COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOVEMBER 5, 2001

ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD HEARING VARIANCE APPLICATION FRANKIE & JOSEY AMELLO FILE: A151/01

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Planning recommends:

THAT Council provide direction with respect to the City's position on an appeal to the Committee of Adjustment's refusal of Variance Application A151/01 (Frankie and Josey Amello).

Purpose

To obtain direction from Council with respect to Staff's attendance at the Ontario Municipal Board hearing scheduled for November 27, 2001.

Background - Analysis and Options

The site is located on the east side of Kipling Avenue, north of Meeting House Road, being Lot 9, Registered Plan 8955 (8237 Kipling Avenue), in Lot 9, Concession 7, City of Vaughan. The lands are designated "Low Density Residential" by OPA No.240 (Woodbridge Community Plan) and zoned R1 Residential Zone by By-law 1-88, subject to Exception 9(665).

The original application was to reduce the rear setback from 7.5m to 1.2m, and to increase the maximum size of an accessory building from $67m^2$ to $78m^2$ to permit the construction of a onestorey accessory building (garage) in the rear yard. This application was amended prior to the Committee of Adjustment hearing to increase the rear set back to 3m and reduce the size of the building to $66.99m^2$. On July 26, 2001, the Committee of Adjustment refused the revised application.

The detached garage would be 9.75m (31.9ft) by 6.9m (22.6ft), with an area of 66.99m² (721sq.ft), to be used for vehicle storage. The building would have two garage doors and one-man door, and an be constructed with stucco finish and an asphalt shingled roof.

The abutting property owner to the east (58 Chavender Place) objected to the variance, citing the following concerns: noise, the grade difference between the lots, and the applicant's existing garage, which is at a greater distance and impacts negatively on him. The neighbour stated he would consider a 6.0m rear yard as minor, conditional on planting mature trees and a restriction on height.

The applicant appealed the decision to the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB), on the basis that the variance requested is minor and with appropriate landscaping, the impact on adjacent properties would be acceptable, and there would be no shadowing impacts.

Conclusion

In light of the revised application reducing the size and increasing the setback of the garage, the Community Planning Department sent revised comments to the Committee of Adjustment in support of the revised variance, subject to landscaping to screen the accessory building from the

adjacent property. This matter is scheduled to proceed to the OMB on November 27, 2001, and Council's direction is requested.

Attachments

- 1. Location Map
- 2. Site Plan
- 3. Elevations
- 4. Elevations

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