph

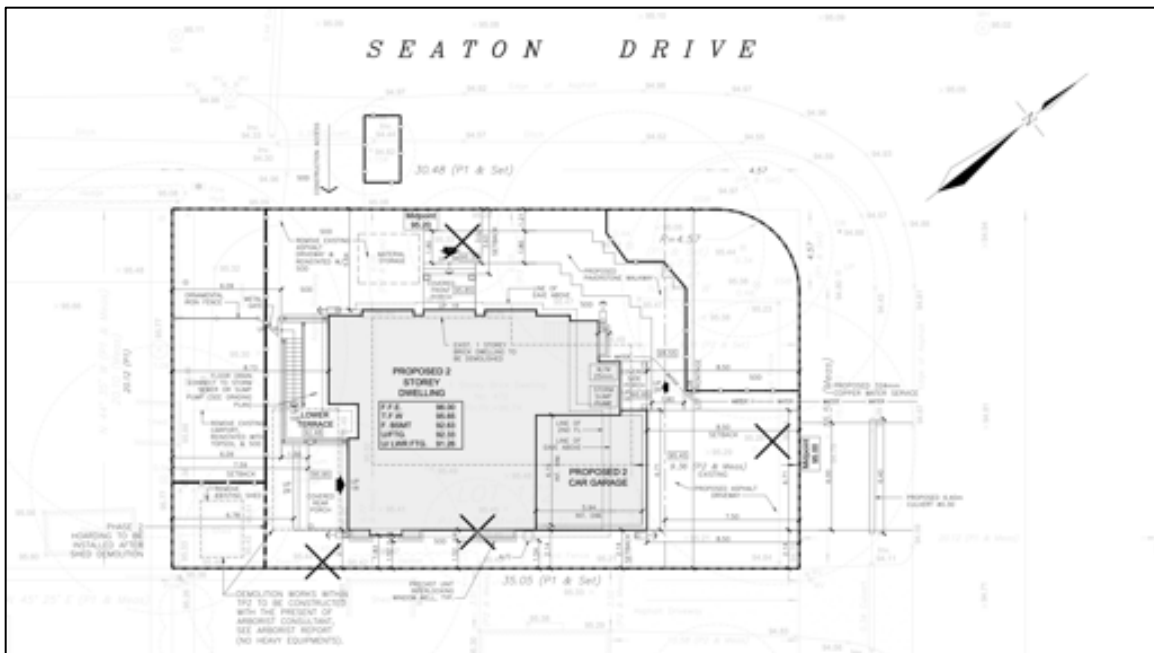


Figure 3 – Site Plan

The applications pursue the approval of minor variances that would facilitate the construction of one new single detached residential two-storey dwelling. The proposed dwelling will include one private attached garage area with a lot coverage of 31.12%. The dwelling proposes a building area of 217.8 square metres. The proposed dwelling will be located towards the middle of the site, allowing ample setbacks from the adjacent properties.



Figure 4 – Front Elevation



Figure 5 – Flankage Elevation

### **Proposed Variance**

The subject lands are zoned RL3-0 within the Town of Oakville's Zoning By-law 2014-014, as amended. To permit the proposed development, a variance to the proposed floor area ratio is required.

By-law Provision	Requirement	Requested Variance
Floor Area Ratio (FAR)	41% Maximum (286.86 sq.m.)	43.13% Maximum (306.48 sq.m.)

### **Evaluation of the Proposed Minor Variances**

The application to the Town of Oakville Committee of Adjustment seeks approval of a minor variance to permit the construction a new dwelling. As such, the application is evaluated by examining the four tests of minor variance, as set out in the Planning Act:

- 1) Is the application minor in nature?
- 2) Is it an appropriate and desirable development for the area?
- 3) Is it in keeping with the purpose and intent of the Zoning By-law?
- 4) Is it in keeping with the purpose and intent of the Official Plan?

#### **Minor in Nature**

To adequately evaluate whether a proposed By-law variance is minor, the resulting impact, if any, must be determined and considered. While a variance may represent a considerable mathematical deviation from the By-law, it may still be considered minor if the resulting impacts of the variance do not result in significant adverse impacts on the surroundings. These surroundings include neighboring properties as well as the general 'streetscape' of the public realm.

The massing of the proposed dwelling is not out of character within the context of the immediate neighbourhood. The FAR is the only variance that is being sought, and it is important note that all the provisions of the zoning by-law that control the potential massing impacts of the dwelling are being maintained including height, building setbacks, coverage, and dwelling depth. The dwelling is sited appropriately relative to the adjacent dwellings, and does not exceed the setbacks or the depths of dwellings relative to the adjacent homes. The proposed floor area is all located internal to the permitted setbacks and built form contemplated within the existing zoning.

### **Appropriate and Desirable Development For The Area**

The proposed detached dwelling on the subject property features architectural quality that is demonstrated through the design details. As noted, the proposed variance will allow for a dwelling that is appropriate in its design that is typical of the homes within this neighbourhood and also an appropriate development for the character of the area.

The variance is desirable to permit the construction of a dwelling with a height, area and depth that is typical of the character of dwellings in the neighbourhood. The siting of the proposed dwelling is appropriately aligned with the neighbouring dwellings, and utilizes a similar front yard setback in comparison to the existing dwelling. The design and size of the garage is also desirable and typical in character to homes within the immediate neighbourhood, and the driveway access utilizes the existing vehicular access, while one existing driveway is proposed to be removed to improved landscaping opportunities.

As noted, the proposed variance to the Floor Area Ratio only impacts the proposed internal design of the dwelling, and the footprint and massing of the dwelling is permitted as-of-right on the subject property. The character of homes that define this area suggest that the impacts of the proposed dwelling are negligible. As such, the proposed detached dwelling supports the character of the neighbourhood and is appropriate and desirable for the area.

### **Intent of the Zoning By-Law**

The subject lands are zoned RL3-0 within the Town of Oakville Zoning By-law 2014-014, as amended.

The floor area ratio (FAR) regulation is intended to assist in regulating the scale and massing of the building. The proposed increase in FAR is not considered to contribute negatively to the scale and massing for the proposed dwelling. It is noted that the proposed dwelling is keeping with the required lot coverage and height, as well as all building setbacks and dwelling depth requirements of the By-law and respective neighbourhood.

Further, the proposed dwelling provides for high-quality design and architecture. As such, the proposed increase to the FAR is not considered to result in a building that dominates or is out of character with the streetscape.





Figure 6 – Zoning By-law

### Intent of The Official Plan

Within the Livable Oakville Official Plan, the subject site is designated as Low Density Residential (*Section 11.2.1*), which permits the proposed use of a detached dwelling. Allowing for a high-quality architectural home maintains the integrity of the neighbourhood. In addition, the following policies are relevant to the subject property:

Section 11.1.9: Development within all stable residential communities shall be evaluated using the following criteria to maintain and protect the existing neighbourhood character:

- 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.*

Further to Section 11.1.9 of the Livable Oakville Official Plan, the *Design Guidelines for Stable Residential Communities* implement the urban design and residential policies of the Official Plan. The design guidelines would apply to the development on the subject site, and are an important tool in providing an assessment on the intent of the Official Plan.

Section 3.2 of the Town of Oakville Design Guidelines for Stable Residential Communities states:

*To achieve the policies of the Livable Oakville Plan, the design and placement of new dwellings, replacement dwellings and significant building additions within stable residential communities should preserve and maintain the character and the established patterns of nearby properties and those within the immediate surroundings.*

*The thoughtful design of dwellings is key for achieving visual continuity and compatibility throughout a neighbourhood. Commonly used architectural elements valued by the community are encouraged for consideration and incorporation into new development as key elements in establishing and maintaining the character of the area.*

*New development should not replicate the architecture of the adjacent dwellings or imitate historic styles; rather it should be designed to address the site and maintain the patterns found within the neighbourhood. New development, when contextually designed, may reflect any architectural style and still maintain compatibility with the character of the surrounding neighbourhood.*

Section 3.2.1 of the Town of Oakville Design Guidelines for Stable Residential Communities states:

*New development, which is larger in overall massing than adjacent dwellings, should be designed to reduce the building massing through the thoughtful composition of smaller elements and forms that visually reflect the scale and character of the dwellings in the surrounding area. This design approach may incorporate:*

- *projections and/or recesses of forms and/or wall planes on the façade(s)*
- *single-level building elements when located adjacent to lower height dwellings*
- *variation in roof forms*
- *subdividing the larger building into smaller elements through additive and/or repetitive massing techniques*
- *porches and balconies that can reduce the verticality of taller dwellings and bring focus to the main entrance*
- *architectural components that reflect human scale and do not appear monolithic*
- *horizontal detailing to de-emphasize the massing*
- *variation in building materials and colours.*

It is our opinion that the architecture and proportions of the building have been carefully considered to appropriately reflect the scale and ensure compatibility of the existing streetscape, and further the design is spritely considered in the context of the corner lot on Seaton Drive. The proposed dwelling incorporates a front portico element, glazing which interact with the street, a two-vehicle garage o=located on the smaller frontage, and various building elevation components to provide variety, which are commonly

used architectural elements found in the neighbourhood. High quality material and architectural details are further implemented which benefit the streetscape of the surrounding dwellings and neighbourhood.

As previously noted, the proposed dwelling maintains the required lot coverage and height, as well as all building setbacks and dwelling depth requirements of the By-law and respective neighbourhood.

The proposed dwelling does not seek to replicate the architecture of the adjacent dwellings and is designed to address the site and maintain the general patterns found within the neighbourhood. The proposed dwelling is contextually designed and reflects an architectural style which is compatibility with the character of the surrounding neighbourhood.

As such, the proposed development maintains the intent of the Official Plan.

### **Planning Conclusion**

This report evaluates the proposed minor variance in accordance with the tests in the Planning Act. The proposed variance has been reviewed in relation to the current requirements of the Zoning By-law and specifically examined with respect to the adverse impact, if any, that would be experienced in the nearby area as a consequence of the granting of the variance. It is our opinion that the property can accommodate the variance for an increase in floor area ratio without adverse impact on nearby properties and while fitting into the character of the area.

As such, the application is considered minor in nature, desirable for the use of the land and maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law. On this basis, the proposed development satisfies the four tests required for a minor variance application under the Planning Act and represents good planning.

Respectfully submitted by,



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Principal, Batory Management