COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

MINOR VARIANCE REPORT

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

APPLICATION: CAV A/147/2022 RELATED FILE: N/A

DATE OF MEETING:

BY VIDEOCONFERENCE AND LIVE-STREAMING VIDEO ON THE TOWN'S WEBPAGE AT OAKVILLE.CA ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M.

Owner/Applicant	Agent	Location of Land
Atta Ullah Aziz	IDM (2005) Consultants Inc	PLAN 576 LOT 8
412 Wildwood Drive	c/o Prem Tewari	412 Wildwood Drive
Oakville ON L6K 1T5	5325 Harvester Road	Town of Oakville
	Burlington ON L7L 5K4	

OFFICIAL PLAN DESIGNATION: Low Density Residential ZONING: RL3-0 WARD: 2

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 one storey addition proposing the following variance(s):

No.	Zoning By-law Regulation	Variance Request
1	Section 6.4.1 The maximum residential	To permit the maximum residential floor area
	floor area ratio for a detached dwelling on	ratio for the detached dwelling to be 42.8%
	a lot with a lot area between 650.00	(299.9 m ²).
	m ² and 742.99 m ² shall be 41% (287.37	
	m ²); (Lot area is 700.9 m ²).	

CIRCULATED DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES COMMENTS RECEIVED

Planning Services:

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

CAV A/147/2022 - 412 Wildwood Dr (West District) (OP Designation: Low Density Residential)

The applicant proposes to construct an additional entry to the rear of the dwelling.

The subject property is located at the corner of the intersection of Wildwood Drive and Southview Drive within an area characterized by one-storey dwellings original to the area and new two-storey construction with a sidewalk on Wildwood Drive.

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."

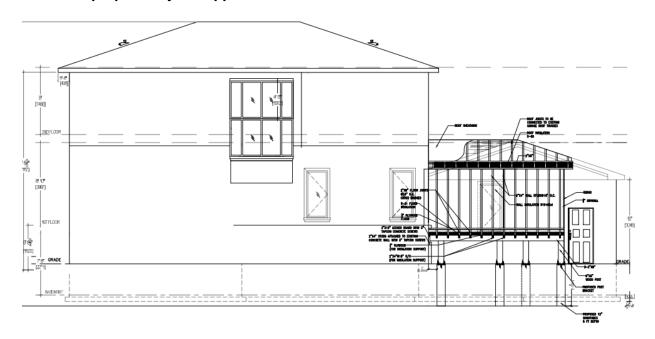
The intent of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law is to protect the unique character of this area within the Town. Due to the unique attributes of the large lots and related homes in the Special Policy Area, intensification shall be limited to the development which maintains the integrity of the large lots and does not negatively impact surrounding properties

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% (287.37 square metres) to 42.8% (299.99 square metres) for an increase of 12.53 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. In this instance, the increase in the residential floor area ratio is associated with a proposed addition behind the existing garage, which will not be visible from the public realm. The proposed addition is complementary, and the additional floor area ratio is compatible and in keeping with the pattern of new development in the area. Staff are of the opinion that the requested increase in residential 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.

The applicant is advised that 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.

Elevation prepared by the applicant:



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 addition be built in general accordance with the submitted site plan and elevation drawings dated March 23, 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:

- 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.
- 2. 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. Adequate Fire Access

<u>Oakville Hydro:</u> We do not have any objection or comments for this Minor Variance Application.

<u>Transit:</u> Oakville Transit staff would like to remind the applicant that Wildwood Drive is an existing transit corridor. Any existing bus stop locations will remain. New bus stop locations and amenities such as bus shelter can be installed at any time. Existing bus stops are located on Wildwood Drive between Weighton Drive and Morden Road, approximately 136m from the site.

Finance: None

Halton Region:

 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 the maximum residential floor area ratio, 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: No Comments received

Letter(s)/Emails in support: None

Letter(s)/Emails in opposition: None

<u>Note:</u> 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:

McGas

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Heather McCrae, ACST Secretary-Treasurer