

Committee of Adjustment

MISSION STATEMENT:

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To: Committee of Adjustment

Subject Application: Relief from the provisions of Zoning By-law 8600

Owner: CHERYL ANNE COKER

Applicant: CHERYL ANNE COKER

Location: 869 FORD BLVD

Legal Description: PLAN 709 LOTS 401 AND 402 PT LOT 400 PT ALLEY AND RP 12R27989
PARTS 19 25 AND 26

1. RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minor Variance application of Cheryl Anne Coker for the relief from the provisions of Zoning By-Law 8600 to create a new lot with reduced minimum lot widths on both the severed and retained lots as shown on the attached drawing for the property municipally known as 869 Ford Boulevard **BE GRANTED** with no conditions.

2. THE REQUESTED VARIANCES:

Proposed severance to create a new lot. Requesting relief for reduced minimum lot width on both the severed and retained lot, thereby seeking the following reliefs of Zoning By-law 8600:

	PROVISION	PROVISION DESCRIPTION	REQUIRED	PROPOSED
1	10.2.5.1	Minimum Lot Width - Retained Lot	12.0m	10.65m
2	10.2.5.1	Minimum Lot Width - Severed Lot	12.0m	10.65m

3. **PLANNING ANALYSIS:**

The subject property, legally described as Plan 709 Lots 401, 402 and Part Lot 400 and Part Alley and RP 12R27989 Parts 19, 25 and 26, also municipally known as 869 Ford Boulevard contains a single unit dwelling. The applicant proposes to sever the property to create two lots fronting Ford Boulevard. The existing single unit dwelling will remain on the retained lot, with a portion of the existing deck to be demolished. The applicant proposes a new single unit dwelling on the severed lot. To facilitate the severance, the applicant has submitted a concurrent consent application (B-030/26). The lots comply with minimum lot area, and the proposed single unit dwelling complies with all other Zoning By-law requirements. Both lots will have driveways and adequate parking from Ford Boulevard.

PLANNING ACT

Subsection 45(1) of the Planning Act states that the Committee of Adjustment “*may, despite any other Act, authorize minor variance from the provisions of the by-law, in respect of the land building or structure or the use thereof, as in its opinion is desirable for the appropriate development or use of the land, building or structure, if in the opinion of the committee the general intent and purpose of the by-law and of the official plan, if any, are maintained.*”

PROVINCIAL PLANNING STATEMENT (PPS) 2024

The Planning Staff has reviewed the relevant policies of the PPS - “Building Homes, Sustaining Strong and Competitive Communities” (Policy statement 2.2.1.b of the PPS). The requested minor variance is consistent with these policies permitting and facilitating all housing options required to meet the social, health, economic, and well-being requirements of current and future residents.

OFFICIAL PLAN (OP)

The Minor Variance Policies in Section 11.6.6 are hereto attached as **Appendix A**. Section 11.6.6.2 outlines the evaluation criteria for minor variance applications.

The subject land is designated Residential per the Official Plan. The proposed development is permitted and conforms to the associated objectives and policies. Therefore, the requested variances meet the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan per Section 11.6.6.2(a).

The proposed development is permitted and conforms to the zoning by-law provisions, except for the requested variances. Therefore, the general intent and purpose of the by-law being varied is maintained as per Section 11.6.6.2(b).

The proposal will have minimal impact on the properties in the immediate neighbourhood. Therefore, the variances are minor in nature as per Section 11.6.6.2(c).

The requested variances do not exceed a 20 per cent variation above the bylaw regulations which complies with Section 11.6.6.2(d).

The variances are desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building, or structure and would not hinder the reasonable development and/or use of properties in the neighbourhood, thus complying with Section 11.6.6.2(e).

ZONING BY-LAW

The subject land is zoned Residential District 2.1 (RD2.1) per Zoning By-law 8600. The proposed use is permitted and complies with the applicable provisions with the exception of the variances being requested. The requested variances will not result in undue hardship on the owner, adjoining properties, or the public realm; therefore, the variances are minor in nature. The proposed variances meet the intent of Zoning By-law 8600.

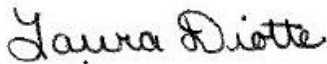
4. PLANNER'S OPINION:

The requested variances are minor in nature and maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law 8600. Therefore, the variances are consistent with section 45 (1) of the Planning Act. The Planning Division recommends approval of the applicant's request with no conditions.



Averil Parent
PlannerII- Development Review – Development Review

I concur with the above comments and opinion of the Planner II.



Laura Diotte MCIP, RPP
Manager of Development Applications

APPENDICES:

Appendix "A" - Excerpts from the Official Plan Volume I

Appendix "B" - Comments received by the Secretary Treasurer of the Committee of Adjustment

APPENDIX “A”
Excerpts From Official Plan Volume I

11.6.6 Minor Variance Policies

*COMMITTEE OF
ADJUSTMENT*

11.6.6.1 Council has appointed a Committee of Adjustment pursuant to the Planning Act to consider applications for minor variance from the Zoning By-law (s) and/or any other by-law that implements the Official Plan.

*EVALUATION
CRITERIA*

11.6.6.2 When reviewing an application for minor variance the Committee of Adjustment shall be satisfied that:

- (a) The general intent and purpose of the Official Plan, including the Strategic Directions, Goals and Objectives of the land use designation in which the property is located, is maintained;
- (b) The general intent and purpose of the By-law being varied is maintained;
- (c) The variance or the number of variances to the By-law are minor in nature, would not more appropriately be considered through an application to amend the Zoning By-law due to the cumulative impacts of the variances, preserves the pattern, scale and character of the blockface;
- (d) The variance(s) are generally not more than 20 percent above the By-law regulation being varied where the variances would increase the building envelope of a main building or accessory building containing a dwelling unit. For clarity this includes variances related to lot width; lot area; lot coverage; front, rear, and side yard depth; building height; and maximum gross floor area; and
- (e) The variance is desirable for the appropriate use of the land, building or structure and would not hinder the reasonable development and/or use of properties in the neighbourhood, would City of Windsor Official Plan1 Volume I 1 Tools 11 - 22 not cause a detriment, safety concerns, or would not detract from the character or amenity of nearby properties or the neighbourhood. The area of influence or the neighbourhood will vary with the scale of development and associated areas of potential impact.

*EXISTING
UNDERSIZED LOTS*

11.6.6.3 Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-section (d) above, the Committee may give further consideration to variances required to enable appropriate development for existing undersized lots, where existing non-complying structures are being altered or where infilling and intensification is occurring provided that the Committee is satisfied that the provisions of 11.6.6.2 subsections (c) and (e) have been fully addressed.

*TERMS &
CONDITIONS*

11.6.6.4 The Committee of Adjustment may attach such terms and conditions as it deems reasonable and appropriate to the approval of the application for a minor variance. The conditions shall relate directly to the impact of the variance and may include measures required to mitigate the impact of altering the zoning regulations on the resulting built form or property development, including but not limited to: a) Specifying architectural elements such as window location, outdoor amenity space, fencing or other screening and door location; b) Requiring additional landscaping including low impact design elements; c) Providing additional bicycle facilities in lieu of motor vehicle parking; and d) Improvement to grading and stormwater management.

AGREEMENTS

11.6.6.5 The Committee of Adjustment may require the owner of the land to enter into one or more agreements with the Municipality and address the impacts of the variance dealing with some or all of the terms and conditions of its decision. An agreement may be registered against the land to which it applies, and the Municipality is entitled to enforce the agreement against the owner and, subject to the Registry Act and the Land Titles Act, against any and all subsequent owners of the land.

APPENDIX “B”
Comments Received by the Secretary Treasurer of the Committee of Adjustment

Zoning Review

Requested variances from Zoning By-law 8600:

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Development, Projects & Right-of-Way

This department has no objection to the proposed application. Right of way permits must be obtained for any work within the right of way.

Sandy Mio – Technologist

Heritage Planner

There is no apparent built heritage concern with this property.

The subject property is located within the Archaeological Potential Zone (as per the Windsor Archaeological Management Plan, 2024; OPA 181; and updated 2024 archaeological potential model OP Volume I Schedule C-1). However, the subject property is not within an Archaeologically Sensitive Area (ASA). Thus, an archaeological assessment is not requested at this time. Nevertheless, the Applicant should be notified of the following archaeological precaution.

1. Should archaeological resources be found during grading, construction or soil removal activities, all work in the area must stop immediately and the City's Planning & Development Services Department, the City's Manager of Culture and Events, and the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism must be notified and confirm satisfaction of any archaeological requirements before work can recommence.
2. In the event that human remains are encountered during grading, construction or soil removal activities, all work in that area must be stopped immediately and the site secured. The local police or coroner must be contacted to determine whether or not the skeletal remains are human, and whether the remains constitute a part of a crime scene. The Local police or coroner will then notify the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism and the Registrar at the Ministry of Government and Consumer Services if needed, and notification and satisfactory confirmation be given by the Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism.

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Windsor Planning & Development Services Department:

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Windsor Manager of Culture and Events (A):

Michelle Staaedegaard, (O) 519-253-2300x2726, (C) 519-816-0711, mstaadegaard@citywindsor.ca

Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism

Archaeology Programs Unit, 1-416-212-8886, Archaeology@ontario.ca

Windsor Police: 911

Transportation Planner

All parking must comply with ZBL 8600.

Aashvi Sarvaiya – Transportation Planner

Windsor Police Service

The Windsor Police Service has no concerns or objections with any of the applications listed in this agenda. In reviewing them, all are relatively minor in terms of their potential impact to public safety, security, or public disorder. None of the applications to be considered are therefore anticipated to create outcomes that will negatively impact the ability of the Windsor Police Service to provide proper and adequate response to incidents, whether emergency or non-emergency in nature, and other service delivery requirements.

Barry Horrobin
Director of Planning & Physical Resources

Landscape Architect

1. There are City owned trees adjacent to the subject property. City Trees are protected from damages and removal under City by-law 135-2004 and 131-2019. The Applicant will be required to consult with Forestry on the protection of all City trees which may be impacted by the development.

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2. There are private trees on the property that may be impacted by the development. The applicant is strongly encouraged to attempt to preserve existing privately owned trees on the subject site. If trees within the subject site are to be removed for development, it is strongly encouraged to plant replacement native trees for their various environmental benefits at a like-for-like trunk caliper size ratio (cumulative d.b.h.).

Averil Parent – Planner II Development Review