

<b>ITEM: 6.10</b>	<b>REPORT SUMMARY CONSENT APPLICATION FILE NUMBER B008/24</b>
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Report Date: September 6, 2024

**THIS REPORT CONTAINS COMMENTS FROM THE FOLLOWING  
DEPARTMENTS & AGENCIES (SEE SCHEDULE B):**

Additional comments from departments and agencies received after the publication of the report will be made available on the City's [website](#).

Internal Departments <small>*Comments Received</small>	Conditions Required		Nature of Comments
Building Standards (Zoning) *See Schedule B	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	General Comments w/Conditions
Committee of Adjustment	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	General Comments w/Conditions
Development Planning	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Recommend Approval/No Conditions
Development Engineering	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Recommend Approval w/Conditions
Development Finance	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	General Comments w/Conditions
Forestry	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	General Comments w/Conditions
Real Estate	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	General Comments w/Conditions
By-law & Compliance	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General Comments

External Agencies <small>*Comments Received</small>	Conditions Required		Nature of Comments <small>*See Schedule B for full comments</small>
Alectra	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General Comments
TRCA	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Recommend Approval w/Conditions

**PUBLIC & APPLICANT CORRESPONDENCE (SEE SCHEDULE C)**

All personal information collected because of this public meeting (including both written and oral submissions) is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), the Planning Act and all other relevant legislation, and will be used to assist in deciding on this matter. All personal information (as defined by MFIPPA), including (but not limited to) names, addresses, opinions and comments collected will become property of the City of Vaughan, will be made available for public disclosure (including being posted on the internet) and will be used to assist the Committee of Adjustment and staff to process this application.

Correspondence Type	Name	Address	Date Received <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Summary
Applicant			08/27/2024	Planning Justification Report
Public	Michelle Jorge		08/07/2024	Letter of Concern/Objection
Public	Not Provided	Not Provided	08/28/2024	Letter of Concern/Objection
Public	Franca Porretta on behalf of all opposing residents as per petitions	See Petition	09/03/2024	Letter of Concern/Objection with Petition

**BACKGROUND (SCHEDULE D, IF REQUIRED)**

\* Background Information contains historical development approvals considered to be related to this file.  
This information should not be considered comprehensive.

Application No. (City File)	Application Description <small>(i.e. Minor Variance Application; Approved by COA / OLT)</small>
N/A	N/A

**ADJOURNMENT HISTORY**

\* Previous hearing dates where this application was adjourned by the Committee and public notice issued.

Hearing Date	Reason for Adjournment <small>(to be obtained from NOD_ADJ)</small>
N/A	N/A

<b>SCHEDULES</b>	
<b>Schedule A</b>	Drawings & Plans Submitted with the Application
<b>Schedule B</b>	Comments from Agencies, Building Standards & Development Planning
<b>Schedule C</b> (if required)	Public & Applicant Correspondence
<b>Schedule D</b> (if required)	Background



# CONSENT APPLICATION FILE NUMBER B008/24

<b>CITY WARD #:</b>	2
<b>APPLICANT:</b>	Simran Kahlon & Eshmith Firdausi
<b>AGENT:</b>	Francesco Di Sarra
<b>PROPERTY:</b>	50 Pine Ridge Ave, Woodbridge
<b>ZONING DESIGNATION:</b>	The subject lands are zoned R3(EN) - Third Density Residential Zone (Established Neighbourhood) under Zoning By-law 001-2021, as amended.
<b>VAUGHAN OFFICIAL PLAN (2010) DESIGNATION:</b>	Vaughan Official Plan 2010 ('VOP 2010'): "Low-Rise Residential" by Chapter 2 - 11.11 Woodbridge Centre Secondary Plan ("WCSP").
<b>RELATED DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS:</b>	B008/24, A115/24, A116/24
<b>PURPOSE OF APPLICATION:</b>	Consent is being requested to sever a parcel of land for residential purposes approximately 1159.00 square metres. The retained parcel is approximately 1159.00 square metres. All existing structures, including the dwelling and basketball court are to be demolished.

## HEARING INFORMATION

**DATE OF MEETING:** Thursday, September 12, 2024

**TIME:** 6:00 p.m.

**MEETING LOCATION:** Vaughan City Hall, Woodbridge Room (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive

**LIVE STREAM LINK:** [Vaughan.ca/LiveCouncil](http://Vaughan.ca/LiveCouncil)

### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

If you would like to speak to the Committee of Adjustment at the meeting, either remotely or in person, please complete the [Request to Speak Form](#) and submit to [cofa@vaughan.ca](mailto:cofa@vaughan.ca)

If you would like to submit written comments, please quote file number above and submit by mail or email to:

**Email:** [cofa@vaughan.ca](mailto:cofa@vaughan.ca)

**Mail:** City of Vaughan, Office of the City Clerk, Committee of Adjustment, 2141 Major Mackenzie Drive, Vaughan, ON, L6A 1T1

To speak electronically, pre-registration is required by completing the [Request to Speak Form](#) on-line and submitting it to [cofa@vaughan.ca](mailto:cofa@vaughan.ca) no later than NOON on the last business day before the meeting.

**THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO SPEAK ELECTRONICALLY OR SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THE ABOVE NOTED FILE(S) IS NOON ON THE LAST BUSINESS DAY BEFORE THE MEETING.**

## INTRODUCTION

Staff and Agencies act as advisory bodies to the Committee of Adjustment. The comments contained in this report are presented as recommendations to the Committee.

Section 45(1) of the Planning Act sets the criteria for authorizing minor variances to the City of Vaughan's Zoning By-law. Accordingly, review of the application may consider the following:

- That the general intent and purpose of the by-law will be maintained.
- That the general intent and purpose of the official plan will be maintained.
- That the requested variance(s) is/are acceptable for the appropriate development of the subject lands.
- That the requested variance(s) is/are minor in nature.

Public written and oral submissions relating to this application are taken into consideration by the Committee of Adjustment as part of its deliberations and final decision on this matter.

## COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

<b>Date Public Notice Mailed:</b>	August 29, 2024
<b>Date Applicant Confirmed Posting of Sign:</b>	August 20, 2024
<b>COMMENTS:</b>	
Recommended conditions of approval:	
<b>Committee of Adjustment Recommended Conditions of Approval:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the applicant's solicitor confirms the legal description of both the severed and retained land.</li> <li>2. That the applicant provides two (2) full size copies of the deposited plan of reference of the entire land which conforms substantially with the application as submitted.</li> <li>3. That the applicant provides an electronic copy of the deposited reference plan to cofa@vaughan.ca</li> <li>4. Payment of the Certificate Fee as provided on the City of Vaughan's Committee</li> </ol>

## BUILDING STANDARDS (ZONING)

<b>**See Schedule B for Building Standards (Zoning) Comments</b>	
<b>Building Standards Recommended Conditions of Approval:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That minor variance A115/24 and A116/24 are approved and becomes final and binding.</li> <li>2. That all existing buildings on the existing lot are demolished and the required demolition permit is to be closed.</li> </ol>

## DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

<b>**See Schedule B for Development Planning Comments.</b>	
<b>Development Planning Recommended Conditions of Approval:</b>	None

## DEVELOPMENT ENGINEERING

<a href="#">Link to Grading Permit</a> <a href="#">Link to Pool Permit</a> <a href="#">Link to Curb Curt Permit</a> <a href="#">Link Culvert Installation</a>	
The Development Engineering (DE) Department does not object to Consent Application B008/24 subject to the following condition(s):	
<b>Development Engineering Recommended Conditions of Approval:</b>	<p>Consent Application B008/24 shall be read in conjunction with Minor Variance Applications A115/24 and A116/24. The Owner / Applicant shall prepare and register a reference plan at their expense showing all existing and proposed easements to the satisfaction of the Development Engineering Department (DE) for the Subject Lands applicable to the Consent Application. The Owner / Applicant shall submit a draft reference plan to DE for review prior to deposit with the Land Registry. The Owner / Applicant shall submit the deposited reference plan to DE in order to clear this condition. The Owner/Applicant shall initiate the relocation or upgrade of service connections by reaching out to the Development Inspection and Grading Department at <a href="mailto:serviceconnections@vaughan.ca">serviceconnections@vaughan.ca</a> or by requesting a cost estimate through the Service Request Form. The Service Request Form can be accessed in the Vaughan website at <a href="https://www.vaughan.ca/about-city-vaughan/departments/development-engineering/service-connections">https://www.vaughan.ca/about-city-vaughan/departments/development-engineering/service-connections</a>. The completed form should be accompanied by the final Lot Grading and Servicing Plan and sent via email at <a href="mailto:serviceconnections@vaughan.ca">serviceconnections@vaughan.ca</a>. The Owner/Applicant is responsible with covering all associated fees, including administration charges upon confirmation of the service connection estimates for the installation of necessary services. The service connection application process typically takes 4-6 weeks, so the Owner/Applicant is encouraged to allow sufficient time for the entire procedure to be completed.</p>

## REAL ESTATE

[Link to Grading Permit](#)  
 [Link to Pool Permit](#)  
 [Link to Curb Curt Permit](#)  
 [Link Culvert Installation](#)

Recommended condition of approval:

**Real Estate Recommended Conditions of Approval:**

The applicant shall provide the City with an appraisal report and valuation of the subject land (land only) to be prepared by an accredited appraiser. Payment of a Parkland levy to the City in lieu of the deeding of land for park purposes shall be made if a new lot is being created. Said levy is to be 5% of the appraised market value of the subject land as of the date of the Committee of Adjustment giving notice to the Applicant of the herein decision. Said levy shall be approved by the Director of Real Estate. Payment shall be made by certified cheque only.

## PARKS, FORESTRY & HORTICULTURE (PFH)

Recommended condition of approval:

**PFH Recommended Conditions of Approval:**

Applicant/owner shall obtain a "Private Property Tree Removal & Protection" permit through the forestry division prior to any demolition & construction works on the subject property.

## DEVELOPMENT FINANCE

That the payment of the City Development Charge is payable to the City of Vaughan prior to issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Development Charges Act and City-wide Development Charge By-law in effect at time of payment.

That the payment of Region of York Development Charge is payable to the City of Vaughan prior to issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Development Charges Act and Regional Development Charges By-laws in effect at time of payment.

That the payment of Education Development Charge is payable to the City of Vaughan prior to issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Education Act and York Region District School Board and York Catholic District School Board Development Charges By-laws in effect at time of payment.

That the payment of applicable Area Specific Development Charges are payable to the City of Vaughan prior to issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Development Charges Act and Area Specific Development Charge By-laws in effect at time of payment.

Demolition development charge credits valid for a period of 48 months from date of demolition permit issuance. After 48 months, full development charges apply as per by-laws.

**Development Finance Recommended Conditions of Approval:**

1. The owner shall pay of a Tree Fee, approved by Council as of the date of granting the consent. Payment is to be made by certified cheque, to the satisfaction of the City of Vaughan Financial Planning and Development Finance Department (contact Nelson Pereira to have this condition cleared).
2. The owner shall pay all property taxes as levied. Payment is to be made by certified cheque, to the satisfaction of the City of Vaughan Financial Planning and Development Finance Department (contact Nelson Pereira to have this condition cleared).

## BY-LAW AND COMPLIANCE, LICENSING AND PERMIT SERVICES

No comments

**BCLPS Recommended Conditions of Approval:**

None

## BUILDING INSPECTION (SEPTIC)

No comments received to date.

**Building Inspection Recommended Conditions of Approval:**

None

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

No comments received to date.

**Fire Department Recommended Conditions of Approval:**

None

## RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL SUMMARY

Should the Committee find it appropriate to approve this application in accordance with request and the sketch submitted with the application, as required by Ontario Regulation 200/96, the following conditions have been recommended:

#	DEPARTMENT / AGENCY	CONDITION
1	Committee of Adjustment <a href="mailto:cofa@vaughan.ca">cofa@vaughan.ca</a>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the applicant's solicitor confirms the legal description of both the severed and retained land.</li> <li>2. That the applicant provides two (2) full size copies of the deposited plan of reference of the entire land which conforms substantially with the application as submitted.</li> <li>3. That the applicant provides an electronic copy of the deposited reference plan to <a href="mailto:cofa@vaughan.ca">cofa@vaughan.ca</a></li> <li>4. Payment of the Certificate Fee as provided on the City of Vaughan's Committee</li> </ol>
2	Building Standards, Zoning Section <a href="mailto:Niloufar.youssefi@vaughan.ca">Niloufar.youssefi@vaughan.ca</a>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That minor variance A115/24 and A116/24 are approved and becomes final and binding.</li> <li>2. That all existing buildings on the existing lot are demolished and the required demolition permit is to be closed.</li> </ol>
3	Real Estate <a href="mailto:francesca.laratta@vaughan.ca">francesca.laratta@vaughan.ca</a>	The applicant shall provide the City with an appraisal report and valuation of the subject land (land only) to be prepared by an accredited appraiser. Payment of a Parkland levy to the City in lieu of the deeding of land for park purposes shall be made if a new lot is being created. Said levy is to be 5% of the appraised market value of the subject land as of the date of the Committee of Adjustment giving notice to the Applicant of the herein decision. Said levy shall be approved by the Director of Real Estate. Payment shall be made by certified cheque only.
4	Development Engineering <a href="mailto:Rex.bondad@vaughan.ca">Rex.bondad@vaughan.ca</a>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consent Application B008/24 shall be read in conjunction with Minor Variance Applications A115/24 and A116/24. The Owner / Applicant shall prepare and register a reference plan at their expense showing all existing and proposed easements to the satisfaction of the Development Engineering Department (DE) for the Subject Lands applicable to the Consent Application. The Owner / Applicant shall submit a draft reference plan to DE for review prior to deposit with the Land Registry. The Owner / Applicant shall submit the deposited reference plan to DE in order to clear this condition.</li> <li>2. The Owner/Applicant shall initiate the relocation or upgrade of service connections by reaching out to the Development Inspection and Grading Department at <a href="mailto:serviceconnections@vaughan.ca">serviceconnections@vaughan.ca</a> or by requesting a cost estimate through the Service Request Form. The Service Request Form can be accessed in the Vaughan website at <a href="https://www.vaughan.ca/about-city-vaughan/departments/development-engineering/service-connections">https://www.vaughan.ca/about-city-vaughan/departments/development-engineering/service-connections</a>. The</li> </ol>

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5	<p>Development Finance  <a href="mailto:nelson.pereira@vaughan.ca">nelson.pereira@vaughan.ca</a></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The owner shall pay of a Tree Fee, approved by Council as of the date of granting the consent. Payment is to be made by certified cheque, to the satisfaction of the City of Vaughan Financial Planning and Development Finance Department (contact Nelson Pereira to have this condition cleared).</li> <li>2. The owner shall pay all property taxes as levied. Payment is to be made by certified cheque, to the satisfaction of the City of Vaughan Financial Planning and Development Finance Department (contact Nelson Pereira to have this condition cleared).</li> </ol>
6	<p>Parks, Forestry and Horticulture Operations  <a href="mailto:zachary.quizzetti@vaughan.ca">zachary.quizzetti@vaughan.ca</a></p>	<p>Applicant/owner shall obtain a "Private Property Tree Removal &amp; Protection" permit through the forestry division prior to any demolition &amp; construction works on the subject property.</p>
7	<p>TRCA  <a href="mailto:Yorkplan@trca.ca">Yorkplan@trca.ca</a></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. That the applicant provides the required fee amount of \$1,590 payable to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.</li> <li>2. That the applicant obtains a permit for development activity for each property pursuant to Conservation Authorities Act – Section 28.</li> </ol>
<p><i>All conditions of approval, unless otherwise stated, are considered to be incorporated into the approval "if required". If a condition is no longer required after an approval is final and binding, the condition may be waived by the respective department or agency requesting conditional approval. A condition cannot be waived without written consent from the respective department or agency.</i></p>		

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**CONDITIONS:** It is the responsibility of the owner/applicant and/or authorized agent to obtain and provide a clearance letter from respective department and/or agency (**see condition chart above for contact**). This letter must be provided to the Secretary-Treasurer to be finalized. All conditions must be cleared prior to the issuance of a Building Permit.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**APPROVALS:** Making any changes to your proposal after a decision has been made may impact the validity of the Committee's decision.

An approval obtained from the Committee of Adjustment, where applicable, is tied to the building envelope shown on the plans and drawings submitted with the application and subject to the variance approval.

A building envelope is defined by the setbacks of the buildings and/or structures shown on the plans and drawings submitted with the application, as required by Ontario Regulation 200/96. Future development outside of an approved building envelope, where a minor variance was obtained, must comply with the provisions of the City's Zoning By-law.

Elevation drawings are provided to reflect the style of roof (i.e. flat, mansard, gable etc.) to which a building height variance has been applied. Where a height variance is approved, building height is applied to the style of roof (as defined in the City's Zoning By-law) shown on the elevation plans submitted with the application.

Architectural design features that are not regulated by the City's Zoning By-law are not to be considered part of an approval unless specified in the Committee's decision.

**DEVELOPMENT CHARGES:** That the payment of the Regional Development Charge, if required, is payable to the City of Vaughan before issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Development Charges Act and the Regional Development Charges By-law in effect at the time of payment.

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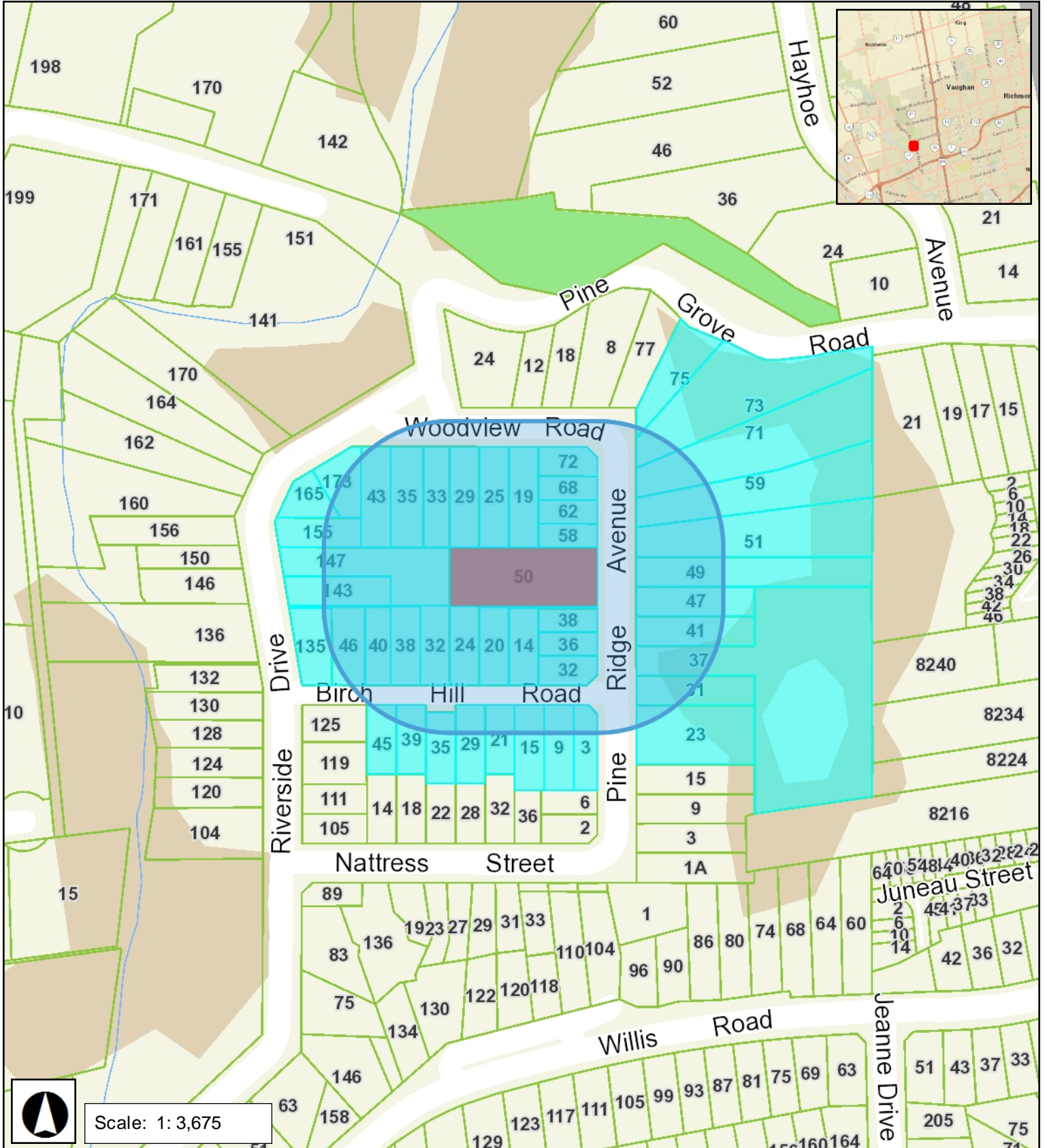
That the payment of the Education Development Charge if required, is payable to the City of Vaughan before issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Development Charges Act and the Boards of Education By-laws in effect at the time of payment

That the payment of Special Area Development charge, if required, is payable to the City of Vaughan before issuance of a building permit in accordance with the Development Charges Act and The City's Development Charge By-law in effect at the time of Building permit issuance to the satisfaction of the Reserves/Capital Department.

**NOTICE OF DECISION:** If you wish to be notified of the decision in respect to this application or a related Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) hearing you must complete a Request for Decision form and submit to the Secretary Treasurer (ask staff for details). In the absence of a written request to be notified of the Committee's decision you will **not** receive notice.

**SCHEDULE A: DRAWINGS & PLANS**





**SITE STATISTICS**

50 PINE RIDGE AVE, WOODBRIDGE, ON  
 LOT 14 REGISTERED PLAN H-1114  
 CITY OF VAUGHAN, REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

**ZONING DESIGNATION**  
 R3 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL  
 R31EN1 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (ESTABLISHED NEIGHBOURHOOD)

**LOT A and B AREA**

1159 m <sup>2</sup>	1159.00 m <sup>2</sup>
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**ZONING BY-LAW 1-88 & 00-2021 - LOT A**

BY-LAW REQUIREMENT	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 1-88	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 001-2021	EXISTING	PROPOSED
LOT AREA	360 m <sup>2</sup>	315 m <sup>2</sup>	2318 m <sup>2</sup>	1159 m <sup>2</sup>
LOT FRONTAGE	12 m	12 m	30.42 m	15.21 m
LOT DEPTH	N/A	N/A	76.2 m	76.2 m
MAX. LOT COVERAGE	40%	50%	15.03%	39.1%

	4.5 m	4.5 m**	9.8 m	7.54 m
FRONT YARD (EAST)	4.5 m	4.5 m**	9.8 m	7.54 m
REAR YARD (WEST)	7.5 m	6.0 m	57.6 m	28.61 m
INT. SIDE YARD (NORTH)	1.2 m	1.2 m	7.57 m	1.0 m
INT. SIDE YARD (SOUTH)	1.2 m	1.2 m	1.9 m	1.0 m

	9.5 m	9.5 m**	-	8.42 m
HEIGHT above established grade	9.5 m	9.5 m**	-	8.42 m
MIN. LANDSCAPE OF FRONT YARD (L1)	50%	-	-	66%
MIN. SOFT LANDSCAPE OF FRONT YARD	60% OF L1	33%	-	72.5%
MIN. LANDSCAPE OF REAR YARD	60%***	60%***	-	100%
DRIVEWAY WIDTH	6.0 m	-	-	5.8 m

	-	-	-	476.6m <sup>2</sup>
GFA TOTAL	-	-	-	476.6m <sup>2</sup>
GFA UNIT 1 (PRIMARY)	-	-	-	213.5m <sup>2</sup> (100%)
GFA UNIT 2 (SECONDARY)	-	45% MAX	-	125m <sup>2</sup> (58.5%)
GFA UNIT 3 (SECONDARY)	-	45% MAX	-	96.1m <sup>2</sup> (45%)

\* The lesser of:  
 4.5m or the existing front yard less 2.0m, but in no case shall the required min. front yard be less than 4.5m  
 5.7m setback to private garage

\*\* The more restrictive of:  
 9.5m or the existing building height plus 3.0m\*

\*\*\* Where the area of a rear yard of a lot is greater than 135m<sup>2</sup>, a min of 60% of that portion of the rear yard in excess of 135m<sup>2</sup> shall be composed of soft landscaping

**ZONING BY-LAW 1-88 & 00-2021 - LOT B R1**

BY-LAW REQUIREMENT	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 1-88	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 001-2021	EXISTING	PROPOSED
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**RECEIVED**  
 By provided at 5:19 pm, Jul 08, 2024

**GENERAL NOTE:**

THESE DRAWINGS ARE PROPERTY OF FRANKFRANCO ARCHITECTS (FFA) AND MAY NOT BE USED OR COPIED WITHOUT WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM FFA.

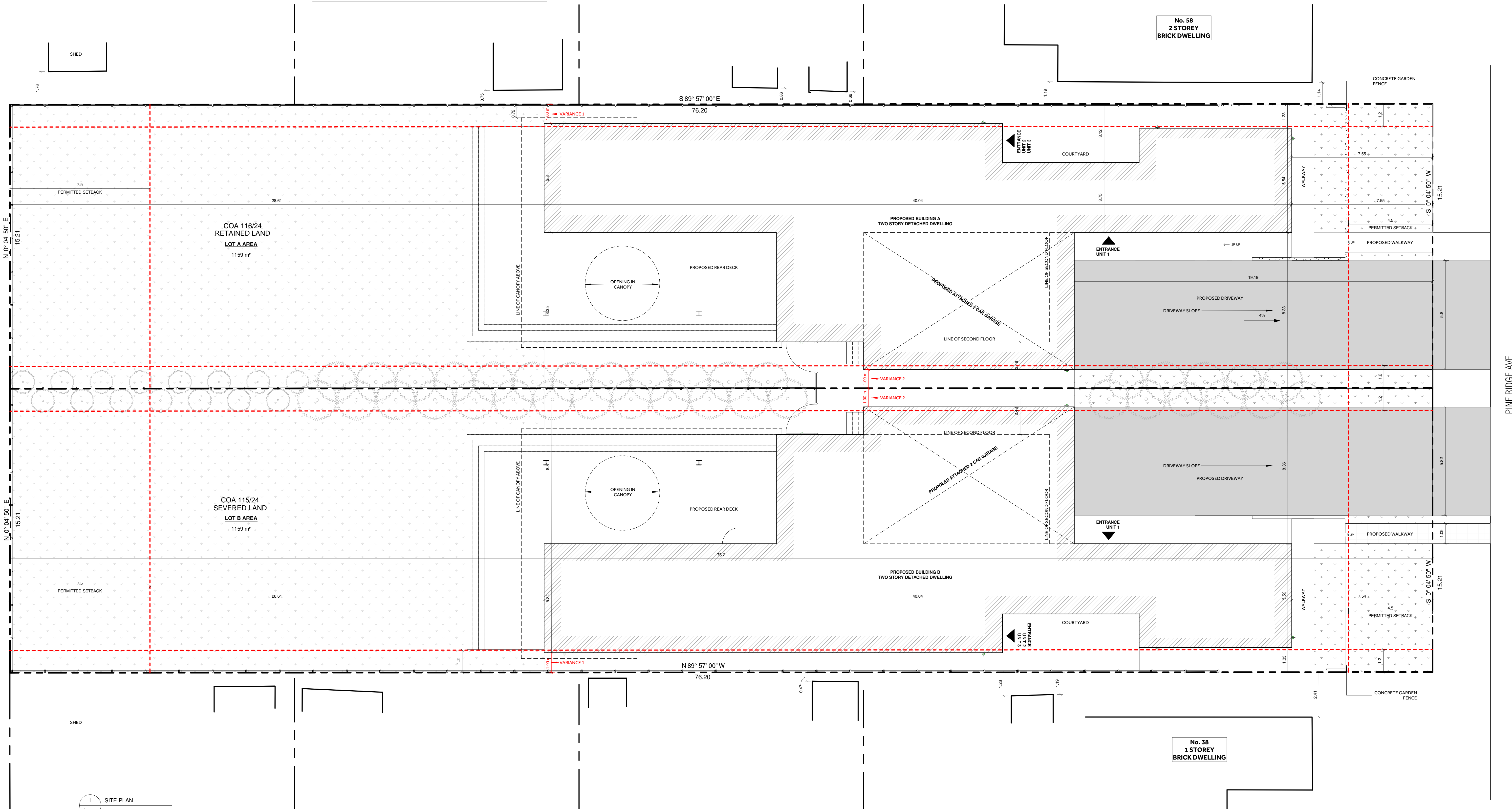
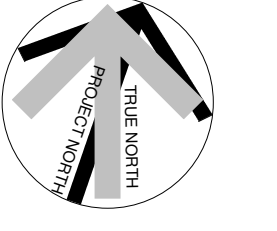
THESE DRAWINGS MUST BE RETURNED TO FFA UPON COMPLETION OF THE WORK.

THESE ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS ARE TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH CONSULTANT DRAWINGS. IF PROVIDED, ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL ADHERE TO THESE DOCUMENTS, AND SHALL CONFORM TO THE ONTARIO BUILDING CODE, ALL APPLICABLE LAWS, AND ALL AUTHORITIES HAVING JURISDICTION.

CONTRACTOR SHALL CHECK AND VERIFY ALL DIMENSIONS AND REPORT ALL DISCREPANCIES, UNCLEAR INFORMATION AND UNFORSEEN SITE CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE PROPOSED DESIGN TO FFA BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH THE WORK. DRAWINGS ARE NOT TO BE SCALED.

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NO.	DATE	ISSUED FOR
1	2024.05.08	PLANNER REVIEW #1



1 SITE PLAN  
 A-001 1:100

PINE RIDGE AVE.



50 PINE RIDGE AVE  
 VAUGHAN, ON L4L 2H9

PROJECT MANAGER FD  
 DRAWN TB  
 CHECKED FD  
 SCALE 1:100

SITE PLAN  
**A-001**  
 JULY 18, 2023

**SITE STATISTICS**

50 PINE RIDGE AVE, WOODBRIDGE, ON  
 LOT 1 & REGISTERED PLAN N-1114  
 CITY OF VAUGHAN, REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

**ZONING DESIGNATION**  
 R3 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL  
 RE3EN1 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (ESTABLISHED NEIGHBOURHOOD)

**LOT A and B AREA**

1159 m <sup>2</sup>	1159.00 m <sup>2</sup>
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**ZONING BY-LAW 1-88 & 00-2021 - LOT A**

BY-LAW REQUIREMENT	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 1-88	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 001-2021	EXISTING	PROPOSED
LOT AREA	360 m <sup>2</sup>	315 m <sup>2</sup>	2318 m <sup>2</sup>	1159 m <sup>2</sup>
LOT FRONTAGE	12 m	12 m	30.42 m	15.21 m
LOT DEPTH	N/A	N/A	76.2 m	76.2 m
MAX. LOT COVERAGE	40%	50%	15.03 %	39.1%

FRONT YARD (EAST)	4.5 m	4.5 m*	9.8 m	7.54 m
REAR YARD (WEST)	7.5 m	6.0 m	57.6 m	28.61 m
INT. SIDE YARD (NORTH)	1.2 m	1.2 m	7.57 m	1.0 m
INT. SIDE YARD (SOUTH)	1.2 m	1.2 m	1.0 m	1.0 m

HEIGHT	9.5 m	9.5 m**	-	8.42 m
MIN. LANDSCAPE OF FRONT YARD (L1)	50%	-	-	66%
MIN. SOFT LANDSCAPE OF FRONT YARD	60% OF L1	33%	-	72.5%
MIN. LANDSCAPE OF REAR YARD	60%***	60%***	-	100%
DRIVEWAY WIDTH	6.0 m	-	-	5.8 m

GFA TOTAL	-	-	-	476.6m <sup>2</sup>
GFA UNIT 1 (PRIMARY)	-	-	-	215.5m <sup>2</sup> (100%)
GFA UNIT 2 (SECONDARY)	-	45% MAX	-	125m <sup>2</sup> (58.5%)
GFA UNIT 3 (SECONDARY)	-	45% MAX	-	96.1m <sup>2</sup> (44%)

\*The lesser of:  
 4.5m or the existing front yard less 2.0m, but in no case shall the required min. front yard be less than 4.5m  
 5.7m setback to private garage

\*\*The more restrictive of:  
 9.5m or the existing building height plus 3.0m\*

\*\*\*Where the area of a rear yard of a lot is greater than 135m, a min of 60% of that portion of the rear yard in excess of 135m shall be composed of soft landscaping

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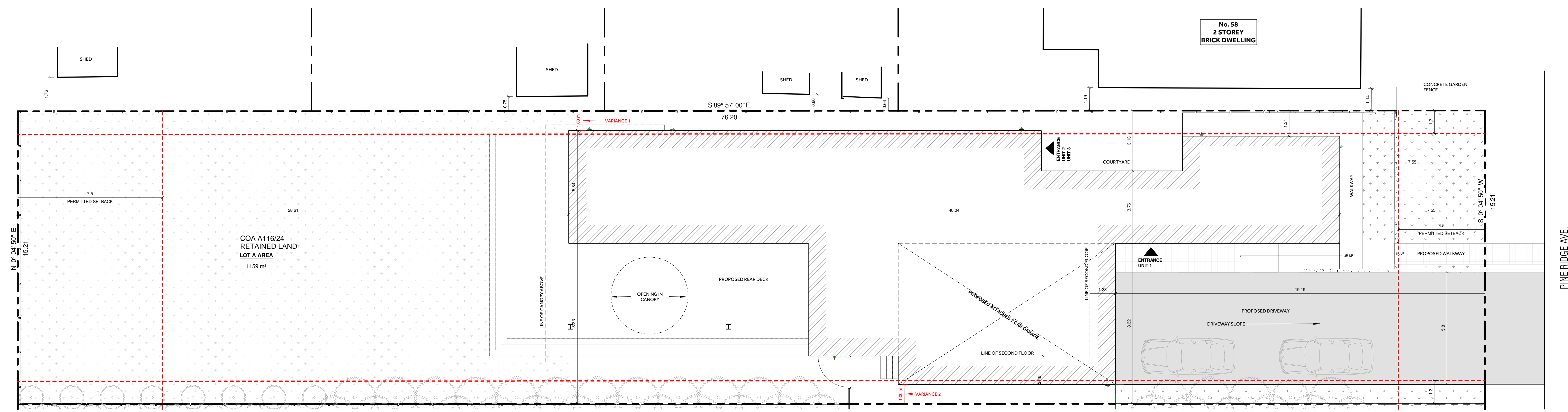
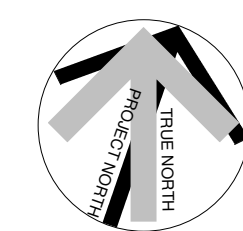
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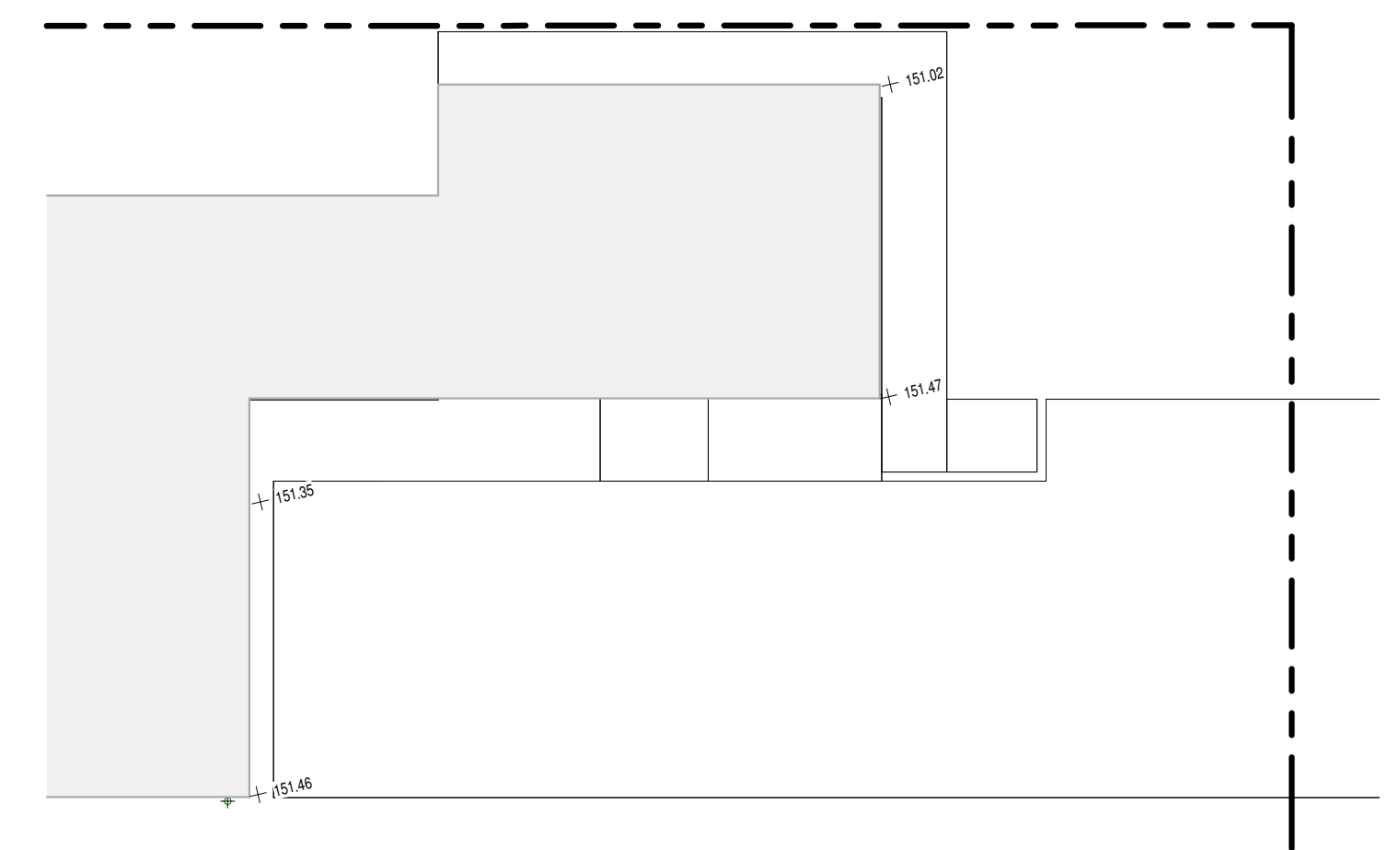
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1	2024.05.06	PLANNER REVIEW #1



1 SITE PLAN - LOT A  
 A-001a 1 : 100



2 ESTABLISHED GRADE - LOT A  
 A-001a 1 : 128

ESTABLISHED GRADE @ FRONT WALL OF DWELLING  
 (151.02 + 151.47 + 151.35 + 151.46) / 4 = 151.325

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PROJECT MANAGER: FD  
 DRAWN: TB  
 CHECKED: SR  
 SCALE: As indicated

SITE PLAN - LOT A

A-001a

JULY 18, 2023



**SCHEDULE B:  
COMMENTS FROM AGENCIES, BUILDING STANDARDS &  
DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

Department / Agency <small>*Comments Received</small>	Conditions Required		Nature of Comments
Building Standards (Zoning) *See Schedule B	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	General Comments w/Conditions
Development Planning	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Recommend Approval no conditions

External Agencies <small>*Comments Received</small>	Conditions Required		Nature of Comments <small>*See Schedule B for full comments</small>
Alectra	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	General Comments
TRCA	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Recommend Approval w/Conditions

**To:** Christine Vigneault, Committee of Adjustment Secretary Treasurer  
**From:** Nancy Tuckett, Director of Development Planning  
**Date:** September 05, 2024  
**Name of Owner:** Simran Kahlon  
**Location:** 50 Pine Ridge Avenue  
**File No.(s):** B008/24, A115/24, & A116/24

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**B008/24**

The Owner has submitted Consent Application File B008/24 to subdivide the Subject Lands in two, severing a 1,159 m<sup>2</sup> residential lot ('Severed Lands') and retaining a 1,159 m<sup>2</sup> residential lot ('Retained Lands').

**A115/24 (Severed Lands – Lot B)**

Variances are requested for the building proposed on the Severed Lands.

***Proposed Variance(s) (By-law 001-2021):***

1. To permit a minimum interior side yard of **1 m** on north side.
2. To permit a minimum interior side yard of **1 m** on south side.
3. To permit a maximum gross floor area of the secondary suite for **Unit 2** to be **66.6%** gross floor area of the principal dwelling.
4. To permit a maximum gross floor area of the secondary suite for **Unit 3** to be **54.5%** gross floor area of the principal dwelling.

***By-law Requirement(s) (By-law 001-2021):***

1. A minimum interior side yard of **1.2 m** is required
2. A minimum interior side yard of **1.2 m** is required
3. The maximum gross floor area of a secondary suite shall not exceed **45%** of the total gross floor area of the principal dwelling.
4. The maximum gross floor area of a secondary suite shall not exceed **45%** of the total gross floor area of the principal dwelling.

**A116/24 (Retained Lands – Lot A)**

Variances are requested for the building proposed on the Retained Lands.

***Proposed Variance(s) (By-law 001-2021):***

1. To permit a minimum interior side yard of **1 m** on north side.
2. To permit a minimum interior side yard of **1 m** on south side.
3. To permit a maximum gross floor area of the secondary suite for **Unit 2** to be **66.6%** gross floor area of the principal dwelling.
4. To permit a maximum gross floor area of the secondary suite for **Unit 3** to be **54.5%** gross floor area of the principal dwelling.

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**Official Plan:**

Vaughan Official Plan 2010 ('VOP 2010'): "Low-Rise Residential" by Schedule 2 and "Stable Residential Neighbourhoods" by Schedule 5 – Volume 2, Section 11.11 Woodbridge Centre Secondary Plan ('WCSP').

**B008/24 Comments:**Proposal

The Owner is proposing to demolish the existing 1-storey single-detached dwelling, divide the Subject Lands in two through consent application B008/24, and develop a new single-detached dwelling on each lot which will be divided into 3 units respectively and each require a minor variance application (A115/24 & A116/24) to permit the proposed building footprints and unit layouts (the 'Applications'). The severed and retained lands each propose a lot frontage of 15.21 m and a lot area of 1,159 m<sup>2</sup>. In support of this consent application the Owner submitted a Planning Brief, prepared by FrankFranco Architects which contains a Planning Opinion by Mainline Planning Services. The Development Planning Department has reviewed the brief and agrees with its findings.

AnalysisProvincial Policy Statement 2020

In accordance with Section 3 of the Planning Act, all land use decisions in Ontario "shall be consistent" with the Provincial Policy Statement 2020 (the 'PPS'). The PPS provides a policy framework that promotes growth within settlement areas through the effective utilization of existing infrastructure and public service facilities to provide a wide range of housing opportunities. These policies support the goal of enhancing the quality of life for all Ontarians. Key policy objectives include: building strong, healthy communities, the wise use and management of resources, and protecting public health and safety. Specifically, policy 1.1.3 speaks to Settlement Areas being the focus of development based on densities and land uses which efficiently use land. Similarly, policy 1.4.3 focuses on the need for municipalities to plan for a diverse range of housing options and densities to meet the ever-increasing projected market-based and affordable housing needs of the current and future residents of the regional market area. The City has planned for appropriate housing opportunities through intensification via its Official Plan, which establishes what forms of intensification are appropriate in certain locations. The application proposes an additional residential lot which does increase density and provides additional housing options. The dwelling on each lot is proposed to have three (3) separate units, further increasing density and housing options. The Development Planning Department is of the opinion the proposed development is consistent with the policies of the PPS.

Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe 2019

A Place to Grow: The Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe ('Growth Plan') is intended to guide decision making on the development of land by encouraging compact built form, transit supportive communities, diverse land uses, and range of housing types. As the Subject Lands are located within a Settlement Area and delineated built-up area, the Growth Plan policies to manage and direct growth within intensification areas with municipal services and infrastructure apply. Section 2.2.1 of the Growth Plan encourages the creation of complete communities through measures like: the efficient and effective use of land and infrastructure, prioritizing intensification, providing access to transit options and providing a mix of land uses. The application proposes a form of intensification within an existing neighbourhood by facilitating the creation of an additional residential lot. The proposal conforms to the Growth Plan.

York Region Official Plan 2022

The Subject Lands are designated "Community Area" in the York Region Official Plan 2022 ('YROP'). Within the YROP, Community Areas recognized as area where the majority of residents, personal services, retail, arts, culture, recreational facilities, and human services needs, will be located. Policy 4.2.2 states that Community Areas shall contain a wide range and mix of housing types, sizes, tenures that include options that are affordable to residents at all stages of life. The creation of an additional lot to allow for the development of the proposed two (2) residential dwellings (combining for a total

of six (6) residential units) is in keeping with the objectives and policies outlined in YROP 2022.

### VOP 2010

The Subject Lands are designated “Low-Rise Residential” by Schedule 2 and “Stable Residential Neighbourhoods” by Schedule 5 – Volume 2, Section 11.11 Woodbridge Centre Secondary Plan (“WCSP”). The Low-Rise Residential designation identifies areas to consist of residential, convenience retail, and institutional related uses in a low-rise form no greater than 3 storeys. The Low-Rise Residential designation permits single detached dwellings and single detached dwellings are proposed. A two-storey dwelling on each lot is proposed. Policies 10.1.2.47.a (i-vi) of VOP 2010, requires regard be had to the local lot pattern (configuration, size, height, etc.) when determining the appropriateness of a consent. The Stable Residential Neighbourhoods designation provides guiding policies for existing neighbourhoods. As the Zoning By-law implements an Official Plan, the zone provisions are to be used as a guide to assess whether the proposed development is appropriate with respect to the Official Plan policies.

### Zoning By-law 001-2021

The proposed severed and retained lots are zoned R3(EN) Third Density Residential Zone (Established Neighbourhood) under Zoning By-law 001-2021, as amended. The proposed Retained and Severed Lands each provide an area of 1,159 m<sup>2</sup> and a lot frontage of 15.21 m. Both the proposed Retained and Severed Lands exceed the minimum lot area (315 m<sup>2</sup>) and frontage (12 m) requirements within Zoning By-law 001-2021.

The Subject Lands are located in a residential neighbourhood consisting of 2 blocks set into the Humber River valley accessed by Pine Grove Road and Riverside Drive. The 2 blocks are bounded by Riverside Drive in the west, Nattress Street in the south, Pine Ridge Avenue in the east, and Woodview Road in the north. Additional residential lots encircle the two blocks. The neighbourhood is characterized by lots with a range of frontages and areas containing one and two-storey single detached dwellings of a variety of ages and styles. The Subject Lands are one of the largest lots in the neighbourhood and is the largest lot internal to the two blocks. Lot frontages range between about 12 m to 30 m, with the majority of the lots being between about 12 m to 16 m. Lot areas range between approximately 300 m<sup>2</sup> to 7,500 m<sup>2</sup>, with the majority of the lots being between about 500 m<sup>2</sup> to 1000 m<sup>2</sup>.

Both the Severed and Retained Lands propose a lot frontage of 15.21 m and a lot area of 1,159 m<sup>2</sup>, which are greater than most of the lots within the neighbourhood. In relation to the other lots within the same block as the Subject Lands, the frontage is consistent with most lots and the area is greater than all but one lot. The vast majority of lots within the neighbourhood are rectangular in shape, though there are some pie shapes, and other shapes are present as well. The Severed and Retained Lands propose a rectangular lot shape. Therefore, the proposed lot configurations respect the area, frontage and lot shape of the existing neighbourhood lot fabric. As such, the proposal conforms to VOP 2010 and the Zoning By-law.

### **A115/24 (Severed Lands – Lot B) Comments**

Relief from the Zoning By-law is required to facilitate the proposed two-story residential building design and layout of the 3 units on the severed lands. As a result of recent Provincial Planning Legislation changes (Bill 23), subsection 35.1 (b) of the *Planning Act* provides that a municipality’s zoning by-law shall permit: “three residential units in a detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of urban residential land, if no building or structure ancillary to the detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units”. The residential building proposed upon the severed lands is to contain three residential units. This is a form of light intensification encouraged through province-wide legislation.

The Development Planning Department has no objection to Variances 1 & 2 to permit 1.0 m interior side yard setbacks on the north and south side of the proposed dwelling. The 0.2 m encroachment to the required interior side yard setback on the north and south sides of the proposed dwelling are negligible from a visual perspective. On the north side, the setback is requested to permit the attached garage. The second storey will be stepped back. On the south side, the relief is requested for the portion of the



dwelling wall between the common entrance to units 2 and 3 and the rear wall. On the north side, the building will abut the proposed building on the Retained Lands (Lot A) and will be partially screened by proposed trees along the shared property line. On the south side, the Severed Lands abut the interior side yard of 38 Pine Ridge Avenue, as well as the rear yards of 14, 20, and 24 Birch Hill Road. No adverse visual or massing impacts are anticipated on the abutting properties, or the neighbourhood as a whole.

The Development Planning Department has no objection to Variance 3 to permit a maximum Gross Floor Area (GFA) for secondary suite unit 2 to be 66.6% of the principal dwelling or Variance 4 to permit a maximum Gross Floor Area (GFA) for secondary suite unit 3 to be 54.5% of the principal dwelling. The severed lot, if approved, will have a single visually prominent dwelling. Unit 1, the primary dwelling, will comprise the entire main floor of the building and have a front door visible from the street. Units 2 and 3 will be on the second floor and are to be accessed via a common door and stairwell on the south side. A function of the GFA requirement is to ensure one dwelling continues to remain visually prominent to be in keeping with the single-detached character of many neighbourhoods. The common entrance door is not anticipated to be very visible from the street and it is not readily apparent by looking at the front façade that the building contains multiple units. Therefore, adding to the GFA of units 2 and 3 will not change the visual prominence of the dwelling or the appearance of the building. The building will maintain one visually prominent dwelling unit. Additionally, as four (4) spaces are provided (2 spaces for the primary unit and 1 space for each of the secondary units 2 and 3), the parking requirement is met. The increase to GFA does not impact the parking requirement. The proposed residential dwelling is relatively minimal from a massing perspective as the proposed dwelling is less than the maximum allowable building height and lot coverage requirements of the Zoning By-law and exceeds the front and rear yard setback requirements of the Zoning By-law. As such, no adverse massing or use (privacy) impacts are anticipated on the surrounding neighbourhood.

#### **A116/24 (Retained Lands – Lot A) Comments**

Relief from the Zoning By-law is required to facilitate the proposed two-story residential building design and layout of the 3 units on the retained lands. As a result of recent Provincial Planning Legislation changes (Bill 23), subsection 35.1 (b) of the *Planning Act* provides that a municipality's zoning by-law shall permit: "...three residential units in a detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse on a parcel of urban residential land, if no building or structure ancillary to the detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units...". The residential building proposed upon the severed lands is to contain three residential units. This is a form of light intensification encouraged through province-wide legislation.

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The Development Planning Department has no objection to Variance 3 to permit a maximum Gross Floor Area (GFA) of the secondary suite for unit 2 to be 66.6% of the principal dwelling or Variance 4 to permit a maximum Gross Floor Area (GFA) of the secondary suite for unit 3 to be 54.5% of the principal dwelling. The retained lot, if approved, will have a single visually prominent dwelling. Unit 1, the primary dwelling, will comprise the entire main floor of the building and have a front door visible from the street. Units 2 and 3 will be on the second floor and are to be accessed via a common door and stairwell on the south side. A function of the GFA requirement is to ensure one dwelling continues to remain visually prominent to be in keeping with the single-detached character of many neighbourhoods. The common entrance door is not anticipated to be very visible from the street and it is not readily apparent by looking at the front façade that the building contains multiple units. Therefore, adding to the GFA of

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**Conclusion**

In support of the Applications, the Owner submitted a Tree Inventory and Preservation Plan Report prepared by Kuntz Forestry Consulting Inc., dated July 17, 2023. The report inventoried a total of eight (8) trees on the Subject Lands and neighbouring properties, two (2) of which are proposed to be preserved through construction. Six (6) trees are proposed to be removed and twelve (12) replacement trees are proposed as a result. Urban Design staff have reviewed the report and concur with its recommendations.

The proposed lots exceed the minimum lot frontage and area requirements of the R3 Zone, propose a lot fabric consistent with that found within the abutting properties and neighbourhood, and the variances: (1) are not required to facilitate the requested uses and (2) propose minor alterations to the built form.

Accordingly, the Development Planning Department has no objection to the requested severance and is of the opinion that the proposal is consistent with the PPS, conforms to the Growth Plan, conforms to the Official Plan, complies with the Zoning By-law, and conforms to Section 51(24) of the *Planning Act* as required by Section 53(12) of the *Planning Act*.

Additionally, the Development Planning Department supports the requested variances and is of the opinion that the proposals are minor in nature, maintain the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law, and are desirable for the appropriate development of the land.

**Recommendation:**

The Development Planning Department recommends approval of the Applications.

**Conditions of Approval:**

If the Committee finds merit in the Applications, the following conditions of approval are recommended:

None.

**Comments Prepared by:**

Nicholas Del Prete, Planner  
David Harding, Senior Planner

July 26, 2024

PAR-DPP-2024-00152

**SENT BY E-MAIL: Christine.Vigneault@vaughan.ca**

Ms. Christine Vigneault, Secretary Treasurer  
Committee of Adjustment, City of Vaughan  
2141 Major Mackenzie Drive  
Vaughan, Ontario L6A 1T1

Dear Ms. Vigneault:

**Re: Consent Application B008/24  
Minor Variance Applications A115/24 & A116/24  
50 Pine Ridge Avenue  
Lot 14, Plan M1114  
City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York  
Agent: FrankFranco Architects.**

This letter acknowledges receipt of the above-noted application circulated by the City of Vaughan. The materials were received by the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) on July 24, 2024. TRCA staff have reviewed the application and offer the following comments for the consideration of the Committee of Adjustment.

**Purpose of the Applications**

**B008/24**

It is our understanding that the purpose of the above noted application is to request the consent of the Committee of Adjustment to sever an approximately 1159.0 square metre parcel of land from the existing lot (known municipally as 50 Pine Ridge Avenue) leaving a 1159.0 square metre lot to be retained.

**A115/24**

It is our understanding that the purpose of the above Minor Variance Application is to request the following variance under By-law 001-2024:

- To permit a minimum interior side yard setback of 1.0 metres on the north side;
- To permit a minimum interior side yard setback of 1.0 metres on the south side;
- To permit a maximum gross floor area of the secondary suite for Unit 2 to be 66.6% gross floor area of the principle dwelling; and,
- To permit a maximum gross floor area of the secondary suite for Unit 3 to be 54.5% gross floor area of the principle dwelling.

It is the understanding of TRCA staff that the noted variance is required to facilitate the severance of the total lands and for the creation of a new dwelling.

**A116/24**

It is our understanding that the purpose of the above Minor Variance Application is to request the following variance under By-law 001-2024:

- To permit a minimum interior side yard setback of 1.0 metres on the north side;
- To permit a minimum interior side yard setback of 1.0 metres on the south side;
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It is the understanding of TRCA staff that the noted variance is required to facilitate the severance of the total lands and for the creation of a new dwelling.

### **Conservation Authorities Act**

The entire subject property (50 Pine Ridge Avenue) is within TRCA's Regulated Area as the existing developed lot is located at the floor of a valley corridor associated with a tributary of the Humber River Watershed. As such, a TRCA permit pursuant to Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act is required for any development and site alteration within TRCA's Regulated Area.

### **Application-Specific Comments**

The requested consent and variances will result in the creation of two total lots, two dwellings, and three units per dwelling. TRCA reviewed the above-noted planning applications and are satisfied that the subject property (50 Pine Ridge Avenue) is sufficiently setback from the valley slope (erosion hazard) to the east. Based on the above, TRCA staff have no objection to the requested consent and minor variances.

### **Fees**

By copy of this letter, the applicant is advised that TRCA has implemented a fee schedule for our planning application review services. This application is subject to a \$1,590 (Consent/Severance/Land Division - Minor) review fee. The applicant is responsible for fee payment and should forward the application fee to this office as soon as possible.

### **Recommendations**

Based on the comments noted above, TRCA has **no objection** to the approval of Consent Application B008/24, Minor Variance Application A115/24, and Minor Variance Application A116/24, subject to the following conditions:

1. That the applicant provides the required fee amount of \$1,590 payable to the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority.
2. That the applicant obtains a permit for development activity for each property pursuant to Conservation Authorities Act – Section 28.

We trust these comments are of assistance. Should you have any questions, please contact me at 437-880-1925 or at [cameron.mcdonald@trca.ca](mailto:cameron.mcdonald@trca.ca)

Sincerely,

*Cameron McDonald*

Cameron McDonald  
Planner I  
Development Planning and Permits

**To:** Committee of Adjustment  
**From:** Niloufar Youssefi, Building Standards Department  
**Date:** July 26, 2024  
**Location:** 50 Pine Ridge Avenue (Lot B)  
 PLAN M1114 Lot 14  
**File No.(s):** B008/24

**Zoning Classification:**

The subject lands are zoned R3(EN) - Third Density Residential Zone (Established Neighbourhood) under Zoning By-law 001-2021, as amended.

#	Zoning By-law 001-2021 Requirements	Proposal
1	Lot Area:  A minimum lot area of 315.0m <sup>2</sup> is required for the severed lands [Table 7-4].  A minimum lot area of 315.0m <sup>2</sup> is required for the retained lands [Table 7-4].	The proposed lot area of 1159.0 m <sup>2</sup> for the severed lands complies with the minimum lot area requirement.  The proposed lot area of 1159.0 m <sup>2</sup> for the retained lands complies with the minimum lot area requirement.
	Lot Frontage:  A minimum lot frontage of 12.0 metres is required for the severed lands [Table 7-4].  A minimum lot frontage of 12.0 metres is required for the retained lands [Table 7-4].	The proposed lot frontage of 15.21 metres for the severed lands complies with the minimum lot frontage requirement.  The proposed lot frontage of 15.21 metres for the retained lands complies with the minimum lot frontage requirement.

**Staff Comments:**

**Stop Work Order(s) and Order(s) to Comply:**

There are no outstanding Orders on file.

**Other Comments:**

General Comments	
1	The related minor variance files A115/24 and A116/24 shall be read in conjunction with this application.
2	A surveyor's certificate of lot areas, frontages, and depth as per the definitions in Section 3.0 of by-law 001-2021 as amended is required in order to confirm compliance with the by-law.

**Conditions of Approval:**

If the committee finds merit in the application, the following conditions of approval are recommended.

1. That minor variance A115/24 and A116/24 are approved and becomes final and binding.
2. That all existing buildings on the existing lot are demolished and the required demolition permit is to be closed.

\* Comments are based on the review of documentation supplied with this application.

**Date:** June 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024  
**Attention:** **Christine Vigneault**  
**RE:** Request for Comments

**File No.:** **B008-24**

**Related Files:**

**Applicant:** Niloufar Yousefi

**Location** 50 Pine Ridge Avenue (Lot B)



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### COMMENTS:

- We have reviewed the proposed Consent Application and have no comments or objections to its approval.
- We have reviewed the proposed Consent Application and have no objections to its approval, subject to the following comments (attached below).
- We have reviewed the proposed Consent Application and have the following concerns (attached below).

Alectra Utilities (formerly PowerStream) has received and reviewed the proposed Consent Application. This review, however, does not imply any approval of the project or plan.

All proposed billboards, signs, and other structures associated with the project or plan must maintain minimum clearances to the existing overhead or underground electrical distribution system as specified by the applicable standards, codes and acts referenced.

In the event that construction commences, and the clearance between any component of the work/structure and the adjacent existing overhead and underground electrical distribution system violates the Occupational Health and Safety Act, the customer will be responsible for 100% of the costs associated with Alectra making the work area safe. All construction work will be required to stop until the safe limits of approach can be established.

In the event construction is completed, and the clearance between the constructed structure and the adjacent existing overhead and underground electrical distribution system violates the any of applicable standards, acts or codes referenced, the customer will be responsible for 100% of Alectra's cost for any relocation work.

#### References:

- Ontario Electrical Safety Code, latest edition (Clearance of Conductors from Buildings)
- Ontario Health and Safety Act, latest edition (Construction Protection)
- Ontario Building Code, latest edition (Clearance to Buildings)
- PowerStream (Construction Standard 03-1, 03-4), attached
- Canadian Standards Association, latest edition (Basic Clearances)

If more information is required, please contact either of the following:

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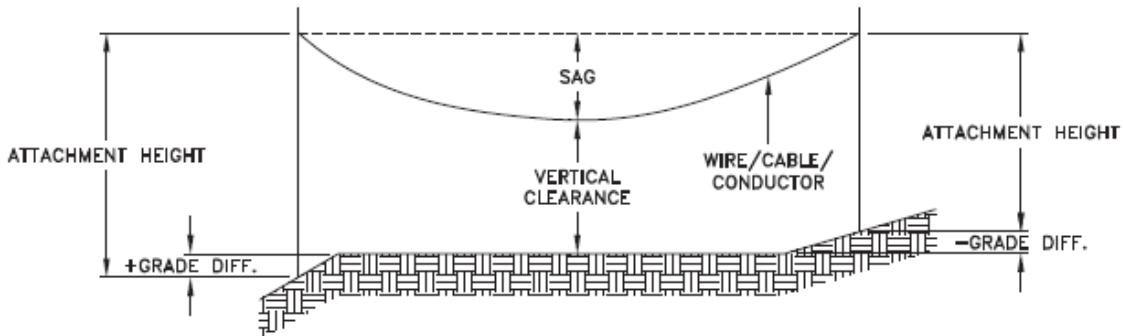
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LOCATION OF WIRES, CABLES OR CONDUCTORS	SYSTEM VOLTAGE			
	SPAN GUYS AND COMMUNICATIONS WIRES	UP TO 600V AND NEUTRAL	4.16/2.4kV TO 27.6/16kV (SEE NOTE 1)	44kV
	MINIMUM VERTICAL CLEARANCES (SEE NOTE 2)			
OVER OR ALONGSIDE ROADS, DRIVEWAYS OR LANDS ACCESSIBLE TO VEHICLES	442cm	442cm	480cm	520cm
OVER GROUND ACCESSIBLE TO PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLES ONLY	250cm	310cm	340cm	370cm
ABOVE TOP OF RAIL AT RAILWAY CROSSINGS	730cm	730cm	760cm	810cm



MINIMUM ATTACHMENT HEIGHT = MAXIMUM SAG  
 + MINIMUM VERTICAL CLEARANCE (FROM ABOVE TABLE)  
 ± GRADE DIFFERENCE  
 + 0.3m (VEHICLE OR RAILWAY LOCATION)  
 + SNOW DEPTH (PEDESTRIAN LOCATION, SEE NOTE 3)

**NOTES:**

1. THE MULTIGROUNDED SYSTEM NEUTRAL HAS THE SAME CLEARANCE AS THE 600V SYSTEM.
2. THE VERTICAL CLEARANCES IN THE ABOVE TABLE ARE UNDER MAXIMUM SAG CONDITIONS.
3. REFER TO CSA STANDARD C22.3 No.1, ANNEX D FOR LOCAL SNOW DEPTH VALUES.
4. ALL CLEARANCES ARE IN ACCORDANCE TO CSA STANDARD C22.3.

METRIC	IMPERIAL (APPROX)
810cm	27'-0"
760cm	25'-4"
730cm	24'-4"
520cm	17'-4"
480cm	16'-0"
442cm	15'-5"
370cm	12'-4"
340cm	11'-4"
310cm	10'-4"
250cm	8'-4"

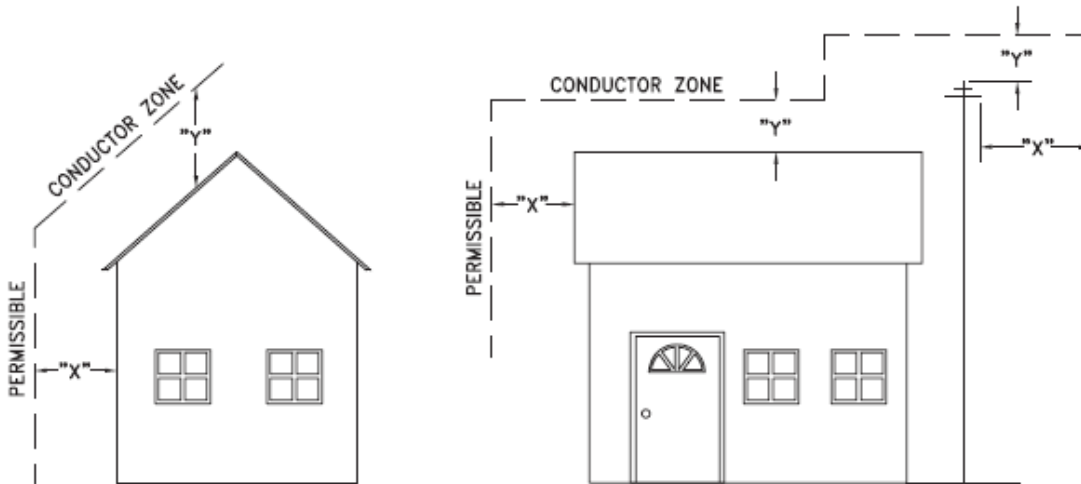
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**MINIMUM VERTICAL CLEARANCES OF WIRES, CABLES AND CONDUCTORS ABOVE GROUND OR RAILS**

ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE: 2010-DEC-24 REVISION NO: R1 REVISION DATE: 2012-JAN-09

This construction Standard meets the safety requirements of Section 4 of Regulation 22/04	
Joe Crozier, P.Eng.	2012-JAN-09
Name	Date
P.Eng. Approval By:	Joe Crozier





VOLTAGE	MINIMUM HORIZONTAL CLEARANCE UNDER MAXIMUM SWING CONDITIONS DIMENSION "X" (SEE NOTES 1, 3 & 4)	MINIMUM VERTICAL CLEARANCE UNDER MAXIMUM DESIGN SAG CONDITIONS DIMENSION "Y" (SEE NOTES 1, 2, 4 & 5)
0-600V AND NEUTRAL	100cm	250cm
4.16/2.4 TO 44kV	300cm	480cm

**NOTES**

1. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL A CONDUCTOR BE PERMITTED TO PENETRATE THE ENVELOPE SHOWN BY THE DOTTED LINE.
2. THE VERTICAL CLEARANCES ARE UNDER CONDITIONS OF MAXIMUM DESIGN SAG.
3. THE HORIZONTAL CLEARANCES ARE UNDER CONDITIONS OF MAXIMUM SWING. WHERE THE CONDUCTOR SWING IS NOT KNOWN A HORIZONTAL CLEARANCE OF 480CM SHALL BE USED.
4. BUILDINGS THAT EXCEED 3 STOREYS OR 15M IN HEIGHT, THE MINIMUM HORIZONTAL CLEARANCE OF THE SECONDARY CONDUCTORS SHOULD BE INCREASED TO 300cm WHERE IT IS NECESSARY TO ALLOW FOR THE RAISING OF LADDERS BY LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS.
5. IN SITUATIONS SUCH AS MULTI-LEVEL GARAGES, WHERE ROOFS ARE NORMALLY USED BY PERSONS AND VEHICLES, THE VERTICAL CLEARANCES OF POWERSTREAM STANDARD 03-1 SHALL APPLY.
6. DISTRIBUTION LINES CONSTRUCTED NEAR BUILDINGS SHALL BE BUILT TO AVOID OVERHANG WHEREVER POSSIBLE. WHERE LINES MUST BE CONSTRUCTED OVER OR ADJACENT TO BUILDINGS THE APPLICABLE HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL CLEARANCES SHALL BE AT CONDITIONS OF MAXIMUM CONDUCTOR SWING AND MAXIMUM SAG. THE ABOVE CLEARANCES ARE DESIGNED TO PREVENT PERSONS ON OR IN BUILDINGS AS WELL AS EXTERNAL MACHINERY USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A BUILDING TO COME IN CONTACT WITH CONDUCTORS. EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO INCREASE THESE CLEARANCES WHERE POSSIBLE.
7. ALL CLEARANCES ARE IN ACCORDANCE TO CSA C22.3 NO.1-06 (TABLE-9).

CONVERSION TABLE	
METRIC	IMPERIAL (APPROX)
480cm	16'-0"
300cm	10'-0"
250cm	8'-4"
100cm	3'-4"

**MINIMUM VERTICAL & HORIZONTAL CLEARANCES OF CONDUCTORS FROM BUILDINGS OR OTHER PERMANENT STRUCTURES (CONDUCTORS NOT ATTACHED TO BUILDINGS)**

Certificate of Approval	
This construction Standard meets the safety requirements of Section 4 of Regulation 22/04	
Debbie Dadwani, P.Eng.	2010-MAY-05
Name	Date
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## SCHEDULE C: PUBLIC & APPLICANT CORRESPONDENCE

### PUBLIC & APPLICANT CORRESPONDENCE (SEE SCHEDULE C)

All personal information collected because of this public meeting (including both written and oral submissions) is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act, the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA), the Planning Act and all other relevant legislation, and will be used to assist in deciding on this matter. All personal information (as defined by MFIPPA), including (but not limited to) names, addresses, opinions and comments collected will become property of the City of Vaughan, will be made available for public disclosure (including being posted on the internet) and will be used to assist the Committee of Adjustment and staff to process this application.

Correspondence Type	Name	Address	Date Received <small>(mm/dd/yyyy)</small>	Summary
Applicant			08/27/2024	Planning Justification Report
Public	Michelle Jorge		08/07/2024	Letter of Concern/Objection
Public	Not Provided	Not Provided	08/28/2024	Letter of Concern/Objection
Public	Franca Porretta on behalf of all opposing residents as per petitions	See Petition	09/03/2024	Letter of Concern/Objection with Petition



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*By Christine Vigneault at 12:51 pm, Aug 27, 2024*

## Committee of Adjustment Justification Report 50 Pine Ridge Ave, Woodbridge, ON L4L 2H9

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### Subject Lands Description

The subject property is located at 50 Pine Ridge Ave, Woodbridge Ontario. 50 Pine Ridge is a single storey single family home with a rear yard tennis court located on the West side of Pine Ridge Avenue. The lot is currently zoned as R3 - third density residential with a frontage of 30.42m, and a total lot area of 2318sqm. The 30.42m lot frontage is considered twice as large compared to the adjacent lots in this designation. The property is legally described as Lot 14, Registered Plan M-1114, City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York.

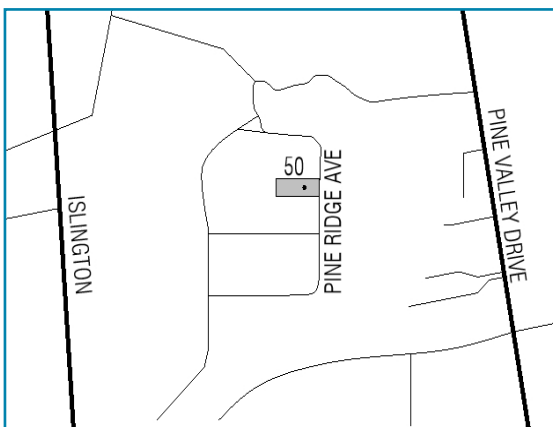


Fig. 1 – Context map - Gray region indicates the subject lands location in the neighborhood

### Neighborhood Description

The dwelling is located in Woodbridge between Woodview Road and Birch Hill Road in the Pine Valley Neighborhood. The Pine Valley Neighborhood is predominantly two-storey detached single family dwellings. The area is experiencing urban renewal and infill developments with several examples in proximity to the subject property. The community has an eclectic mix of architecture styles both built and renovated at different times contributing to the architecture character of the neighborhood.



### **Official Plan & Official By-Law**

The proposal for 50 Pine Ridge Ave will create two new lots by Consent and the existing home and tennis court would be demolished in favor of two new single family dwellings. The intent is to provide housing that meet the needs of modern families including secondary suites in each home providing needed rental space for Woodbridge residents consistent with the Official Plan and Province's goals. The proposal will accommodate 1 parking space for each secondary suite and a double car garage for the principal suite.

The subject property is designated as R3(EN) - third density residential (Established Neighborhood). The permitted uses for the lands are residential detached dwellings. The proposed land use and proposed built-form can comply fully with what is permitted in the By-law. The current designs do seek relief for 4 variances on each newly created lot. 2 variances for side yard setbacks and 1 for each secondary suite size.

Table A provides detail and analysis of the zoning requirements and the proposed dwelling. A minor variance is required to permit this proposal.



Table A - Zoning By-law 001-2021 Requirements and Proposed Development

	Zoning Standard	Required	Proposed
1	Max. Lot Coverage	50%	39.1%
2	Min. Front Yard Setback	4.5 m	5.52 m
3	Min. Interior Side Yard Setbacks (N & S)	1.2 m	N: 1m S: 1m
4	Max. Height	9.5 m	8.42
5	Min. Front Yard Soft Landscaping	33%	72.5%
6	Secondary Suite Size	45% of Primary Suite	Second Suite 1: 66% Second Suite 2: 54%

### Planning Justification

A Minor Variance and Consent application has been submitted to sever the lot and permit construction on the severed and retained lots. The proposal requires relief of zoning provisions for the following items:

City of Toronto Zoning By-law no. 569-2013

1 & 2. Section 7.2.3, Table 7-4].

Minimum interior side yard setbacks of 1.2m are required

- Both proposed setbacks are 1m.

3 & 4. Section 5.21.7

The maximum gross floor area of a secondary suite shall not exceed 45% of the total gross floor area of the principal

- The proposed secondary suite 2 is 66.6%.
- The proposed secondary suite 3 is 54.5%.



### Planning Justification Cont.

Mainline Planning Services (hereby referred to as "Mainline") was hired to review the application and their report was circulated as part of our consent application B008/24 and minor variance applications A115/24 and A116/24. Their report is attached after this report. Supporting quotations have been highlighted in blue with a synopsis quoted below;

"The consent proposal (creating 2 new lots from the subject property) is justified as good planning in accordance with provincial and municipal policy." (Page 1, Mainline Report)

The proposed new lots conform in size and shape to the in-force By-law's minimum lot standard and "based on (Mainline's) policy review, the proposed consent and variances together represents good and responsible planning and deserve the approval of the Committee of Adjustment." (Page 3, Mainline Report)

Further, "The proposal is appropriate development and is consistent with the PPS... conforms with Growth Plan objectives.... conforms with York Regional Official Plan as intensification through infill development is encouraged" (Page 22, Mainline Report) and "conforms with the Vaughan Official Plan and the Woodbridge Centre Secondary Plan as the proposal will result in infilling that economizes the use of land by creating two (2) new lots for homes that are appropriate and in character with the existing pattern of development in the surrounding community" (Page 23, Mainline Report). Ultimately concluding the proposed Consent and supporting Minor-variance Application(s) is good planning.



VARIANCE 1 & 2:

7.2.3, [Table 7-4] - SIDE YARD SETBACK

Our proposal accommodates a full 5.8m driveway and two separate entrances to units 1 on the ground floor and units 2 & 3 on the second floor. Zoning relief is needed to support a 0.2m reduction in the By-law's interior north and south side-yard setback.

The North and South setback (Lot A) variances support the 5.8m driveway and garage. An earlier version of the building had a no setback variance to the north, and a 0.4m encroachment to the south.

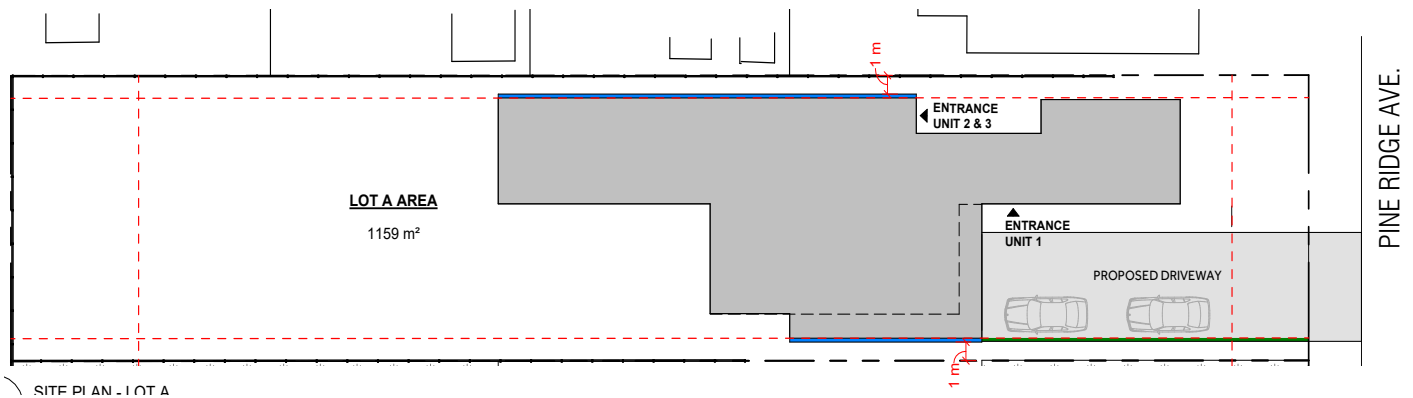


Fig. 2a – Proposed 1m Setbacks (0.2m encroachments)

When consulting our planner it was noted a 0.8m setback would not be sufficient for servicing on the south, and the building was shifted up, splitting the encroachment between both north, and south.

The rationale for the reduced setbacks are to provide practical parking from the onset of the development, supporting the primary and secondary suites that family sized vehicles can occupy. Many developments simply look to satisfy the minimum parking requirement and do not plan for specific use cases. This can result in paved over front lawns and over



parking impacting the street view and soft landscaping. We have placed the garage at a depth and width to address this. If the parking criteria was less restrictive this design could feasibly be shifted and re centered and would comply with the municipal setbacks our solution is supported by.

To further outline the sensitivity in the design to the setback, the livable area on the second floor above the garage has been set back 2.5m from the south property line. The professional opinion of Mainline that the proposed variance is good planning.

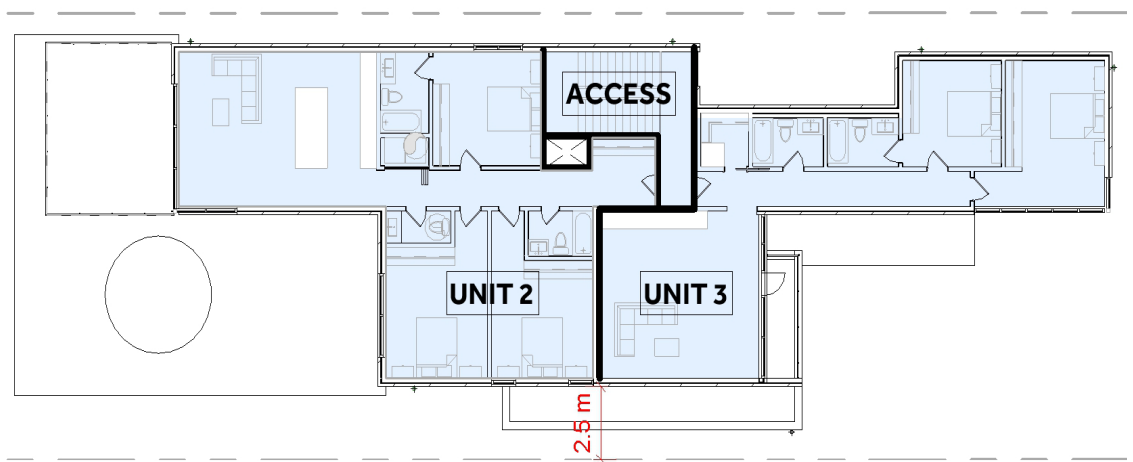


Fig. 2b – Second floor setback from south property line

It is our opinion and the opinion of Mainline that this variance passes all four tests of the subsection 45(1) of the planning act and is supported by Mainline as described on Page 26 of their report as the general intent of the official plan and the zoning by-law is maintained.





#### VARIANCE 3 & 4:

##### 5.21.7 AND PROVINCIAL BILL 23 - SECONDARY SUITE SIZE

Provincial Bill 23 amended the City's Official Plan and Zoning By-law to allow construction of two secondary suites as in a single family home. To accommodate two secondary suites the most efficient use of space is to locate them on the second floor or basement - superimposed above or below the primary suite floor level. This was our approach to minimize lot coverage which we are at 35% of 50%. Our second floor footprint is in fact smaller than the ground floor when including the garage.

From a design perspective, while provincial Bill 23 allows for a second secondary suite, it does not amend the maximum allowed floor area of 45% of the primary suite. When applying two secondary suites above a primary suite, the permitted area is smaller. We believe this is an unintended consequence as it is most efficient to align structural elements of the second floor when designing a cost effective dwelling. The bylaw is ownerous in this regard from a cost perspective to our client and counter to providing family rental opportunities to the community.

Our proposal accommodates a two bedroom and three bedroom secondary suite located on the second floor accessed by a separate dedicated entrance, staircase and corridor. Each suite has two bathrooms, private laundry and private parking to support a standard of living common in the adjacent homes and community, consistent with the neighborhood family demographic.

Typically secondary suites do not have interior staircases supporting them and have access located on the outside as a walkout condition subjected to weather and other negative factors. These are most



commonly seen in renovations or additions and exterior access does not get calculated as part of floor area. Because we are designing a new construction we are able to provide better suite access, addressing issues of weather, security and autonomy. The floor space of the separate dedicated entrance, staircase and corridor for this proposal is attributed to the secondary suite size. To facilitate this, we are requesting zoning relief.

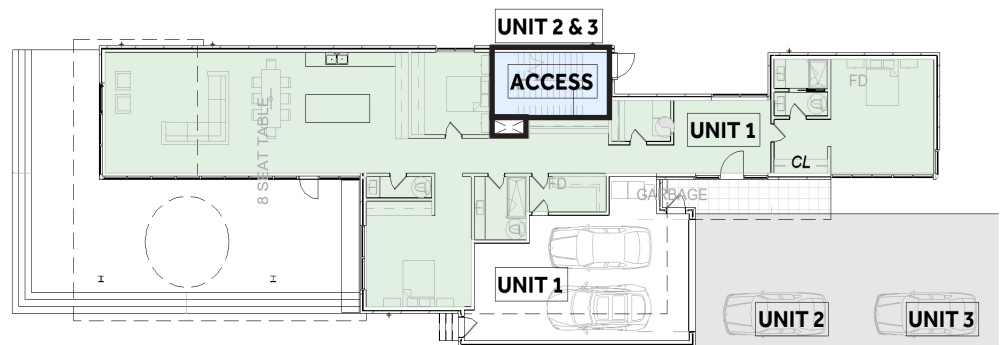


Fig. 3 – Ground Floor, Primary Suite area (green)

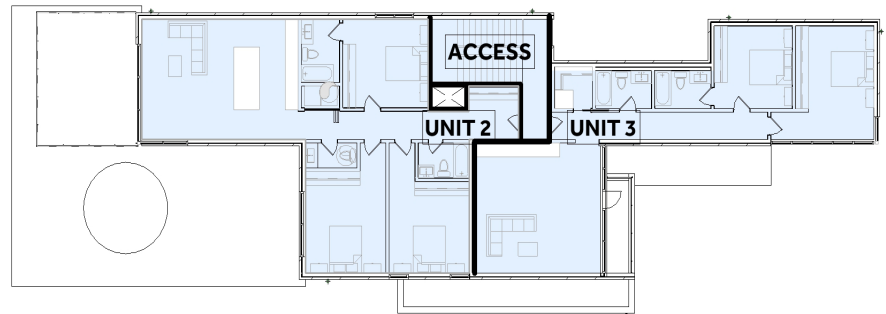


Fig. 4 – Second Floor, Secondary Suites (blue)

It is our opinion and the opinion of Mainline variance passes all four tests of the subsection 45(1) of the planning act and is supported by Mainline as described on Pages 2 and 3 of their report as the general intent of the official plan and the zoning by-law is maintained.



### Conclusion

This is our opinion that the evidence contained within this report and supporting planning report proves that the requested variances pass each of the four tests required under Subsection 45(1) of the Planning Act.

#### TEST 1

THE GENERAL INTENT OF THE OFFICIAL PLAN  
IS MAINTAINED:

The proposal is in keeping with the intent of the Official Plan. The intent of the proposal is to update the subject property to contemporary dwelling standards. The proposal is similar in size to many other new construction homes in the neighborhood, is consistent with the city's Official Plan to intensify and improve buildings in existing neighborhoods, and maintains land use designations.

#### TEST 2

THE GENERAL INTENT OF THE ZONING BY-  
LAW IS MAINTAINED:

The proposal is in keeping with the intent of the City of Toronto By-laws in effect. The required variances are only proposed where it is functionally necessary. The variances do not represent significant departures from the regulations of the zoning by-law and are consistent with the intent and purpose of the by-law.

#### TEST 3

THE VARIANCE IS MINOR:

The variances are minor in nature and where applicable are supported by previously accepted variances. The proposed variances do not impede the function of the by-laws, nor do they negatively impact the neighborhood, and should thus be considered minor.

#### TEST 4

THE VARIANCE IS DESIRABLE:

The variances are desirable because it will produce a proposal that is similar to and compatible with other dwellings in the community. The proposed detached dwelling is respectful of the existing site, and is comparable in scale to the other dwellings in the neighborhood.

June 25, 2024

FRANKFRANCO ARCHITECTS  
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Vaughan, ON L3L 0B3

Attention: Theo Bulzan

**Re: Planning Opinion - Proposed Consent and Minor Variances – Secondary Suite Proposal. 50 Pine Ridge Avenue.**

**The Proposal**

Pursuant to your email dated May 1, 2024, we are informed that in addition to a consent creating 2 new lots and 2 new single-family homes, 'your client wishes to ADD 2 rental secondary suites ('accessory suites') on the second floor of each home'. In this scenario there would be a total of 3 dwelling units per home – one principal dwelling on the main floor and two secondary suites on the second floor. [see Attachment 1 – Architectural Drawing Set]

**Executive Summary:**

Planning Opinion:

**The Consent Application**

It is my considered and professional planning opinion that the consent proposal (creating 2 new lots from the subject property) is justified as good planning and in accordance with provincial and municipal policy as discussed in our opinion letter dated April 25, 2023. [see Attachment 2] It is important to note that the proposed new lots conform in size and shape to the in-force By-law's minimum lot standard.

**Secondary Units**

It is my considered and professional planning opinion that Provincial Bill 23 amended the City's Official Plan and Zoning By-law to allow up to 2 secondary dwelling units in single family homes with no minimum area and one parking space per dwelling unit.

**The New Homes**

It is my considered and professional planning opinion that the proposed variances are minor for the use of land and homes and satisfy the four tests required by Section 45(1) of the Planning Act.

**The Proposed Variances**

The following variances ('proposal') are required to allow the construction of homes as proposed in the attached Architectural Drawing Set. [see Attachment 1]

- ✓ A variance is needed to permit a 1.0m side-yard setback whereas a minimum 1.2m setback is required.
- ✓ A variance is needed to permit a secondary suite that is 60% of the area of the primary dwelling unit's GFA; whereas the maximum is 45%.

**The Four Tests**

1. The Proposal Maintains the General Intent and Purpose of the Official Plan

- ✓ Pursuant to OP policy 7.5.1.5.b.ii, only one secondary suite unit is allowed in each eligible house.
- ✓ This policy is amended by Bill 23 to permit 2 secondary suites per home.

**Bill 23**

Subsection 16 (3) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted:

- ✓ (3) ***"No official plan may contain any policy that has the effect of prohibiting the use of ... three residential units in a detached house, ...if no building or structure ancillary to the detached house... contains any residential units"***
  - (.1) ***"No official plan may contain any policy that has the effect of requiring more than one parking space to be provided and maintained in connection with a residential unit referred to in subsection (3)."***

- (.2) “No official plan may contain any policy that provides for a minimum floor area of a residential unit referred to in subsection (3).”
- (.3) “A policy in an official plan is of no effect to the extent that it contravenes a restriction described in subsection (3), (3.1), or (3.2).”
- ✓ Section 23 (2) states: “The Minister’s order has the same effect as an amendment to the plan adopted by the council and approved by the appropriate approval authority”.
- ✓ As such, It is my considered and professional planning opinion that **the proposal is compliant with the Official Plan.**

## 2. The Proposal Maintains the General Intent and Purpose of the Zoning By-law

By-law 001-2021 regulates the number and location of secondary suites in section 5.21 as follows.

- ✓ Policy 5.21.1 states... “A **maximum of one secondary suite per lot shall be permitted**”. [Amended by Bill 23]
- ✓ Policy 5.21.3 requires... “Parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of this By-law. For clarity, **the minimum parking requirements of this By-law shall apply to both the principal dwelling and the secondary suite**”. [Amended by Bill 23]
- ✓ Policy 5.21.4 informs... “A secondary suite shall only be permitted within a principal dwelling on a lot”. [Amended by Bill 23]
- ✓ Policy 5.21.7 regulates the maximum floor area of a secondary suite... “**The maximum gross floor area of a secondary suite shall not exceed 45% of the total gross floor area of the principal dwelling.**”
- ✓ Policy 5.21.8 regulates the minimum floor area of a secondary suite... “**The minimum gross floor area of a secondary suite shall be 35.0 m2.** [Amended by Bill 23]

Bill 23 has the affect of amending the zoning bylaw to permit the proposal as follows.

- ✓ **“Subsections 35.1 (1) and (2) of the Act is repealed and the following substituted:**
  - Restrictions for residential units  
(1) The authority to pass a by-law under section 34 does not include the authority to pass a by-law that prohibits the use of ... (b) **three residential units in a detached house**, ... if no building or structure ancillary to the detached house, semi-detached house or rowhouse contains any residential units...
  - Same, parking  
(1.1) The authority to pass a by-law under section 34 does not include the authority to pass a by-law requiring more than **one parking space to be provided and maintained in connection with a residential unit** referred to in subsection (1) of this section.
  - Same, minimum area  
(1.2) The authority to pass a by-law under section 34 **does not include** the authority to pass a by-law that regulates **the minimum floor area of a residential unit** referred to in subsection (1) of this section.
  - Provisions of no effect  
(1.3) A provision of a by-law passed under section 34 or an order made under subsection 34.1 (9) or clause 47 (1) (a) **is of no effect** to the extent that it contravenes a restriction described in subsection (1), (1.1) or (1.2) of this section.”
- ✓ As such, It is my considered and professional planning opinion that **the proposal maintains the intent and purpose of the zoning By-law.**

## 3. The Proposal is Desirable for the Appropriate Development of the Land, Building and Structure.

- ✓ It is my considered and professional planning opinion that the proposal is desirable as it will result in the construction of affordable housing through lot intensification within an existing residential community.

## 4. The Variances are Minor in Nature.

It is my considered and professional planning opinion that **the proposed variances are minor in nature.** The reduced side yard is minimal, and the larger secondary suite is located on the second storey. As such, there can be no increase in adverse impact on adjacent properties that is not already considered by the By-law.

## **Conclusion**

It is my considered and professional opinion that:

- ✓ **The proposed consent is good planning** and will create 2 new lots that are permitted by the in-force By-law and encouraged by Provincial and Municipal policy.
- ✓ **The variances needed to construct the new homes meet the 4 tests under Section 45(1) of the Planning Act.**
- ✓ **The proposed variances are desirable for the orderly development of this property** and encouraged by provincial and municipal policy. The proposal will provide affordable housing: 2 homes for ownership and 4 secondary rental suites within an established community area, utilizing existing infrastructure with sufficient capacity to support intensification without expense to the taxpayer.
- ✓ **The proposed variances are minor** as the 0.2m reduction in the side yard setback is insignificant and the larger secondary suite will not affect the first-floor principle dwelling as they are located on the second floor.
- ✓ **The proposed variances will not cause an adverse impact on adjacent properties** that is not otherwise already contemplated by the By-law.

Based on our policy review, it is our considered and professional planning opinion that the proposed consent and variances together represents good and responsible planning and deserve the approval of the Committee of Adjustment. We trust that our comments are well received. Should you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [jplutino@mainlineplanning.com](mailto:jplutino@mainlineplanning.com) or 905.893.0046.

Sincerely,  
**mainline planning services inc.**

Joseph P. Plutino, MCIP, RPP

SITE STATISTICS  
50 PINE RIDGE AVE, WOODBRIDGE, ON  
LOT 14 REGISTERED PLAN H-1114  
CITY OF VAUGHAN, REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

ZONING DESIGNATION  
R3 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL  
R31EN1 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (ESTABLISHED NEIGHBOURHOOD)

LOT A and B AREA table with columns for area and values.

ZONING BY-LAW 1-88 & 00-2021 - LOT A

Table with columns: BY-LAW REQUIREMENT, ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 1-88, ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 001-2021, EXISTING, PROPOSED.

Table with columns: FRONT YARD (EAST), REAR YARD (WEST), INT. SIDE YARD (NORTH), INT. SIDE YARD (SOUTH).

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Table with columns: GFA TOTAL, GFA UNIT 1 (PRIMARY), GFA UNIT 2 (SECONDARY), GFA UNIT 3 (SECONDARY).

\* The lesser of: 4.5m or the existing front yard less 2.0m, but in no case shall the required min. front yard be less than 4.5m... \*\* The more restrictive of: 9.5m or the existing building height plus 3.0m\* \*\*\* Where the area of a rear yard of a lot is greater than 135sqm...

ZONING BY-LAW 1-88 & 00-2021 - LOT B R1

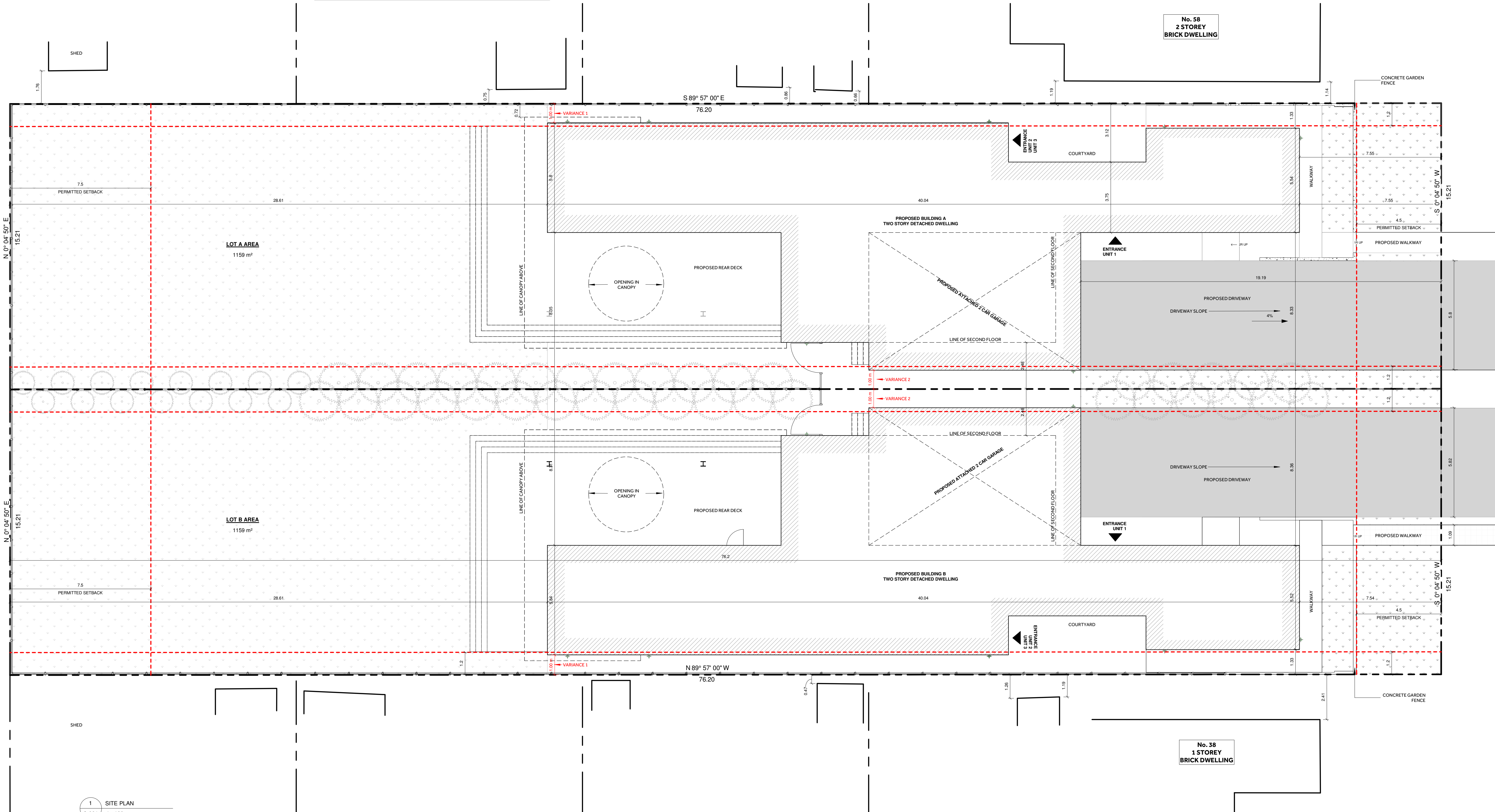
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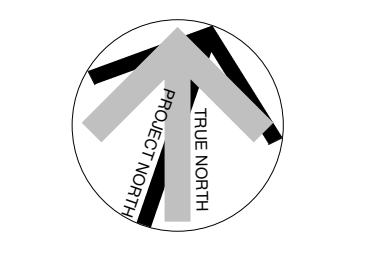
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SITE PLAN  
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SITE STATISTICS

50 PINE RIDGE AVE, WOODBRIDGE, ON  
LOT 1 A REGISTERED PLAN N-1114  
CITY OF VAUGHAN, REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK

ZONING DESIGNATION  
R3 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL  
RE3EN1 - THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (ESTABLISHED NEIGHBOURHOOD)

LOT A and B AREA

1159 m <sup>2</sup>	1159.00 m <sup>2</sup>
1159 m <sup>2</sup>	1159.00 m <sup>2</sup>

ZONING BY-LAW 1-88 & 00-2021 - LOT A

BY-LAW REQUIREMENT	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 1-88	ALLOWED UNDER BY-LAW 001-2021	EXISTING	PROPOSED
LOT AREA	360 m <sup>2</sup>	315 m <sup>2</sup>	2316 m <sup>2</sup>	1159 m <sup>2</sup>
LOT FRONTAGE	12 m	12 m	30.42 m	15.21 m
LOT DEPTH	N/A	N/A	76.2 m	76.2 m
MAX. LOT COVERAGE	40%	50%	15.03 %	39.1%

FRONT YARD (EAST)	4.5 m	4.5 m*	9.8 m	7.54 m
REAR YARD (WEST)	7.5 m	6.0 m	57.6 m	28.61 m
INT. SIDE YARD (NORTH)	1.2 m	1.2 m	7.57 m	1.0 m
INT. SIDE YARD (SOUTH)	1.2 m	1.2 m	1.0 m	1.0 m

HEIGHT	9.5 m	9.5 m**	-	8.42 m
MIN. LANDSCAPE OF FRONT YARD (L1)	50%	-	-	66%
MIN. SOFT LANDSCAPE OF FRONT YARD	60% OF L1	33%	-	72.5%
MIN. LANDSCAPE OF REAR YARD	60%***	60%***	-	100%
DRIVEWAY WIDTH	6.0 m	-	-	5.8 m

GFA TOTAL	-	-	-	476.6m <sup>2</sup>
GFA UNIT 1 (PRIMARY)	-	-	-	215.5m <sup>2</sup> (100%)
GFA UNIT 2 (SECONDARY)	-	45% MAX	-	125m <sup>2</sup> (58.5%)
GFA UNIT 3 (SECONDARY)	-	45% MAX	-	96.1m <sup>2</sup> (44%)

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4.5m or the existing front yard less 2.0m, but in no case shall the required min. front yard be less than 4.5m  
5.7m setback to private garage

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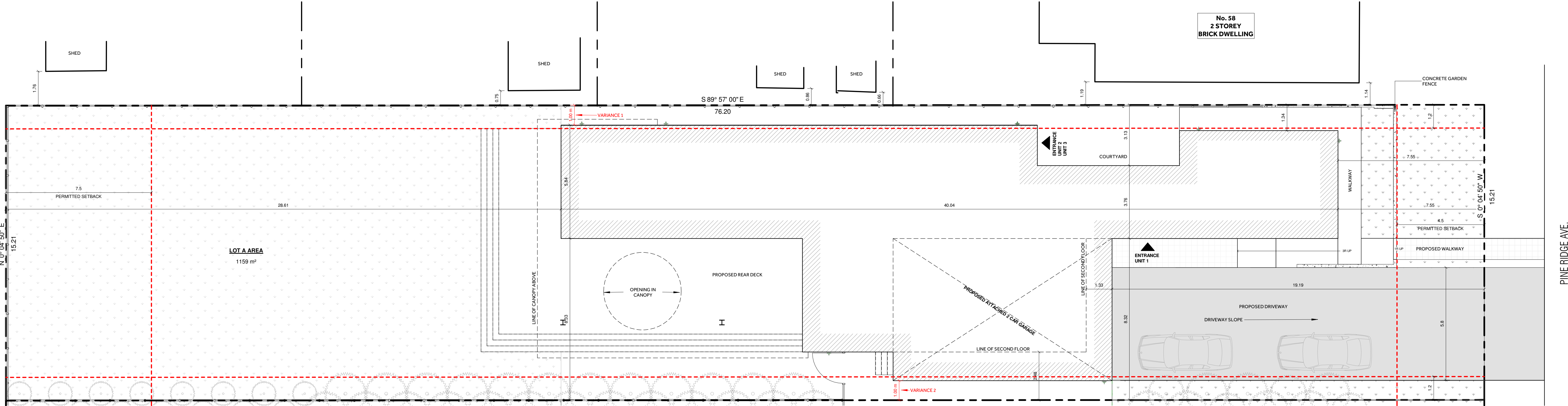
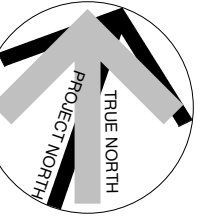
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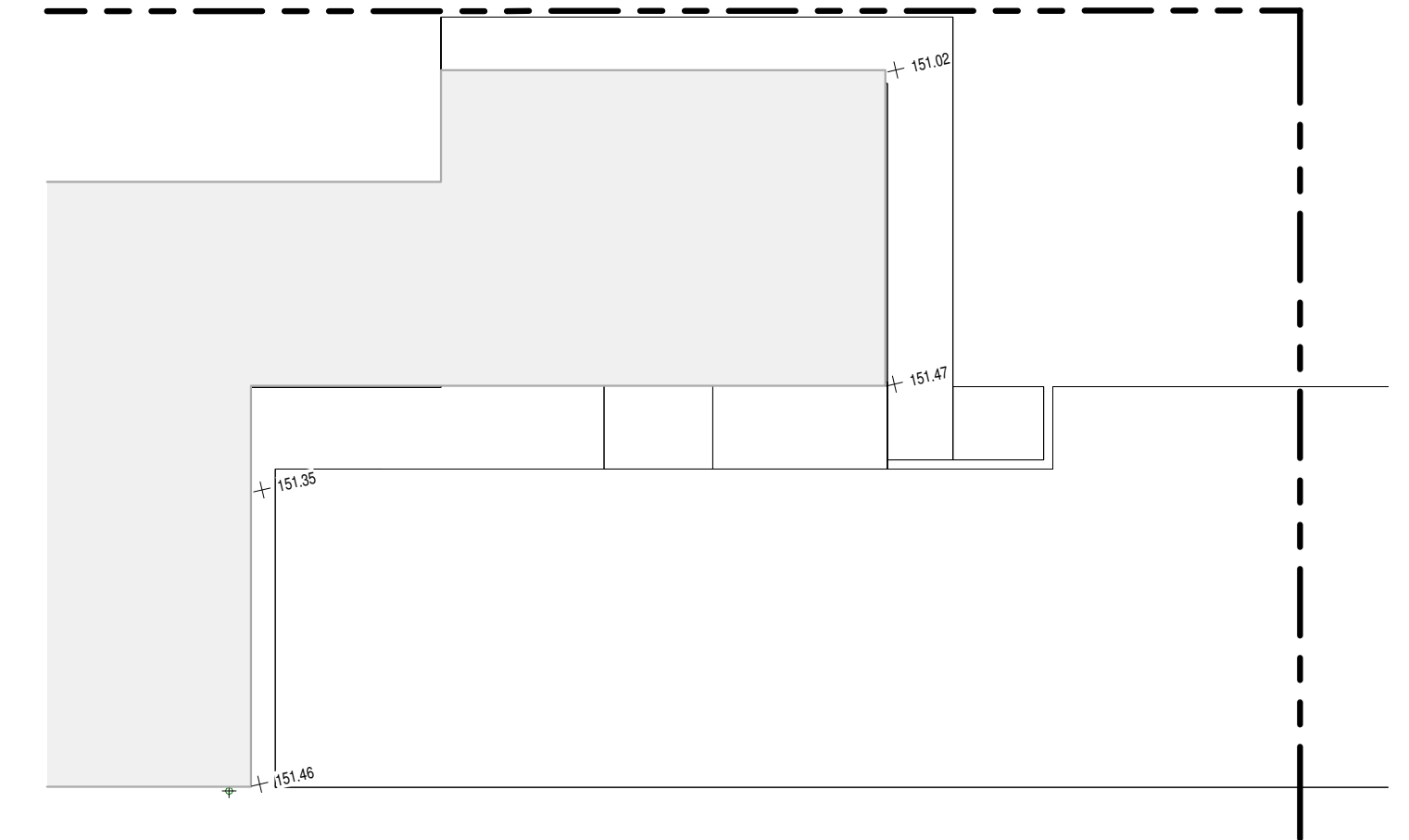
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1 SITE PLAN - LOT A  
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2 ESTABLISHED GRADE - LOT A  
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ESTABLISHED GRADE @ FRONT WALL OF DWELLING  
(151.02 + 151.47 + 151.35 + 151.46) / 4 = 151.325



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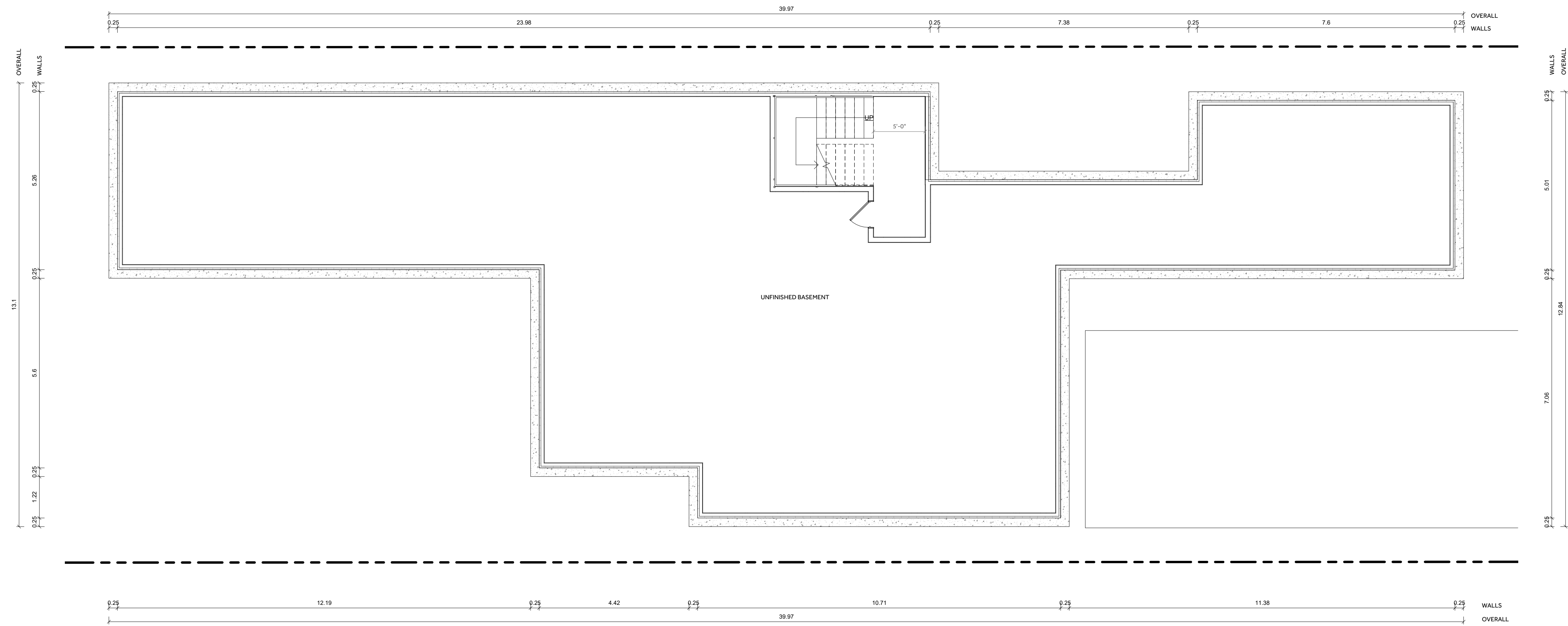
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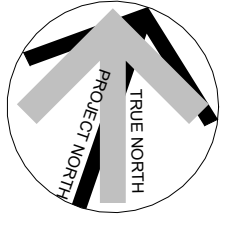
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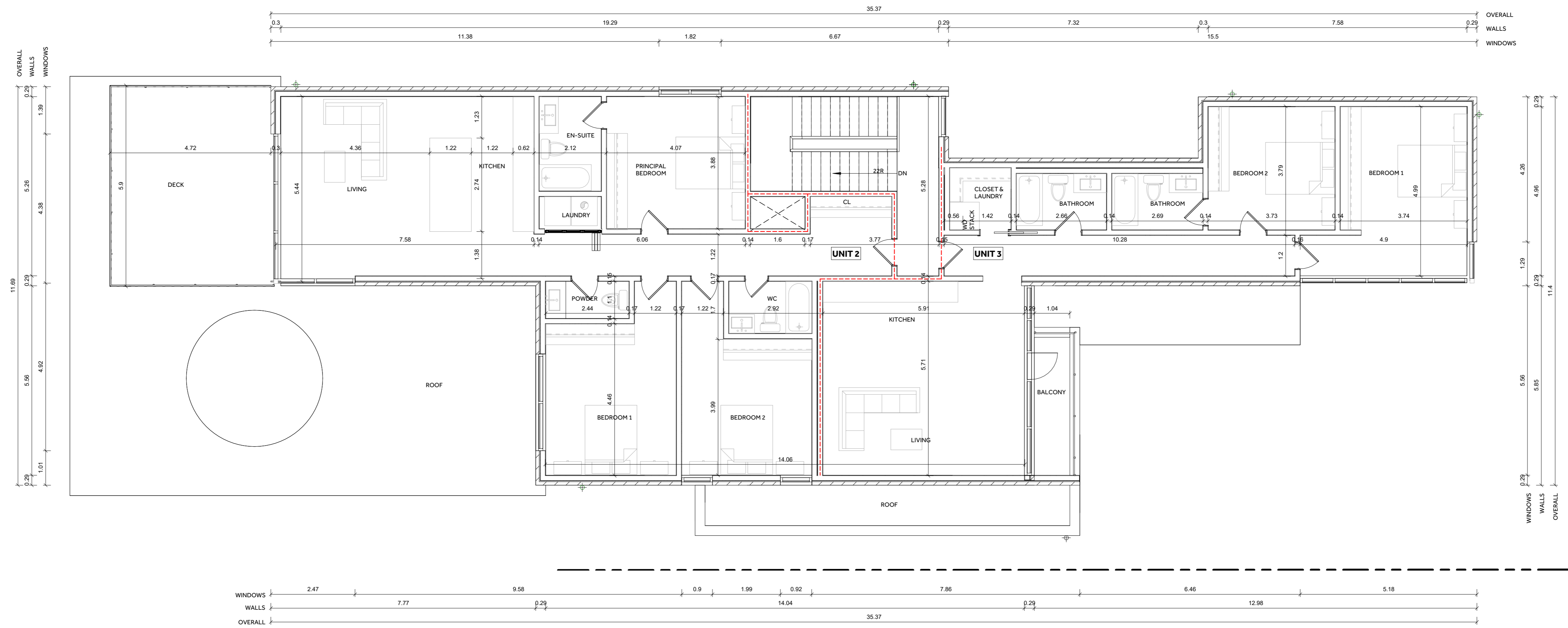
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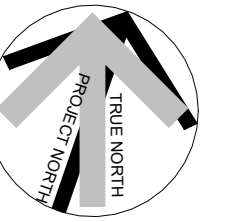
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FLOOR AREA  
UNIT 2: 125m<sup>2</sup>  
UNIT 3: 96.1m<sup>2</sup> VARIANCE 3

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SECOND FLOOR PLAN  
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Attention: Sara Ruffolo

**Re: Planning Opinion - Proposed Consent (Lot Creation) and Variance Applications. 50 Pine Ridge Avenue.**

**Executive Summary:**

A consent application is proposed to create 2 new single-family dwelling lots at the above referenced property. [see Figure 1: Site Plan]

A minor variance application is needed to allow the construction of homes within 1.0m in the interior side-yard setback of each new lot whereas the By-law requires a 1.2m setback.

**It is our considered and professional planning opinion that the consent and minor variance applications ('the proposal') represent good planning for the following reasons.**

**Consent to Create 2 New Lots:**

- ✓ In this case, the subject lot is oversized and once subdivided will provide two new lots that conform in size and area to the minimum requirement of the By-law.
- ✓ The subject property is located in an urbanized residential area and has frontage on a fully serviced municipal road.
- ✓ A plan of subdivision is not necessary for the proper and orderly development of the municipality and therefore, in accordance with section 51(3) of the Planning Act, the approval authority may grant the proposed consent.
- ✓ The consent will create two new residential lots from one oversized lot. Intensification in existing urban residential areas is a form of development that is promoted and consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.
- ✓ The consent will create two new residential lots from one oversized lot. Urban intensification is encouraged the province and does not conflict with the Provincial Growth Plan.
- ✓ The consent will result in development that conforms with the Official Plan and the Zoning By-law.

**Minor Variance to Interior Side-yard Setback:**

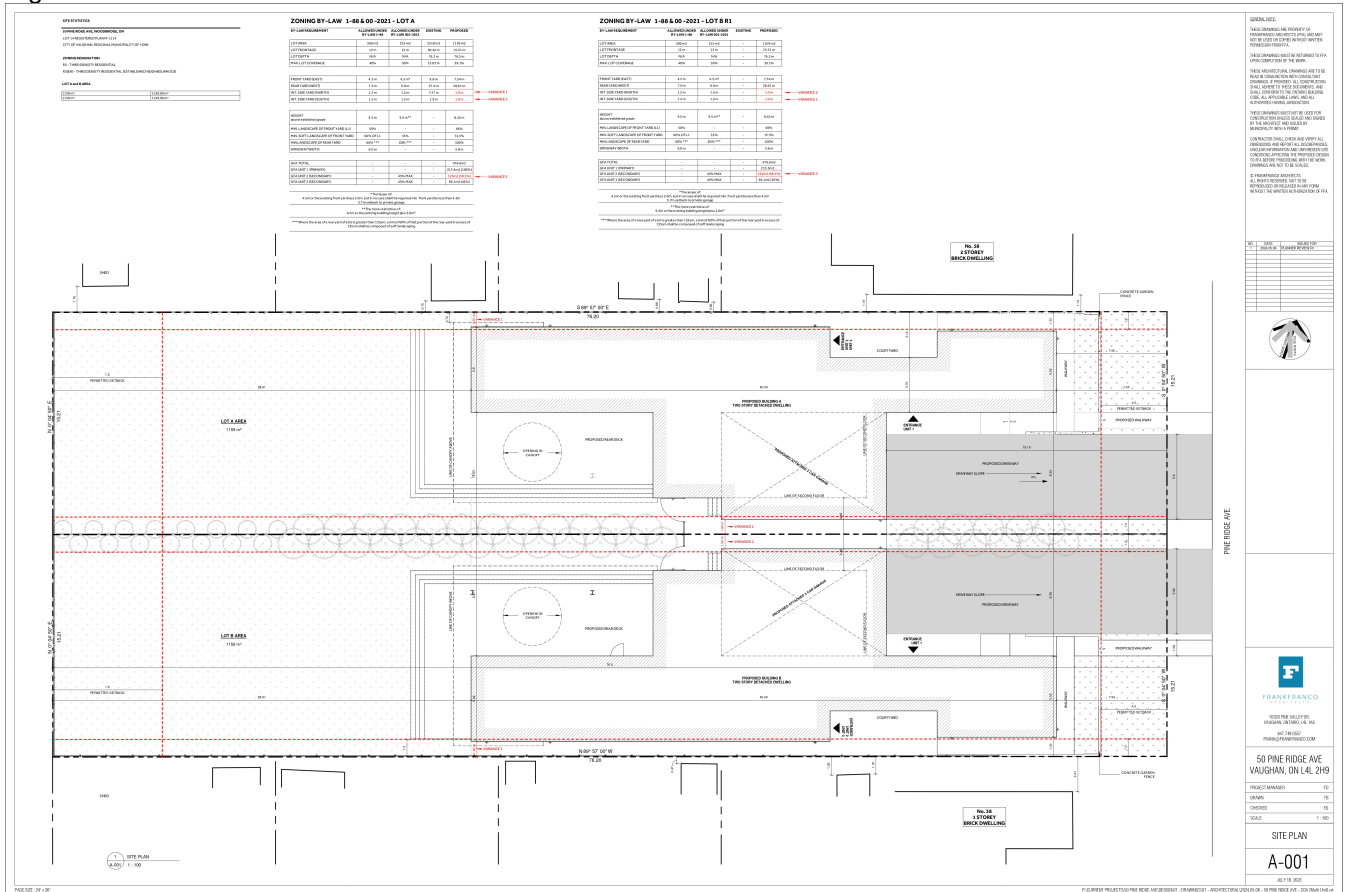
- ✓ Meets the 4 tests pursuant to Section 45(1) of the Planning Act.
  - Tests 1, 2 - Conforms with the general intent and purpose of both the Official Plan and Zoning By-law.
  - Test 3 - Is desirable and appropriate for the development of land and structures.
  - Test 4 - Is minor as the reduction in side-yard setback by 0.2m will not create an adverse impact on adjacent homes or property that is not otherwise contemplated in the bylaw.

**The Planning Merits:**

In considering this matter, we undertook an analysis of the existing site condition and determined that the following issues are relevant for the Committee to support a consent and variance application.

- ✓ In considering the consent, is a plan of subdivision necessary for the orderly development of the city?
- ✓ Will the Consent decision result in development that is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement?
- ✓ Will the Consent decision result in development that conforms with Provincial Plans?
- ✓ Will the Consent decision result in development that conforms with the Township Official Plan?
- ✓ Is a 0.2m reduction in the interior side-yard setback minor to support the development of a single-family home?

Figure 1: Site Plan



**Background**

Location:

The subject property is a developed single-family residential lot that is 2,329 sm in area at municipal address 50 Pine Ridge Ave. The lot is more precisely located on the west side of Pine Ridge Avenue, midway between Woodview Road and Birch Hill Road within the Pine Valley Neighborhood. The property is legally described as *Lot 14, Registered Plan M-1114, City of Vaughan, Regional Municipality of York*.

Existing /Proposed Development:

The Pine Valley Neighborhood is in transition. Urban intensification and urban renewal by way of infilling is common in this neighbourhood with several examples in vicinity of the subject property. The subject property is a double wide lot that contains an existing single-family detached dwelling. The proposal will create two new lots by Consent and the existing home would be demolished in favor of two new homes.





The following policies are helpful in forming our planning opinion.

- The PPS defines intensification to include the creation of 'infill lots'. [see Exhibit 2]
- Pursuant to Section 3(5)(a) of the *Planning Act*, the decision by an approval authority respecting a planning matter, including a consent, "*shall be consistent with the provincial policy statements ...that are in effect on the date of the decision*". [see Exhibit 3]
- The PPS states that "*Planning authorities are encouraged to permit ... residential intensification, to respond to current and future needs. Efficient development patterns optimize the use of land, resources and public investments in infrastructure and public service facilities.*" [see Exhibit 14]
- Consistent with PPS policy 1.1.1a) and 1.1.1e), the consent will create two new lots and homes where there is currently one home promoting a more efficient land use pattern that minimizes land consumption and is sustained by existing service infrastructure so there is no additional cost to the municipality or the province. [see Exhibit 4]
- Consistent with PPS policies 1.1.3.1, 1.1.3.2, 1.1.3.3, and 1.1.3.4, the consent affects a lot that is located in an urbanized neighbourhood in Vaughan where intensification is intended by the Province to occur. The policies state that "*Settlement areas shall be the focus of growth and development*" and "*Land use patterns within settlement areas shall...a) efficiently use land and resources; b) are appropriate for, and efficiently use, the infrastructure and public service facilities which are planned or available, and avoid the need for their unjustified and/or uneconomical expansion.*" Further, they encourage "*intensification, redevelopment and compact form.*" [see Exhibit 4]
- PPS policy 1.4.3b), e) and f) is a Provincial initiative that support intensification in settlement areas including infill lot creation by consent to facilitate compact and sustainable communities. [see Exhibit 5]

In conclusion, it is our considered and professional planning opinion that the proposal is appropriate development and is consistent with the PPS.

#### A Place to Grow: Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2019 (Amended August 2020) ("Growth Plan"):

Prepared under the *Places to Grow Act, 2005*, the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, 2019, as amended ('Growth Plan'), is a policy document that implements the Government of Ontario's vision for controlled growth of existing urban areas.

The following policies are helpful in forming our planning opinion.

- The Growth Plan is in effect. Pursuant to Section 3(5)(b) of the *Planning Act*, the decision by an approval authority respecting a planning matter, including a consent, "*shall conform with the provincial plans that are in effect on that date, or shall not conflict with them as the case may be*". [see Exhibit 3]
- The creation of infill lots within subdivisions is supported by provincial policy and the Growth Plan... "*Better use of land and infrastructure can be made by directing growth to settlement areas and prioritizing intensification.*" [see Exhibit 6 – page 2]
- The Growth Plan defines intensification to include the creation of infill lots. [see Exhibit 7]

Based on our review, it is our considered and professional planning opinion that the proposal conforms with Growth Plan objectives.

#### York Region Official Plan ("Regional OP"):

The subject property is designated 'Community Area' within the 'Urban Area' in the Regional OP. [see Exhibit 8 - Map 1A] With respect to our planning opinion concerning the proposal's conformity with the Regional OP, we offer that the following policies are helpful.

- Policy 4.4.10(d) provides that municipal intensification strategies apply to Community Areas "*...in accommodating additional residential units through gentle density ... in local infill.*" [see Exhibit 9]
- Policy 4.4.16 is a direction for the Region... "*To work with local municipalities to encourage integration of gentle density and a mix and range of housing options within the built boundary, where locally appropriate, through redevelopment of existing neighbourhoods.*" [see Exhibit 9 – page 2]

Based on our policy review, it is our considered and professional planning opinion that the proposal conforms with Regional Official Plan as intensification through infill development is encouraged.

City of Vaughan Official Plan (“OP”):

The subject property is designated ‘Low Rise Residential’ in the Woodbridge Centre Secondary Plan. [see Exhibit 10]

The following OP policies are helpful in formulating our planning opinion concerning this matter.

- OP Policy 2.2.3.3 states “*That limited intensification may be permitted in Community Areas ...The proposed development must be sensitive to and compatible with the character, form and planned function of the surrounding context*”. [see Exhibit 11]
- OP Policy 9.1.2.2 informs “*That in Established Community Areas, new development as reflected in any ... consent... will be designed to respect and reinforce the existing physical character and uses of the surrounding area...*”. [see Exhibit 12]
- OP Policy 10.1.2.38 states “*That a lot(s) may be created only if there is enough net developable area on both the severed lot and the remainder lot to accommodate proposed uses, buildings and structures and accessory uses without encroachment on the Natural Heritage Network.*” [see Exhibit 13]
- OP Policy 10.1.2.42 describes “*That a consent(s) to sever land in the Urban Area... will be considered for the purposes of infilling in an existing Urban Area..*” and that “***infilling which economizes the use of urban land without disturbing the existing pattern of development or perpetuating an undesirable pattern of development or prejudicing the layout of future development shall be considered acceptable;***” [see Exhibit 13]

It is our considered and professional planning opinion that the proposal conforms with the Vaughan Official Plan and the Woodbridge Centre Secondary Plan as the proposal will result in infilling that economizes the use of land by creating two (2) new lots for homes that are appropriate and in character with the existing pattern of development in the surrounding community.

Zoning By-Law:

The subject property is zoned ‘R3(EN) – Third Density Residential Zone (Established Neighborhood)’ under Zoning By-Law 001-2021, and ‘R3 – Third Density Residential’ under Zoning By-Law 1-88. It is our considered planning opinion that the subject property generally complies with the provisions of both by-laws. The following zoning compliance review is offered to support our planning opinion. [see Exhibit 15]

50 Pine Ridge Avenue - Zoning Compliance Review						
<u>Provisions</u>	<u>BY-LAW 1-88 Provision Number</u>	<u>BY-LAW 1-88 Requirement</u>	<u>BY-LAW 001-2021 Provision Number</u>	<u>BY-LAW 001-2021 Requirement</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Complies</u>
Permitted Uses	4.5	Single-family Detached Dwelling	7.2.1	Single Detached Dwelling	Single Detached Dwelling	Yes
Minimum Lot Frontage (m)	10.0	12m	7.2.3	12m (5) (5) - Where a lot is accessed by a lane, the minimum lot frontage shall be 9.0 m...	15.23m	Yes
Minimum Lot Area (m2)		360m2		315m2		

50 Pine Ridge Avenue - Zoning Compliance Review						
<u>Provisions</u>	<u>BY-LAW 1-88 Provision Number</u>	<u>BY-LAW 1-88 Requirement</u>	<u>BY-LAW 001-2021 Provision Number</u>	<u>BY-LAW 001-2021 Requirement</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Complies</u>
Minimum Front Yard (m)		4.5m (6)  (6) - Except where a single-family detached dwelling is erected without an attached garage or carport, the minimum side-yard requirements of one interior yard be 4.5 metres, or the front yard shall be a minimum of 11 metres.	4.5(3) / 7.2.3	The minimum front yard shall be the lesser (less restrictive) of:  a. The minimum front yard required in the applicable zone (4.5m) (2) ; or, b. The existing front yard less 2.0 m, but in no case shall the required minimum front yard be less than 4.5 m.  (2) - Where a private garage faces a front lot line or an exterior side lot line, the minimum setback to the private garage shall be 5.7 m.	19.1m to home and 7.5m to garage	Yes
Minimum Rear Yard (m)		7.5m	7.2.3	6m (5)  (5) - Where a lot is accessed by a lane... the minimum rear yard shall be 13.0 m.	28.6	Yes
Minimum Interior Side-yard (m)		1.2m (6)  (6) - Except where a single-family detached dwelling is erected without an attached garage or carport, the minimum side-yard requirements of one interior yard be 4.5 metres, or the front yard shall be a minimum of 11 metres.	4.5(2) / 7.2.3	For any proposed or new replacement dwelling that exceeds the existing height, and is greater than 9.5 m in height, the minimum interior side-yard shall be the greater (more restrictive) of: a. the requirements of the applicable zone (1.2m) b. The existing interior side-yard or c. 2.2m	1.0m	No
Minimum Exterior Side-yard (m)		4.5m (2)  (2) - Provided that the minimum setback to a garage which faces a lot line shall be 6.4 metres	7.2.3	2.4m (2)  (2) - Where a private garage faces a front lot line or an exterior side lot line, the minimum setback to the private garage shall be 5.7 m.	N/A	N/A
Maximum Lot Coverage (%)		40%		50%	40%	Yes

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Maximum Height (m)		9.5	4.5(1) / 7.2.3	The maximum building height shall be the least (more restrictive) of: a. The requirement of the applicable zone (9.5m) or b. The existing building height plus 3.0 m, but in no case shall the maximum building height requirement be less than 8.5 m.	8.37m	Yes
Minimum landscape of front yard or exterior side-yard	4.1.4 (f)(v)(2)	The Lot Frontage for Lots 12.0 m and greater shall be comprised of a <b>Minimum of 50% Landscaped Front or Exterior side-yard</b> and a <b>minimum sixty percent (60%) of the Minimum Landscaped Front or Exterior side-yard shall be soft landscaping</b> in accordance with Paragraph 4.1.2.	7.2.3	33%	66%	Yes
Minimum landscape of rear yard	4.1.2 (b)	where the area of a rear yard of a lot is greater than 135 sq. m., a minimum of sixty percent (60%) of that portion of the rear yard in excess of 135 sq.m shall be composed of soft landscaping	-	-	100%	Yes

### Minor Variance

Our zoning review indicates that a minor variance is needed to support a 0.2m reduction in the By-law's interior side-yard setback requirement to support the proposed construction of homes.

#### The Four Tests:

The proposal is to support a variance to the By-law to permit a 1.0m side-yard setback whereas a minimum 1.2m setback is required (see Figure 1).

Pursuant to Section 45(1) of the Planning Act it is our considered and professional planning opinion that the proposed variance meets the 4 tests as follows.

- ✓ A reduction in the side-yard setback of 0.2m is minor in nature as the reduction will not cause an

adverse impact on adjacent residential property that is not otherwise contemplated by the By-law if a home were 0.2m further away from the side lot line.

- ✓ The proposal is desirable for the appropriate development of these additional homes to provide functional garages. The dwelling itself is setback in excess of the interior side-yard requirement.
- ✓ The proposed variance will result in the construction of single-family homes that are in character with the existing neighbourhood and therefore maintains the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law?
- ✓ The proposed variance will result in two new infill lots and homes from one oversized lot within an urbanized community. The variance maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan as the Plan contains policies that encourage intensification through infill development.

### **Conclusion**

**It is our considered and professional planning opinion that the proposed Consent and supporting Minor Variance Application(s) is good planning for the following reasons.**

- ✓ The proposal is consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement.
- ✓ The proposal conforms with the Provincial Growth Plan.
- ✓ The proposal conforms with the York Region Official Plan.
- ✓ The proposal conforms with the Vaughan Official Plan.
- ✓ The proposal meets the general intent and purpose of Zoning By-law 001-2021 and Zoning By-law 1-88.
- ✓ The proposal will result in the creation of two new lots and homes in an urbanized community without cost to the City associated with the provision of service infrastructure or for any other known reason.
- ✓ There is sufficient land to create the lots and the variance needed to support the proposed homes is minor in nature and satisfies the 4 tests in Section 45(1) of the Planning Act.
- ✓ For the reasons discussed in this report, the proposal is justified as good planning.

We trust that our comments are well received. Should you require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at [jplutino@mainlineplanning.com](mailto:jplutino@mainlineplanning.com) or 905.893.0046.

Sincerely,  
**mainline planning services inc.**

Joseph P. Plutino, MCIP, RPP

cc. Client

(6) A delegation of authority made by a council or municipal planning authority under this section may be subject to such conditions as the council or municipal planning authority by by-law provides. 1994, c. 23, s. 31.

**Withdrawal of delegation**

(7) A council or a municipal planning authority may by by-law withdraw a delegation of authority made by a council or a municipal planning authority under this section and such withdrawal may be either in respect of one or more plans of subdivision specified in the by-law or any or all plans of subdivision in respect of which a final disposition was not made before the withdrawal. 1994, c. 23, s. 31.

**Section Amendments with date in force (d/m/y) [ + ]****Sale of lands in accordance with unregistered plan prohibited**

**52** (1) No person shall subdivide and offer for sale, agree to sell or sell land by a description in accordance with an unregistered plan of subdivision, but this subsection does not prohibit any person from offering for sale or agreeing to sell land by a description in accordance with a plan of subdivision in respect of which draft approval has been given under section 51.

**Definition**

(2) In subsection (1),

“unregistered plan of subdivision” does not include a reference plan of survey under section 150 of the *Land Titles Act* that complies with the regulations under that Act or a plan deposited under Part II of the *Registry Act* in accordance with the regulations under that Act. R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, s. 52.

**Consents****Definition**

**53** (0.1) In this section,

“provisional consent” means a consent given under subsection (1) in respect of which a certificate cannot be issued under subsection (42) because,

- (a) the 20-day period mentioned in subsection (19) has not elapsed,
- (b) any appeals under subsection (19) remain outstanding, or
- (c) conditions have been imposed but have not been fulfilled. 2020, c. 34, Sched. 20, s. 2 (1).

**Same**

(1) An owner or chargee of land, or such owner's or chargee's agent duly authorized in writing, may apply for a consent as defined in subsection 50 (1) and the council or the Minister, as the case may be, may, subject to this section, give a consent if satisfied that a plan of subdivision of the land is not necessary for the proper and orderly development of the municipality. 1994, c. 23, s. 32; 2020, c. 34, Sched. 20, s. 2 (2).

**Prescribed information**

(2) The applicant for a consent shall provide the council or the Minister with the prescribed information or material. 1996, c. 4, s. 29 (1).

**Other information**

(3) A council or the Minister may require that a person or public body that makes an application for a consent provide any other information or material that the council or the Minister considers it or he or she may need, but only if the official plan contains provisions relating to requirements under this subsection. 2006, c. 23, s. 23 (1).

**Refusal and timing**

(4) Until the council or the Minister has received the information and material required under subsections (2) and (3), if any, and any fee under section 69 or 69.1,

- (a) the council or the Minister may refuse to accept or further consider the application for a consent; and
- (b) the time period referred to in subsection (14) does not begin. 2006, c. 23, s. 23 (1).

**Motion re dispute**

(4.1) The applicant, the council or the Minister may make a motion for directions to have the Tribunal determine,

- (a) whether the information and material required under subsections (2) and (3), if any, have in fact been provided; or
- (b) whether a requirement made under subsection (3) is reasonable. 2017, c. 23, Sched. 5, s. 100 (1).

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property's built, constructed, or manufactured elements, as well as natural landforms, vegetation, water features, and its visual setting (e.g. significant views or vistas to or from a *protected heritage property*).

**High quality:** means primary and secondary sand and gravel resources and bedrock resources as defined in the Aggregate Resource Inventory Papers (ARIP).

**Housing options:** means a range of housing types such as, but not limited to single-detached, semi-detached, rowhouses, townhouses, stacked townhouses, multiplexes, additional residential units, tiny homes, multi-residential buildings. The term can also refer to a variety of housing arrangements and forms such as, but not limited to life lease housing, co-ownership housing, co-operative housing, community land trusts, land lease community homes, *affordable* housing, housing for people with *special needs*, and housing related to employment, institutional or educational uses.

**Hydrologic function:** means the functions of the hydrological cycle that include the occurrence, circulation, distribution and chemical and physical properties of water on the surface of the land, in the soil and underlying rocks, and in the atmosphere, and water's interaction with the environment including its relation to living things.

**Impacts of a changing climate:** means the present and future consequences from changes in weather patterns at local and regional levels including extreme weather events and increased climate variability.

**Individual on-site sewage services:** means sewage systems, as defined in O. Reg. 332/12 under the *Building Code Act, 1992*, that are owned, operated and managed by the owner of the property upon which the system is located.

**Individual on-site water services:** means individual, autonomous water supply systems that are owned, operated and managed by the owner of the property upon which the system is located.

**Infrastructure:** means physical structures (facilities and corridors) that form the foundation for development. *Infrastructure* includes: sewage and water systems, septage treatment systems, stormwater management systems, waste management systems, electricity generation facilities, electricity transmission and distribution systems, communications/telecommunications, transit and transportation corridors and facilities, oil and gas pipelines and associated facilities.

**Institutional use:** for the purposes of policy 3.1.5, means land uses where there is a threat to the safe evacuation of vulnerable populations such as older persons, persons with disabilities, and those who are sick or young, during an emergency as a result of flooding, failure of floodproofing measures or protection works, or erosion.

**Intensification:** means the development of a property, site or area at a higher density than currently exists through:

- a) *redevelopment*, including the reuse of *brownfield sites*;
- b) the development of vacant and/or underutilized lots within previously developed areas;
- c) infill development; and
- d) the expansion or conversion of existing buildings.

**Large inland lakes:** means those waterbodies having a surface area of equal to or greater than 100 square kilometres where there is not a measurable or predictable response to a single runoff event.

**Legal or technical reasons:** means severances for purposes such as easements, corrections of deeds, quit claims, and minor boundary adjustments, which do not result in the creation of a new lot.

**Low and moderate income households:** means

- a) in the case of ownership housing, households with incomes in the lowest 60 percent of the income distribution for the *regional market area*; or

*Public service facilities* do not include *infrastructure*.

**Quality and quantity of water:** is measured by indicators associated with hydrologic function such as minimum base flow, depth to water table, aquifer pressure, oxygen levels, suspended solids, temperature, bacteria, nutrients and hazardous contaminants, and hydrologic regime.

**Rail facilities:** means rail corridors, rail sidings, train stations, inter-modal facilities, rail yards and associated uses, including designated lands for future *rail facilities*.

**Recreation:** means leisure time activity undertaken in built or natural settings for purposes of physical activity, health benefits, sport participation and skill development, personal enjoyment, positive social interaction and the achievement of human potential.

**Redevelopment:** means the creation of new units, uses or lots on previously developed land in existing communities, including *brownfield sites*.

**Regional market area:** refers to an area that has a high degree of social and economic interaction. The upper or single-tier municipality, or planning area, will normally serve as the *regional market area*. However, where a *regional market area* extends significantly beyond these boundaries, then the *regional market area* may be based on the larger market area. Where *regional market areas* are very large and sparsely populated, a smaller area, if defined in an official plan, may be utilized.

**Renewable energy source:** means an energy source that is renewed by natural processes and includes wind, water, biomass, biogas, biofuel, solar energy, geothermal energy and tidal forces.

**Renewable energy system:** means a system that generates electricity, heat and/or cooling from a *renewable energy source*.

**Reserve sewage system capacity:** means design or planned capacity in a centralized waste water treatment facility which is not yet committed to existing or approved development. For the purposes of policy 1.6.6.6, reserve capacity for *private communal sewage services* and *individual on-site sewage services* is considered sufficient if the hauled sewage from the development can be treated and land-applied on agricultural land under the *Nutrient Management Act*, or disposed of at sites approved under the *Environmental Protection Act* or the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, but not by land-applying untreated, hauled sewage.

**Reserve water system capacity:** means design or planned capacity in a centralized water treatment facility which is not yet committed to existing or approved development.

**Residence surplus to a farming operation:** means an existing habitable farm residence that is rendered surplus as a result of farm consolidation (the acquisition of additional farm parcels to be operated as one farm operation).

**Residential intensification:** means intensification of a property, site or area which results in a net increase in residential units or accommodation and includes:

- a) redevelopment, including the redevelopment of *brownfield sites*;
- b) the development of vacant or underutilized lots within previously developed areas;
- c) infill development;
- d) development and introduction of new *housing options* within previously developed areas;
- e) the conversion or expansion of existing industrial, commercial and institutional buildings for residential use; and
- f) the conversion or expansion of existing residential buildings to create new residential units or accommodation, including accessory apartments, additional residential units, rooming houses, and other *housing options*.

**River, stream and small inland lake systems:** means all watercourses, rivers, streams, and



**Section Amendments with date in force (d/m/y) [ + ]****Approval authorities and Tribunal to have regard to certain matters**

**2.1** (1) When an approval authority or the Tribunal makes a decision under this Act that relates to a planning matter, it shall have regard to,

- (a) any decision that is made under this Act by a municipal council or by an approval authority and relates to the same planning matter; and
- (b) any information and material that the municipal council or approval authority considered in making the decision described in clause (a). 2015, c. 26, s. 13; 2017, c. 23, Sched. 3, s. 2 (1); 2019, c. 9, Sched. 12, s. 1 (1).

**Same, Tribunal**

(2) When the Tribunal makes a decision under this Act that relates to a planning matter that is appealed because of the failure of a municipal council or approval authority to make a decision, the Tribunal shall have regard to any information and material that the municipal council or approval authority received in relation to the matter. 2019, c. 9, Sched. 12, s. 1 (2).

**Same**

(3) For greater certainty, references to information and material in subsections (1) and (2) include, without limitation, written and oral submissions from the public relating to the planning matter. 2015, c. 26, s. 13.

**Section Amendments with date in force (d/m/y) [ + ]****Policy statements**

**3** (1) The Minister, or the Minister together with any other minister of the Crown, may from time to time issue policy statements that have been approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council on matters relating to municipal planning that in the opinion of the Minister are of provincial interest. R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, s. 3 (1).

**Approval of Minister, etc.**

(1.1) A policy statement may require an approval or determination by the Minister, any other minister of the Crown or multiple ministers of the Crown for any of the matters provided for in the policy statement. 2017, c. 23, Sched. 3, s. 3.

**Minister to confer**

(2) Before issuing a policy statement, the Minister shall confer with such persons or public bodies that the Minister considers have an interest in the proposed statement. 1994, c. 23, s. 6 (1).

**Notice**

(3) If a policy statement is issued under subsection (1), the Minister shall cause it to be published in *The Ontario Gazette* and shall give such further notice of it, in such manner as the Minister considers appropriate, to all members of the Assembly and to any other persons or public bodies that the Minister considers have an interest in the statement. 1994, c. 23, s. 6 (1).

**Idem**

(4) Each municipality that receives notice of a policy statement under subsection (3) shall in turn give notice of the statement to each local board of the municipality that it considers has an interest in the statement. R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, s. 3 (4).

**Policy statements and provincial plans**

(5) A decision of the council of a municipality, a local board, a planning board, a minister of the Crown and a ministry, board, commission or agency of the government, including the Tribunal, in respect of the exercise of any authority that affects a planning matter,

- (a) shall be consistent with the policy statements issued under subsection (1) that are in effect on the date of the decision; and
- (b) shall conform with the provincial plans that are in effect on that date, or shall not conflict with them, as the case may be. 2006, c. 23, s. 5; 2017, c. 23, Sched. 5, s. 80.

## Part V: Policies

### 1.0 Building Strong Healthy Communities

Ontario is a vast province with urban, rural, and northern communities with diversity in population, economic activities, pace of growth, service levels and physical and natural conditions. Ontario's long-term prosperity, environmental health and social well-being depend on wisely managing change and promoting efficient land use and development patterns. Efficient land use and development patterns support sustainability by promoting strong, liveable, healthy and resilient communities, protecting the environment and public health and safety, and facilitating economic growth.

Accordingly:

#### 1.1 Managing and Directing Land Use to Achieve Efficient and Resilient Development and Land Use Patterns

1.1.1 Healthy, liveable and safe communities are sustained by:

- a) promoting efficient development and land use patterns which sustain the financial well-being of the Province and municipalities over the long term;
- b) accommodating an appropriate affordable and market-based range and mix of residential types (including single-detached, additional residential units, multi-unit housing, affordable housing and housing for older persons), employment (including industrial and commercial), institutional (including places of worship, cemeteries and long-term care homes), recreation, park and open space, and other uses to meet long-term needs;
- c) avoiding development and land use patterns which may cause environmental or public health and safety concerns;
- d) avoiding development and land use patterns that would prevent the efficient expansion of *settlement areas* in those areas which are adjacent or close to *settlement areas*;
- e) promoting the integration of land use planning, growth management, transit-supportive development, intensification and infrastructure planning to achieve cost-effective development patterns, optimization of transit investments, and standards to minimize land consumption and servicing costs;
- f) improving accessibility for persons with disabilities and older persons by addressing land use barriers which restrict their full participation in society;
- g) ensuring that necessary *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* are or will be available to meet current and projected needs;
- h) promoting development and land use patterns that conserve biodiversity; and
- i) preparing for the regional and local impacts of a changing climate.

- 1.1.2 Sufficient land shall be made available to accommodate an appropriate range and mix of land uses to meet projected needs for a time horizon of up to 25 years, informed by provincial guidelines. However, where an alternate time period has been established for specific areas of the Province as a result of a provincial planning exercise or a *provincial plan*, that time frame may be used for municipalities within the area.

Within *settlement areas*, sufficient land shall be made available through *intensification* and *redevelopment* and, if necessary, *designated growth areas*.

Nothing in policy 1.1.2 limits the planning for *infrastructure*, *public service facilities* and *employment areas* beyond a 25-year time horizon.

### 1.1.3 Settlement Areas

Settlement areas are urban areas and rural settlement areas, and include cities, towns, villages and hamlets. Ontario's settlement areas vary significantly in terms of size, density, population, economic activity, diversity and intensity of land uses, service levels, and types of infrastructure available.

The vitality and regeneration of settlement areas is critical to the long-term economic prosperity of our communities. Development pressures and land use change will vary across Ontario. It is in the interest of all communities to use land and resources wisely, to promote efficient development patterns, protect resources, promote green spaces, ensure effective use of infrastructure and public service facilities and minimize unnecessary public expenditures.

1.1.3.1 *Settlement areas* shall be the focus of growth and development.

1.1.3.2 Land use patterns within *settlement areas* shall be based on densities and a mix of land uses which:

- a) efficiently use land and resources;
- b) are appropriate for, and efficiently use, the *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* which are planned or available, and avoid the need for their unjustified and/or uneconomical expansion;
- c) minimize negative impacts to air quality and climate change, and promote energy efficiency;
- d) prepare for the *impacts of a changing climate*;
- e) support *active transportation*;
- f) are *transit-supportive*, where transit is planned, exists or may be developed; and
- g) are *freight-supportive*.

Land use patterns within *settlement areas* shall also be based on a range of uses and opportunities for *intensification* and *redevelopment* in accordance with the criteria in policy 1.1.3.3, where this can be accommodated.

- 1.1.3.3 Planning authorities shall identify appropriate locations and promote opportunities for *transit-supportive* development, accommodating a significant supply and range of *housing options* through *intensification* and *redevelopment* where this can be accommodated taking into account existing building stock or areas, including *brownfield sites*, and the availability of suitable existing or planned *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* required to accommodate projected needs.
- 1.1.3.4 Appropriate development standards should be promoted which facilitate *intensification, redevelopment* and compact form, while avoiding or mitigating risks to public health and safety.
- 1.1.3.5 Planning authorities shall establish and implement minimum targets for *intensification* and *redevelopment* within built-up areas, based on local conditions. However, where provincial targets are established through *provincial plans*, the provincial target shall represent the minimum target for affected areas.
- 1.1.3.6 New development taking place in *designated growth areas* should occur adjacent to the existing built-up area and should have a compact form, mix of uses and densities that allow for the efficient use of land, *infrastructure* and *public service facilities*.
- 1.1.3.7 Planning authorities should establish and implement phasing policies to ensure:
- a) that specified targets for *intensification* and *redevelopment* are achieved prior to, or concurrent with, new development within *designated growth areas*; and
  - b) the orderly progression of development within *designated growth areas* and the timely provision of the *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* required to meet current and projected needs.
- 1.1.3.8 A planning authority may identify a *settlement area* or allow the expansion of a *settlement area* boundary only at the time of a *comprehensive review* and only where it has been demonstrated that:
- a) sufficient opportunities to accommodate growth and to satisfy market demand are not available through *intensification, redevelopment* and *designated growth areas* to accommodate the projected needs over the identified planning horizon;
  - b) the *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* which are planned or available are suitable for the development over the long term, are financially viable over their life cycle, and protect public health and safety and the natural environment;
  - c) in *prime agricultural areas*:
    1. the lands do not comprise *specialty crop areas*;
    2. alternative locations have been evaluated, and

## 1.4 Housing

1.4.1 To provide for an appropriate range and mix of *housing options* and densities required to meet projected requirements of current and future residents of the *regional market area*, planning authorities shall:

- a) maintain at all times the ability to accommodate residential growth for a minimum of 15 years through *residential intensification* and *redevelopment* and, if necessary, lands which are *designated and available* for residential development; and
- b) maintain at all times where new development is to occur, land with servicing capacity sufficient to provide at least a three-year supply of residential units available through lands suitably zoned to facilitate *residential intensification* and *redevelopment*, and land in draft approved and registered plans.

Upper-tier and single-tier municipalities may choose to maintain land with servicing capacity sufficient to provide at least a five-year supply of residential units available through lands suitably zoned to facilitate *residential intensification* and *redevelopment*, and land in draft approved and registered plans.

1.4.2 Where planning is conducted by an upper-tier municipality:

- a) the land and unit supply maintained by the lower-tier municipality identified in policy 1.4.1 shall be based on and reflect the allocation of population and units by the upper-tier municipality; and
- b) the allocation of population and units by the upper-tier municipality shall be based on and reflect *provincial plans* where these exist.

1.4.3 Planning authorities shall provide for an appropriate range and mix of *housing options* and densities to meet projected market-based and affordable housing needs of current and future residents of the *regional market area* by:

- a) establishing and implementing minimum targets for the provision of housing which is *affordable to low and moderate income households* and which aligns with applicable housing and homelessness plans. However, where planning is conducted by an upper-tier municipality, the upper-tier municipality in consultation with the lower-tier municipalities may identify a higher target(s) which shall represent the minimum target(s) for these lower-tier municipalities;
- b) **permitting and facilitating:**
  1. all *housing options* required to meet the social, health, economic and well-being requirements of current and future residents, including *special needs* requirements and needs arising from demographic changes and employment opportunities; and
  2. all types of *residential intensification*, including additional residential units, and *redevelopment* in accordance with policy 1.1.3.3;

- c) directing the development of new housing towards locations where appropriate levels of *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* are or will be available to support current and projected needs;
- d) promoting densities for new housing which efficiently use land, resources, *infrastructure* and *public service facilities*, and support the use of *active transportation* and transit in areas where it exists or is to be developed;
- e) requiring *transit-supportive* development and **prioritizing intensification**, including potential air rights development, in proximity to transit, including corridors and stations; and
- f) **establishing development standards for residential intensification, redevelopment and new residential development which minimize the cost of housing and facilitate compact form, while maintaining appropriate levels of public health and safety.**

## 1.5 Public Spaces, Recreation, Parks, Trails and Open Space

1.5.1 Healthy, active communities should be promoted by:

- a) planning public streets, spaces and facilities to be safe, meet the needs of pedestrians, foster social interaction and facilitate *active transportation* and community connectivity;
- b) planning and providing for a full range and equitable distribution of publicly-accessible built and natural settings for *recreation*, including facilities, parklands, public spaces, open space areas, trails and linkages, and, where practical, water-based resources;
- c) providing opportunities for public access to shorelines; and
- d) recognizing provincial parks, conservation reserves, and other protected areas, and minimizing negative impacts on these areas.

## 1.6 Infrastructure and Public Service Facilities

1.6.1 *Infrastructure* and *public service facilities* shall be provided in an efficient manner that prepares for the *impacts of a changing climate* while accommodating projected needs.

Planning for *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* shall be coordinated and integrated with land use planning and growth management so that they are:

- a) financially viable over their life cycle, which may be demonstrated through asset management planning; and
- b) available to meet current and projected needs.

1.6.2 Planning authorities should promote *green infrastructure* to complement *infrastructure*.

## 2 Where and How to Grow

### 2.1 Context

The *GGH* is a dynamic and diverse area, and one of the fastest growing regions in North America. By 2051, this area is forecast to grow to, at a minimum, 14.8 million people and 7.0 million jobs. The magnitude and pace of this growth necessitates a plan for building healthy and balanced communities and maintaining and improving our quality of life while adapting to the demographic shift underway.

To better co-ordinate planning for growth across the region, this Plan provides population and employment forecasts for all upper- and single-tier municipalities in the *GGH*. These growth forecasts are a foundational component of this Plan. They are to be reviewed in consultation with municipalities at least every five years.

This Plan is about accommodating forecasted growth in *complete communities*. These are communities that are well designed to meet people's needs for daily living throughout an entire lifetime by providing convenient access to an appropriate mix of jobs, local services, *public service facilities*, and a full range of housing to accommodate a range of incomes and household sizes. *Complete communities* support quality of life and human health by encouraging the use of *active transportation* and providing high quality public open space, adequate parkland, opportunities for recreation, and access to local and healthy food. They provide for a balance of jobs and housing in communities across the *GGH* to reduce the need for long distance commuting. They also support climate change mitigation by increasing the *modal share* for transit and *active transportation* and by minimizing land consumption through *compact built form*.

To support the achievement of *complete communities*, this Plan establishes minimum intensification and density targets that recognize the diversity of communities across the *GGH*. Some larger urban centres, such as Toronto, have already met some of the minimum targets established in this Plan, while other communities are growing and intensifying at a different pace that reflects their local context.

Building compact and *complete communities*, and protecting agricultural lands, water resources and natural areas will help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and ensure communities are more resilient to the *impacts of a changing climate*. Ontario has recently affirmed its commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 30 per cent below 2005 levels by 2030 in Preserving and Protecting our Environment for Future Generations: A Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan. This target aligns Ontario with Canada's 2030 target under the Paris Agreement.

To support the achievement of *complete communities* that are healthier, safer, and more equitable, choices about where and how growth occurs in the *GGH* need to be made carefully. Better use of land and *infrastructure* can be made by directing growth to *settlement areas* and prioritizing *intensification*, with a focus on *strategic growth areas*, including *urban growth centres* and *major transit station areas*, as well as *brownfield sites* and *greyfields*. Concentrating new development in these areas provides a focus for investments in transit as well as other types of *infrastructure* and *public service facilities* to support forecasted growth, while also supporting a more diverse range and mix of housing options. However, to protect public safety and prevent future flood risks, growth should generally be directed away from hazardous areas, including those that have been identified as Special Policy Areas in accordance with the PPS.

The Growth Plan, 2006 identified 25 *urban growth centres* and this Plan continues to recognize those *urban growth centres* as regional focal points for accommodating population and employment growth. The continued revitalization of *urban growth centres* as meeting places, locations for cultural facilities, public institutions, and major services and transit hubs with the potential to become more vibrant, mixed-use, *transit-supportive* communities is particularly important.

This Plan recognizes transit as a first priority for major transportation investments. It sets out a regional vision for transit, and seeks to align transit with growth by directing growth to *major transit station areas* and other *strategic growth areas*, including *urban growth centres*, and promoting transit investments in these areas. To optimize provincial investments in *higher order transit*, this Plan also identifies *priority transit corridors* and the Province expects municipalities to complete detailed planning for *major transit station areas* on these corridors to support planned service levels.

The region is experiencing a dramatic economic change. Traditional industries, such as manufacturing and agri-food businesses, continue to play an important role, but globalization and technology are also transforming the *GGH's* economy. There has been a shift towards knowledge-intensive, high value-added activities that is increasing the significance of the service and knowledge-based sectors and spurring innovation in other segments of the economy. This change is providing opportunities for a variety of types of businesses to locate and grow in the *GGH*, which is fundamental to ensuring a more prosperous economic future. Therefore, it is important to ensure an adequate supply of land within *employment areas* – both for traditional industries and for service sector and knowledge-based businesses that warrant such locations – and sites for a broad range of other employment uses.

It is important that we maximize the benefits of land use planning as well as existing and future investments in *infrastructure* so that our communities are



well-positioned to leverage economic change. It is also critical that we understand the importance of *provincially significant employment zones* and consider opportunities to better co-ordinate our collective efforts across municipalities to support their contribution to economic growth and improve access to transit.

As in many thriving metropolitan regions, many communities in the *GGH* are facing issues of housing affordability, which are being driven primarily by sustained population growth and factors such as a lack of housing supply with record low vacancy rates. This Plan helps to address this challenge by providing direction to plan for a range and mix of housing options, including additional residential units and *affordable* housing and, in particular, higher density housing options that can accommodate a range of household sizes in locations that can provide access to transit and other amenities. There is also a need for stakeholders to work collaboratively to find opportunities to redevelop sites using more age-friendly community design.

Building more compact greenfield communities reduces the rate at which land is consumed. Communities in larger urban centres need to grow at *transit-supportive* densities, with walkable street configurations. *Compact built form* and *intensification* efforts go together with more effective transit and *active transportation* networks and are fundamental to where and how we grow. They are necessary to ensure the viability of transit; connect people to homes, jobs and other aspects of daily living for people of all ages; and meet climate change mitigation and adaptation objectives. Moreover, an increased *modal share* for *active transportation* and transit, including convenient, *multimodal* options for intra- and inter-municipal travel, supports reduced air pollution and improved public health outcomes.

It is important to optimize the use of the existing urban land supply as well as the existing building and housing stock to avoid over-designating land for future urban development while also providing flexibility for local decision-makers to respond to housing need and market demand. This Plan's emphasis on optimizing the use of the existing urban land supply represents an *intensification* first approach to development and city-building, one which focuses on making better use of our existing *infrastructure* and *public service facilities*, and less on continuously expanding the urban area.

Strong, healthy and prosperous rural communities are also vital to the economic success of the *GGH* and contribute to our quality of life. This Plan recognizes and promotes the important role of rural towns and villages as a focus of economic, cultural and social activities that support surrounding rural and agricultural areas across the *GGH*. Opportunities to support a diversified rural economy should be promoted by protecting farmland and the viability of the agri-food sector in rural

areas. Healthy rural communities are important to the vitality and well-being of the larger region.

## 2.2 Policies for Where and How to Grow

### 2.2.1 Managing Growth

1. Population and employment forecasts contained in Schedule 3 or such higher forecasts as established by the applicable upper- or single-tier municipality through its *municipal comprehensive review* will be used for planning and managing growth in the *GGH* to the horizon of this Plan in accordance with the policies in subsection 5.2.4.
2. Forecasted growth to the horizon of this Plan will be allocated based on the following:
  - a) the vast majority of growth will be directed to *settlement areas* that:
    - i. have a *delineated built boundary*;
    - ii. have existing or planned *municipal water and wastewater systems*; and
    - iii. can support the achievement of *complete communities*;
  - b) growth will be limited in *settlement areas* that:
    - i. are *rural settlements*;
    - ii. are not serviced by existing or planned *municipal water and wastewater systems*; or
    - iii. are in the *Greenbelt Area*;
  - c) within *settlement areas*, growth will be focused in:
    - i. *delineated built-up areas*;
    - ii. *strategic growth areas*;
    - iii. locations with existing or planned transit, with a priority on *higher order transit* where it exists or is planned; and
    - iv. areas with existing or planned *public service facilities*;
  - d) development will be directed to *settlement areas*, except where the policies of this Plan permit otherwise;
  - e) development will be generally directed away from *hazardous lands*; and
  - f) the establishment of new *settlement areas* is prohibited.
3. Upper- and single-tier municipalities will undertake integrated planning to manage forecasted growth to the horizon of this Plan, which will:

### **Hydrologic Function**

The functions of the hydrological cycle that include the occurrence, circulation, distribution and chemical and physical properties of water on the surface of the land, in the soil and underlying rocks, and in the atmosphere, and water's interaction with the environment including its relation to living things. (PPS, 2020)

### **Impacts of a Changing Climate**

The present and future consequences from changes in weather patterns at local and regional levels including extreme weather events and increased climate variability. (PPS, 2020)

### **Infrastructure**

Physical structures (facilities and corridors) that form the foundation for development. *Infrastructure* includes: sewage and water systems, septage treatment systems, stormwater management systems, waste management systems, electricity generation facilities, electricity transmission and distribution systems, communications/telecommunications, transit and transportation corridors and facilities, oil and gas pipelines and associated facilities. (PPS, 2020)

### **Inner Ring**

The geographic area consisting of the cities of Hamilton and Toronto and the Regions of Durham, Halton, Peel, and York.

### **Innisfil Heights Strategic Settlement Employment Area**

Location set out in Schedule 8. The *Innisfil Heights strategic settlement employment area* boundary is determined by the Minister and planned for in accordance with the policies in subsection 6.4.

### **Intensification**

The development of a property, site or area at a higher density than currently exists through:

- a) *redevelopment*, including the reuse of *brownfield sites*;
- b) the development of vacant and/or underutilized lots within previously developed areas;
- c) infill development; and
- d) the expansion or conversion of existing buildings.

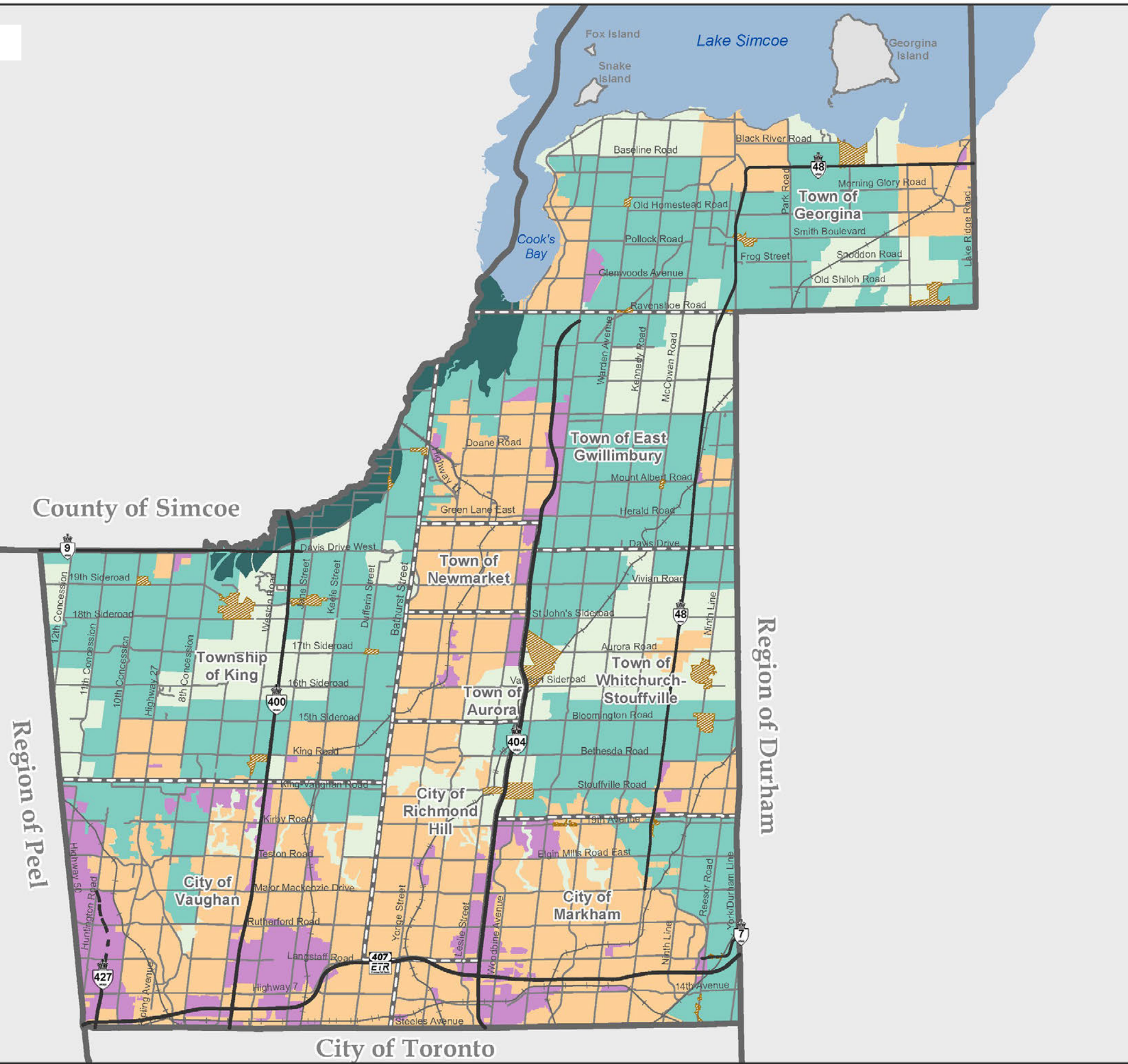
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### **Intermittent Streams**

Stream-related watercourses that contain water or are dry at times of the year that are more or less predictable, generally flowing during wet seasons of the

# MAP 1A

## LAND USE DESIGNATIONS



### Urban System

- Community Area
- Employment Area

### Agricultural System

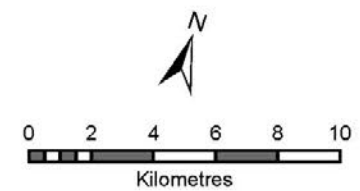
- Holland Marsh Specialty Crop Area
- Agricultural Area
- Rural Area
- Hamlet

### Provincial Highways

- Existing

### Municipal Boundaries

- Regional Municipal Boundary
- Local Municipal Boundary



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 Boundaries and Water Features  
 Based on best available data and may contain minor errors or omissions.

4.4.6 That within the planned strategic growth areas, the minimum density targets may be achieved beyond the planning horizon of the Plan.

4.4.7 That the majority of residential *intensification* shall be directed to locations which provide access to human, educational and social services, retail, employment, arts, culture, parks, recreational facilities and transit within a 15 minute walk and in a manner that is consistent with the policies in Section 2.3 the Plan.

4.4.8 That *intensification* shall include a variety of medium and high density dwelling unit types and sizes to provide housing choice. Larger family type units shall be encouraged to accommodate York Region’s forecast.

4.4.9 To direct a significant amount of mixed-uses, including street-related commercial, to strategic growth areas.

4.4.10 That local municipalities shall complete and adopt *intensification* strategies based on the policies of the Plan. The local municipal *intensification* strategies, developed in cooperation with York Region, shall:

- a. Plan to meet or exceed *intensification* targets identified in Table 6

**Table 6 – York Region Residential Intensification Targets by Local Municipality 2016-2051**

Municipality	Residential Units	Intensification Rate
Aurora	4,600	45%
East Gwillimbury	700	2%
Georgina	2,700	32%
King	4,700	52%
Markham	52,400	55%
Newmarket	11,400	89%
Richmond Hill	34,500	78%
Vaughan	51,300	57%
Whitchurch-Stouffville	4,200	25%
<b>York Region</b>	<b>166,500</b>	<b>52%</b>

Please note intensification units in this table reflect the motions adopted by Council on October 21, 2021. Should the Province refuse requested settlement area boundary expansions within the ORM, minor updates to this table would be required to reintroduce urban expansion on the whitebelt lands in Whitchurch-Stouffville in accordance with Council direction of November 25, 2021.

- b. Identify the role and planned function of each strategic growth area in conformity with the Regional *intensification* hierarchy in policy 4.1.3;
- c. Identify the planned residents and jobs target for each strategic growth area;
- d. Identify the role for other locations in *Community Areas* in accommodating additional residential units through *gentle density* along other major streets and in local infill;
- e. Plan for a range and mix of housing that is commensurate with the planned density and local context, considering *affordable* housing needs; and,
- f. identify implementation policies and strategies to prioritize, phase in and achieve local municipal *intensification* targets in local official plans.

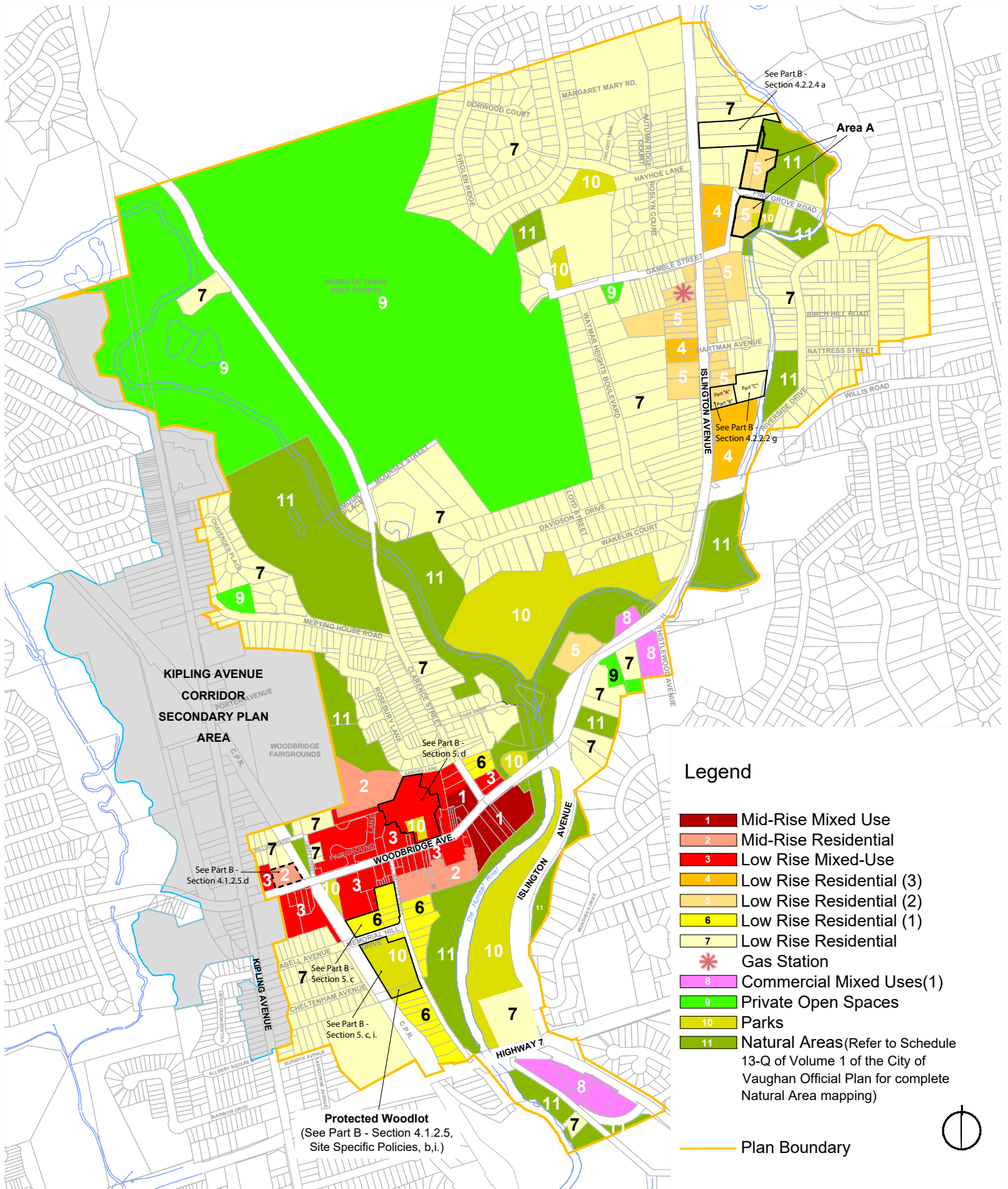
## 4.4 INTENSIFICATION

### The Missing Middle and Gentle Density

The terms Missing Middle and Gentle Density are planning concepts that encourage residential intensification within existing neighbourhoods that is devised for minimal impact on a neighborhood and its' character. Additional housing may be provided that is often connected to existing single-family homes by means of accessory units and/or by adding new ground-oriented, small-scale attached infill housing such as semi-detached, duplex and townhouses where it is appropriate.

- 4.4.11** That local municipalities shall develop local municipal *intensification* hierarchies and identify minimum density and height targets for strategic growth areas in a manner that is consistent with the Regional *intensification* hierarchy.
- 4.4.12** That strategic growth area density targets apply to the entirety of the area within the boundary delineation, not individual parcels.
- 4.4.13** That *development* within strategic growth areas shall be prioritized along existing rapid transit corridors on *Map 10* and in locations with existing water and wastewater capacity.
- 4.4.14** That rapid transit corridors identified in *Map 10* be planned to support higher density *development* and improve access to multi-modal transit facilities over the long-term.
- 4.4.15** That local municipalities shall, in consultation with York Region, identify locations along Regional arterial roads and other major streets where the *missing middle* can be accommodated.
- 4.4.16** To work with local municipalities to encourage integration of *gentle density* and a mix and range of *housing options* within the built boundary, where locally appropriate, through redevelopment of existing neighbourhoods.
- 4.4.17** That *development* within strategic growth areas be of an urban form and design that is compact, accessible, mixed-use, oriented to the street, pedestrian- and cyclist-friendly, and *transit supportive*.
- 4.4.18** That a wide range of residential, commercial and institutional uses, including retail uses, offices, mixed-use and *human services* be provided in strategic growth areas.
- 4.4.19** That strategic growth areas be planned and designed to achieve an appropriate transition of built form to adjacent areas.
- 4.4.20** To recognize strategic growth areas as:
- a. The preferred location for *major office* uses; and
  - b. Hubs of commerce, business, and entertainment activities
- 4.4.21** That *secondary plans* or equivalent comprehensive planning studies within strategic growth areas specify that a minimum of 35% of new housing units within Regional Centres and *major transit station areas* (MTSAs) be *affordable*, offering a range of compact housing forms and tenures, and intrinsically *affordable* units for low and moderate income households.
- 4.4.22** That local municipalities shall prepare an implementation strategy to address the requirement that a minimum 35% of new housing units in Regional Centres and MTSAs be *affordable*.
- 4.4.23** To encourage tools such as Community Improvement Plans to encourage office and *affordable* housing including purpose-built rental housing within strategic growth areas and to help improve economic activity and vitality.

# Land Use Plan - Schedule 2



and libraries. They will function as *complete communities* and encourage walking, cycling and transit use.

- 2.2.3.2. That **Community Areas** are considered **Stable Areas** and therefore **Community Areas** with existing *development* are not intended to experience significant physical change that would alter the general character of established neighbourhoods. New *development* that respects and reinforces the existing scale, height, massing, lot pattern, building type, orientation, character, form and planned function of the immediate local area is permitted, as set out in the policies in Chapter 9 of this Plan. (OPA #15)
- 2.2.3.3. That limited *intensification* may be permitted in **Community Areas** as per the land use designations on Schedule 13 and in accordance with the policies of Chapter 9 of this Plan. The proposed *development* must be sensitive to and compatible with the character, form and planned function of the surrounding context.
- 2.2.3.4. That *development* immediately adjacent to **Community Areas** shall ensure appropriate transition in scale, intensity, and use, and shall mitigate adverse noise and traffic impacts, while fulfilling the *intensification* objectives for **Intensification Areas**, where applicable.
- 2.2.3.5. That the provision of local transit service to and through **Community Areas** is a priority where such service does not yet exist, and the enhancement and improvement of local transit is a priority where it does exist consistent with York Region's transit service planning process and with approved YRT service standards and guidelines.
- 2.2.3.6. That new communities are subject to a Secondary Plan process as set out in policy 9.2.2.14 and consistent with the requirements for new communities within the York Region Official Plan.
- 2.2.3.7. That *greenfield* lands within **Community Areas** should be developed to help achieve the average minimum density of 50 residents and jobs per hectare combined as required in policy 2.1.3.2.d. Where appropriate, zoning permissions and plans of subdivision should be reexamined to determine if this target can be met and new *development* should be consistent with the requirements for new communities in the York Region Official Plan.

## 2.2.4 Employment Areas

**Employment Areas** are intended for the use of economic activities that require separation from other uses in order to achieve their maximum potential. While Vaughan is anticipated to see significant job growth in **Employment Areas**, they are considered **Stable Areas** and their planned function for economic activity related to industrial, manufacturing, warehousing and some offices uses is to be maintained. In order to continue Vaughan's success at attracting the kind of economic activity that requires a location in **Employment Areas**, the City's **Employment Areas** must be protected from encroaching non-employment uses that would serve to



- a. in **Community Areas**, new *development* will be designed to respect and reinforce the physical character of the established neighbourhood within which it is located as set out in policies 9.1.2.2 - 9.1.2.4 or, where no established neighbourhood is located, it shall help establish an appropriate physical character that is compatible with its surroundings, as set out in policy 9.1.2.5. An Established Community Area is a portion of the **Community Area** identified on Schedule 1 (Urban Structure) generally bounded by Major or Minor Arterial streets or other significant features such as the Natural Heritage System, which is entirely or almost entirely developed and occupied, such that its physical character is well defined;
- b. in **Intensification Areas**, new *development* will be located and organized, as set out in policies 9.1.2.7 and 9.1.2.9, to frame and support the surrounding public realm and massed to fit harmoniously into its surrounding environment, including appropriate transition to areas of lower intensity *development*;
- c. in **Employment Areas**, new *development* will be located and organized, as set out in policy 9.1.2.10, to provide functional buildings that meet the needs of employees that walk, cycle or take transit, and to limit any impacts on nearby **Community Areas**; and
- d. in *Countryside* areas, new *development*, where permitted, shall be **rural** in character and protect, preserve and strengthen the **rural** and **agricultural** context within which it is situated, as set out in policy 9.1.2.11 of this Plan.

(OPA #15)

9.1.2.2. That in Established Community Areas, new *development* as reflected in any zoning, variance, subdivision, consent or part lot control exemption application, will be designed to respect and reinforce the existing physical character and uses of the surrounding area, specifically respecting and reinforcing the following elements:

- a. the local pattern of lots, streets and blocks;
- b. the size and configuration of lots;
- c. the building type of nearby residential properties;
- d. the orientation of buildings;
- e. the heights and scale of adjacent and immediately surrounding residential properties;
- f. the setback of buildings from the street;
- g. the pattern of rear and side-yard setbacks;
- h. the presence of mature trees and general landscape character of the streetscape;

- i. the existing topography and drainage pattern on the lot and in the adjacent and immediately surrounding properties
- j. conservation and enhancement of heritage buildings, heritage districts and *cultural heritage landscapes*.
- k. the above elements are not meant to discourage the incorporation of features that can increase energy efficiency (e.g. solar configuration, solar panels) or environmental sustainability (e.g. natural lands, rainbarrels).

(OPA #15)

9.1.2.3. Within the Established Community Areas there are a number of established residential neighbourhoods that are characterized exclusively or predominantly by detached houses located on generally large lots with frontages exceeding 20 metres and/or by their historical, architectural or landscape value. These neighbourhoods are generally identified on Schedule 1B “Areas Subject to Policy 9.1.2.3 – Vaughan’s Established Large Lot Neighbourhoods. Some of these established neighbourhoods, including estate lot neighbourhoods, are also characterized by their substantial rear, front and side yards, and by lot coverages that contribute to expansive amenity areas, which provide opportunities for attractive landscape *development* and streetscapes. These include neighbourhoods at or near the core of the founding communities of Thornhill, Concord, Kleinburg, Maple and Woodbridge, and may also be part of the respective Heritage Conservation Districts. For clarity, the policy text prevails over the mapping shown on Schedule 1B. In addition to those areas identified on Schedule 1B, this policy shall also apply to other areas where the subdivision and *redevelopment* of a large lot or multiple large lots would not respect and reinforce the elements identified in Policy 9.1.2.2. In order to maintain the character of established, large-lot neighbourhoods the following policies shall apply to all *developments* within these areas (e.g., land severances, zoning by-law amendments and minor variances), based on the current zoning, and guide the preparation of any future City-initiated area specific or comprehensive zoning by-laws affecting these areas.

- a. Lot frontage: In the case of lot creation, new lots should be equal to or exceed the frontages of the adjoining lots or the average of the frontage of the adjoining lots where they differ;
- b. Lot area: The area of new lots should be consistent with the size of adjoining lots;
- c. Lot configuration: New lots should respect the existing lotting fabric in the immediately surrounding area;
- d. Front yards and exterior side yards: Buildings should maintain the established pattern of setbacks for the neighbourhood to retain a consistent streetscape;
- e. Rear yards: Buildings should maintain the established pattern of setbacks for the neighbourhood to minimize visual intrusion on the adjacent residential lots;

10.1.2.33. That an owner(s) seeking to subdivide land may be required to enter into one or more agreements to secure the matters associated with the subdivision of land as is deemed necessary by the City.

### Consents (Severances)

10.1.2.34. That a consent(s) to sever land may be considered, pursuant to Section 53 of the Planning Act, provided that a Plan of Subdivision is not deemed necessary in accordance with policy 10.1.2.28.

10.1.2.35. That a consent(s) to sever land for the creation of new lots applies whether the transaction takes the form of a conveyance, a lease for twenty-one years or more, or a mortgage.

10.1.2.36. That a consent(s) may be permitted for the following purposes:

- a. the creation of new lots;
- b. boundary adjustments to existing lots;
- c. the creation of easements over existing lots; and/or
- d. to convey additional lands to an adjacent lot, provided a lot smaller than that otherwise permitted by the Zoning By-law is not created.

10.1.2.37. That authority to grant a consent(s) to sever land is delegated to the Committee of Adjustment.

10.1.2.38. That a lot(s) may be created only if there is enough net *developable area* on both the severed lot and the remainder lot to accommodate proposed uses, buildings and structures and accessory uses without encroachment on the Natural Heritage Network.

10.1.2.39. As a condition of approval, the City shall enter into an agreement with the applicant establishing conditions requiring that *natural self-sustaining vegetation* be maintained or restored in order to ensure the long-term protection of any Natural Heritage Network components and hydrologically sensitive features on the lot.

10.1.2.40. That a lot shall not be created if it would extend or promote strip *development*.

10.1.2.41. That a consent(s) shall not be granted for uses that are inconsistent with this Plan.

10.1.2.42. That a consent(s) to sever land in the **Urban Area**, including the lands designated as **Oak Ridges Moraine Settlement Area** on Schedule 4, will be considered for the purposes of infilling in an existing **Urban Area**, but shall not extend the existing **Urban Area**. Such consent(s) in the **Urban Area** will be subject to the following:

- a. infilling which economizes the use of urban land without disturbing the existing pattern of *development* or perpetuating an undesirable pattern of *development* or prejudicing the layout of future *development* shall be considered acceptable;

- b. where a parcel of land is located within an existing settlement or designated by the Official Plan for *development*, and the size of the parcel is large and it is apparent that an application for a severance could be a forerunner of other similar applications on the original parcel, such individual severances from that parcel shall not be permitted but may be considered through an application for a Plan of Subdivision; and
- c. where existing developed lots have the potential for *redevelopment* on a more comprehensive scale, a proposed severance(s) which might block potential points of access or further fragment ownership of these lands, shall not be approved unless such severance is determined to be appropriate following a Council approved comprehensive study of the area such as through a Secondary Plan or Block Plan process.

10.1.2.43. That a consent(s) to sever land designated on Schedule 13 as **Natural Area** and **Agricultural**, may be permitted in the following instances:

- a. acquisition of land by a public body for infrastructure projects;
- b. conveyances to public bodies or non-profit agencies for natural heritage or conservation purposes, provided no separate lot is created;
- c. Minor lot adjustments or boundary additions, provided that they do not create a separate lot for a residential dwelling in specialty crop or prime **agricultural** areas; and there is no increased fragmentation of a key natural heritage feature or key hydrological feature;
- d. *agricultural uses* where both the subject and retained lands are a minimum size of 40 hectares (100 acres) outside the **Urban Boundary** shown on Schedule 1;
- e. existing or new *agriculture-related uses*, such as farm-related commercial and farm-related industrial uses that are small in scale and directly related to the farm operation and required to be located in close proximity to the farm operation. In these cases, the new lot will be limited to the minimum size required for the use and appropriate individual private on-site water and wastewater systems will be required; or
- f. severance of an existing residence that is surplus to a farming operation as a result of a farm consolidation, provided no additional residence can be constructed on the retained farmland.

10.1.2.44. That a consent(s) to sever land designated on Schedule 13 **Oak Ridges Moraine Natural Core**, **Oak Ridges Moraine Natural Linkage**, or **Oak Ridges Moraine Countryside**, may be permitted in the following instances:

## Part IV: Vision for Ontario's Land Use Planning System

The long-term prosperity and social well-being of Ontario depends upon planning for strong, sustainable and resilient communities for people of all ages, a clean and healthy environment, and a strong and competitive economy.

Ontario is a vast province with diverse urban, rural and northern communities which may face different challenges related to diversity in population, economic activity, pace of growth and physical and natural conditions. Some areas face challenges related to maintaining population and diversifying their economy, while other areas face challenges related to accommodating and managing the development and population growth which is occurring, while protecting important resources and the quality of the natural environment.

The Province's rich cultural diversity is one of its distinctive and defining features. Indigenous communities have a unique relationship with the land and its resources, which continues to shape the history and economy of the Province today. Ontario recognizes the unique role Indigenous communities have in land use planning and development, and the contribution of Indigenous communities' perspectives and traditional knowledge to land use planning decisions. The Province recognizes the importance of consulting with Aboriginal communities on planning matters that may affect their section 35 Aboriginal or treaty rights. Planning authorities are encouraged to build constructive, cooperative relationships through meaningful engagement with Indigenous communities to facilitate knowledge-sharing in land use planning processes and inform decision-making.

The Provincial Policy Statement focuses growth and development within urban and rural settlement areas while supporting the viability of rural areas. It recognizes that the wise management of land use change may involve directing, promoting or sustaining development. Land use must be carefully managed to accommodate appropriate development to meet the full range of current and future needs, while achieving efficient development patterns and avoiding significant or sensitive resources and areas which may pose a risk to public health and safety. Planning authorities are encouraged to permit and facilitate a range of housing options, including new development as well as residential intensification, to respond to current and future needs.

Efficient development patterns optimize the use of land, resources and public investment in infrastructure and public service facilities. These land use patterns promote a mix of housing, including affordable housing, employment, recreation, parks and open spaces, and transportation choices that increase the use of active transportation and transit before other modes of travel. They support the financial well-being of the Province and municipalities over the long term, and minimize the undesirable effects of development, including impacts on air, water and other resources. They also permit better adaptation and response to the impacts of a changing climate, which will vary from region to region.

Strong, liveable and healthy communities promote and enhance human health and social well-being, are economically and environmentally sound, and are resilient to climate change.

**From:** [Christine Vigneault](#)  
**To:** [Committee of Adjustment](#)  
**Subject:** RE: [External] File Nos. A115/24 & A116/24 for 50 Pine Ridge Avenue, Lot A & Lot B, PLAN M114.  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 3, 2024 12:19:25 PM

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To the Members of the Committee of Adjustment

Our residents **strongly oppose** the variance and zoning requests for File No's A115/24 & A116/24 RE: 50 Pine Ridge Avenue Lot A & Lot B PLAN M114 (**see below document signed by residents**). We believe that if approved, this application will negatively impact our community. There has been a lack of adequate consultation with the community about the proposed variance; to our knowledge, no residents within our neighborhood have received written notice of this application. Therefore, we request that the matter be elevated to the Committee of the Whole for broader consideration. We believe the potential impacts on the community are significant enough to warrant a more comprehensive review by the full municipal council.

### **Non-Compliance with Official Plan and Zoning By-laws**

The applicant's request does not comply with the current Official Plan and Zoning By-laws. The variance requests are inconsistent with the municipality's Official Plan, which sets out the long-term vision and policies for land use. The variances, along with the proposed structure encompassing one primary residence with two secondary residences, go against the established character of the neighborhood, which is predominantly single-family homes.

This neighborhood has maintained this character for over 80 years. We should also take into consideration the intensification approved along the perimeter of this neighborhood, along with the many additional applications awaiting review and approval by Vaughan Council. These high density, approved applications, and those expected to be brought forth to Council, have also, in our opinion, had applicants cite the need for affordable housing. All of these new homes are abutting our neighbourhood.

### **Impact on Community Character**

Allowing these variances will alter the established character of the neighborhood. The neighborhood is predominantly single-family homes, and the introduction of a residential dwelling consisting of a primary residence along with two secondary units will disrupt this character. The existing character of the single-dwelling homes has been consistent for the decades. The intensification already in existence, along with what is waiting to be built, on the perimeter of this small pocket already has the potential for overcrowding, which will strain local infrastructure and services.

### **Infrastructure and Services**

We feel the pressures of intensification within our neighbourhood and our surrounding perimeter. We feel it already exceeded the capacity of existing infrastructure, such as water, sewage, and roads. We are concerned that previously approved density increases may already be at risk of overwhelming these systems, leading to a deterioration of service quality. Our area does not have sidewalks, and residents' driveways are already full of vehicles. Any further increase in density will heighten the potential for parking issues, as additional units typically require more parking spaces. The application is only allowing one parking space per residential unit, which we believe is not sufficient and could lead to on-street parking congestion,

currently not allowed on the majority of our neighboring streets.

### **Traffic and Safety**

Our neighborhood has no sidewalks, meaning pedestrians, young bicycle riders, and dog walkers could face safety risks if these types of homes with a total of three separate living areas consisting of two 3-bedroom units and one 2-bedroom unit are permitted. This poses a significant safety risk, especially for children, pedestrians, and dogs in our small residential zone. We also raise concerns about the ability of emergency services to access the area, as narrow roadways might be congested with additional vehicle parking from this proposed application.

### **Environmental Concerns**

We believe there will be a reduction in green space if these multi-unit dwellings are allowed, leading to a reduction in green spaces, which are important for community well-being and environmental sustainability. There is also the potential for stormwater management issues due to increased impermeable surfaces from additional construction.

### **Precedent Setting**

We are worried about the precedent for future applications. If this application with its requested variances is granted, it could set a precedent, making it difficult to deny future similar requests. This could cumulatively change the character and infrastructure demands of the neighborhood, which has been predominantly single-dwelling residential homes for decades.

### **Alternative Solutions**

We believe that the municipal and provincial mandates to increase the number of homes available have been met several times over by this community with the additional hundreds of homes slated to be built within its surrounding perimeter. Over the past few years, we have witnessed several single-family homes or businesses transitioning to over a thousand additional homes, with many more approved to be built and several additional applications to be heard. We feel that we have adhered to enough development pressures in our small single-dwelling residential neighborhood and trust the Committee of Adjustment members will elevate this matter for broader consideration by the Committee of the Whole.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to a thoughtful and comprehensive review.

Sincerely

Franca Porretta on behalf of all opposing residents as per petitions below

We the undersigned strongly oppose to the following:

**\*File No. A116/24 , 50 Pine Ridge Ave (Lot A)  
Plan M1114 Lot 14\***

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Salvatore Cignata			Salvatore Cignata
	143		
	RIVERSIDE DR		
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NABI YAGHAN	35 BIRCH HILL RD		Nabi Yaghan
SABA YAGHAN	35 BIRCH HILL RD		Saba Yaghan
AHMAD YAGHAN	35 BIRCH HILL RD		Ahmad Yaghan

We the undersigned strongly oppose the following:

File No: A116/24

Applicant: FrankFranco Architects

Location: 50 Pine Ridge Avenue (Lot A) PLAN M1114 Lot 14

We the undersigned request The Committee of Adjustment Members to elevate this matter (File No: A116/24) to the Committee of the Whole for broader consideration.

Full Name (Please Print)	Address	E-mail	Signature
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ANNET LABRADOR	58 PINE RIDGE	[REDACTED]	[Signature]
ANDREW LABRADOR	58 PINE RIDGE	[REDACTED]	[Signature]
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**Applicant: FrankFranco Architects**

**Location: 50 Pine Ridge Avenue (Lot A) PLAN M1114 Lot 14**

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John & Tina D'Addese	43 Woodview Rd		
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ANNA ANTA-KIOLI	18 NATTRESS		
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David Zucchet	173 Riverside Dr		
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Teresa Mitto	20 Birch Hill		
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Lido Valente	25 Woodview Rd		
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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [Committee of Adjustment](#); [Clerks@vaughan.ca](mailto:Clerks@vaughan.ca); [Christine Vigneault](#)  
**Subject:** [External] Re: RE: B008/24, A115/24, A116/24 (50 Pine Ridge Avenue)  
**Date:** Wednesday, August 28, 2024 10:29:04 PM

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To whom this may concern,

I am a residence of the community Above. I purchased and built a custom home on Pine Ridge Ave 12 years ago.

I'm written to voice my opinion about the proposed building permits that were issued to this project.

It is clear that the owner has intent of building units for rent in a community that has existed forever in the PINE GROVE AREA. The community has endured multiple change and growth over the last century, but one constant is it never lost its warmth, charm and it's actually sense of community. Residents in this pocket have been here forever and some of their children have also been able to experience and raise their children in the charm of this cottage like community within the city. The community is not opposed to growth, new builds are welcomed; however, a new build with the intention of having a revolving door of temporary citizens is not what this community desires nor deserve .

Many residents have built custom homes which have elevated the value of the area and the value of the homes in the area. Residents are constantly investigating in the properties in the area to maintain both its charm and value. Allowing a rental property to be build is not only a tragedy but it's also an ethically unstable decision by the city planner.

I'm confused as to why the city planner and the department of permits has allowed this to be build in the center of this community. The city of Vaughn is growing, Woodbridge is expanding north, either have the city planner , plan for these rental units to be part of the new build, blend it in, make it compulsory for the builders to put these structures up within the community they are building, the other option is perhaps make some city properties available to those who want to build rentals, again away from existing communities.

My question is why do city planners, and our government feel like the only way to integrate their housing issues into existing communities.

Over and above all if this, not sure how applications to build can be made forth and approved with communities never knowing until a 12"x 12" sign is posted where everyone is supposed to see it. The process is flawed in this way. No citizen in the community has received any notice of any kind and now we are fighting to save our community .

If a building permit was issued for 2 custom built homes , the community would welcome it; however, it's obvious that this is not the case nor will it ever be. The plans are buried deep and unless you know where and who to speak to, you never know until either it goes to the comity of adjustments and if the build has started . This will create many unwanted issues and in the long run may actually contribute to many negativities within the neighbourhood including the devaluation of all our homes.

Looking forward to meeting and speaking to a few city officials  
Regards

**From:**

**Cc:**

Christine Vigneault; Adriano Volpentesta; Clerks@vaughan.ca; Niloufar Youssefi;

**Subject:**

[External] Re: File No A115/24 & A116/24 - 50 Pine Ridge Ave (Lot A & Lot B)) PLAN M1114 Lot 14

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Members of the Committee of Adjustment,

I am following up on the email below from our neighbour, Ms. Mancuso.

I echo her words below. The impact on our neighbourhood would be colossal.

Furthermore, the fact that the residents were only notified a few weeks ago re a variance, with no prior notification of any sort, is in of itself, non compliant.

There has been a surmounting pressure on Islington Ave. in recent years and the aggressive development cannot be sustained by the land.

It was not that long ago that this neighbourhood was flooded. The greens space and environmental impact cannot be ignored.

Regards,

Michelle Jorge  
Sent from my iPhone



## SCHEDULE D: BACKGROUND

None