



**File:** A182/21

**Applicant:** Vince Tarola

**Address:** 228 Columbus Ave, Woodbridge

**Agent:** Swimming Pool Builders Inc.  
(Joanna Roberts)

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Commenting Department	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Positive Comment	Condition(s) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Negative Comment	
Committee of Adjustment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Building Standards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Building Inspection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Development Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Development Engineering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Parks, Forestry and Horticulture Operations		
By-law & Compliance		
Financial Planning & Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Fire Department		
TRCA		
Ministry of Transportation		
Region of York	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Alectra (Formerly PowerStream)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Public Correspondence (see Schedule B)		

Adjournment History: None

Background History: None

Staff Report Prepared By: Adriana MacPherson  
Hearing Date: Wednesday, December 8, 2021

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**Minor Variance Application**

Agenda Item: 10

**A182/21**

Ward: 3

**Staff Report Prepared By: Adriana MacPherson, Assistant Secretary Treasurer**

**Date & Time of Live Stream Hearing:** Wednesday, December 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

As a result of COVID-19, Vaughan City Hall and all other City facilities are closed to the public at this time.

A live stream of the meeting is available at [Vaughan.ca/LiveCouncil](http://Vaughan.ca/LiveCouncil)

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Written comments or requests to make a deputation must be received by noon on the last business day before the meeting.

**Applicant:** Vince Tarola

**Agent:** Swimming Pool Builders Inc. (Joanna Roberts)

**Property:** **228 Columbus Ave, Woodbridge**

**Zoning:** The subject lands are zoned R1, Residential and subject to the provisions of Exception 9(589) under By-law 1-88 as amended.

**OP Designation:** Vaughan Official Plan 2010 ('VOP 2010'): "Low-Rise Residential"

**Related Files:** None

**Purpose:** Relief from By-law 1-88, as amended, is being requested to permit the construction of a proposed cabana to be located in the rear yard.

The following variances are being requested from By-Law 1-88, as amended, to accommodate the above proposal:

By-law Requirement	Proposal
A minimum rear yard setback of 7.5 metres is required. [Exception 9(589)]	To permit a minimum rear yard setback of 2.59 metres to an accessory structure (cabana).

**Background (previous applications approved by the Committee on the subject land):** None

For information on the previous approvals listed above please visit [www.vaughan.ca](http://www.vaughan.ca). To search for a file number, enter it using quotes around it. For example, "A001/17".

To search property address, enter street number and street name using quotes. For example, "2141 Major Mackenzie". Do not include street type (i.e. drive).

**Adjournment History:** None

**Staff & Agency Comments**

Please note that staff/agency comments received after the preparation of this Report will be provided as an addendum item to the Committee. Addendum items will shall only be received by the Secretary Treasurer until **noon** on the last business day **prior** to the day of the scheduled Meeting.

Public notice was mailed on November 23, 2021

Applicant confirmed posting of signage on November 19, 2021

Property Information	
Existing Structures	Year Constructed
Dwelling	1988
Cabana	TBC

Applicant has advised that they cannot comply with By-law for the following reason(s):  
not enough space for the cabana in the rear yard unless we encroach on the required setback. zoning laws require 7.5m rear yard setback and we need to encroach on that to have a setback of 2.59m

Committee of Adjustment recommended conditions of approval:

**Adjournment Request / File Review History:**

N/A

**Building Standards (Zoning Review):**

Stop Work Order(s) and Order(s) to Comply: There are no outstanding Orders on file.

Building Permit No. 21-100773 for Shed/Gazebo - New - (Not Yet Issued)

Other Comments:

1. The retaining wall shall comply with Subsection 4.1.1 j), Accessory Buildings and Structures. The Applicant confirms that compliance will be achieved.
2. The applicant shall be advised that additional variances may be required upon review of detailed drawing for building permit.

**Building Inspections (Septic):**

No comments or concerns

**Development Planning:**

Planning Department recommends approval of this application.  
Please see Schedule C for Development Planning comments/conditions.

**Development Engineering:**

The Development Engineering (DE) Department does not object to variance application A182/21.

**Parks Development - Forestry:**

No comments received to date.

**By-Law and Compliance, Licensing and Permit Services:**

No comments received to date

**Development Finance:**

No comment no concerns

**Fire Department:**

No comments received to date

**Schedule A – Plans & Sketches**

**Schedule B – Public Correspondence**

None

**Schedule C - Development Planning & Agency Comments**

Development Planning Department - No concerns or objections  
Alectra (Formerly PowerStream) – No concerns or objections  
Region of York – No concerns or objections

**Schedule D - Previous Approvals (Notice of Decision)**

None

**Staff Recommendations:**

Staff and outside agencies (i.e. TRCA) act as advisory bodies to the Committee of Adjustment. Comments received are provided in the form of recommendations to assist the Committee.

The Planning Act sets the criteria for authorizing minor variances to the City of Vaughan's Zoning By-law. Accordingly, review of the application considers 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.

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: N/A

### **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. 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.

### **Please Note:**

Relief granted from the City's Zoning By-law is determined to be the building envelope considered and approved by the Committee of Adjustment.

Development outside of the approved building envelope (subject to this application) must comply with the provisions of the City's Zoning By-law or additional variances may be required.

Elevation drawings are provided to reflect the style of roof to which building height has been applied (i.e. flat, mansard, gable etc.) as per By-law 1-88 and the Committee of Adjustment approval. Please note, that architectural design features (i.e. window placement), that do not impact the style of roof approved by the Committee, are not regulated by this decision.

### **Notice to the Applicant – 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.

That the payment of the City 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 Charges By-law in effect at the time of payment.

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 to Public

**PLEASE NOTE:** As a result of COVID-19, Vaughan City Hall and all other City facilities are closed to the public at this time.

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION DURING OFFICE CLOSURE:** Any person who supports or opposes this application, but is unable to attend the hearing, may make a written submission, together with reasons for support or opposition. Written submissions on an Application shall only be received until **noon** on the last business day **prior** to the day of the scheduled hearing. Written submissions can be mailed and/or emailed to:

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Presentations to the Committee are generally limited to 5 minutes in length. Please note that Committee of Adjustment meetings may be audio/video recorded. Your name, address comments and any other personal information will form part of the public record pertaining to this application.

**PUBLIC RECORD:** Personal information 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.

**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.

**For further information please contact the City of Vaughan, Committee of Adjustment**

**Adriana MacPherson**

T 905 832 8585 Extension x8360

E [CofA@vaughan.ca](mailto:CofA@vaughan.ca)

## **Schedule A: Plans & Sketches**

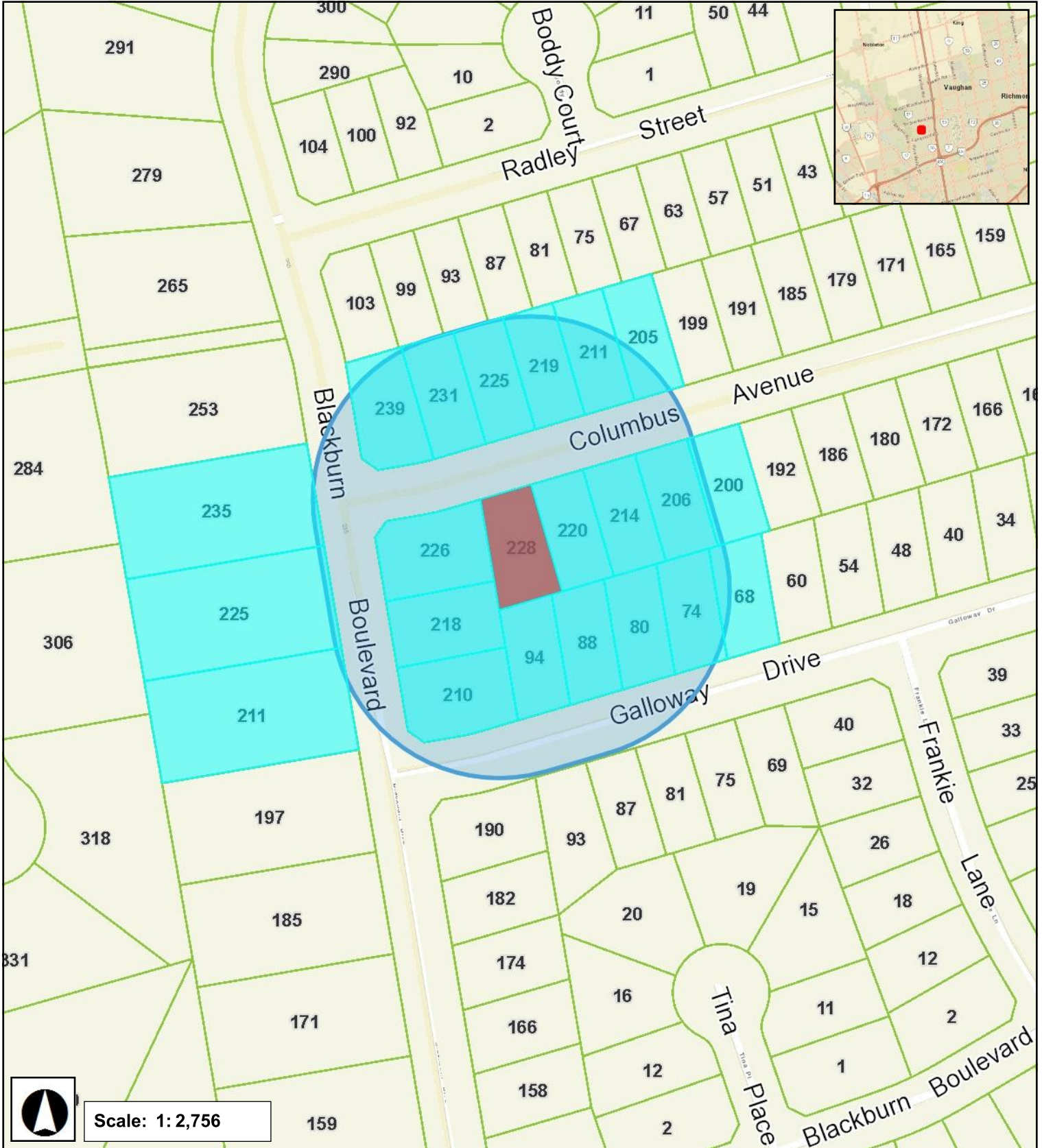
Please note that the correspondence listed in Schedule A is not comprehensive. Plans & sketches received after the preparation of this staff report will be provided as an addendum.

**Location Map  
Plans & Sketches**



# A182/21 - Notification Map

228 Columbus Avenue, Woodbridge



Weston Road

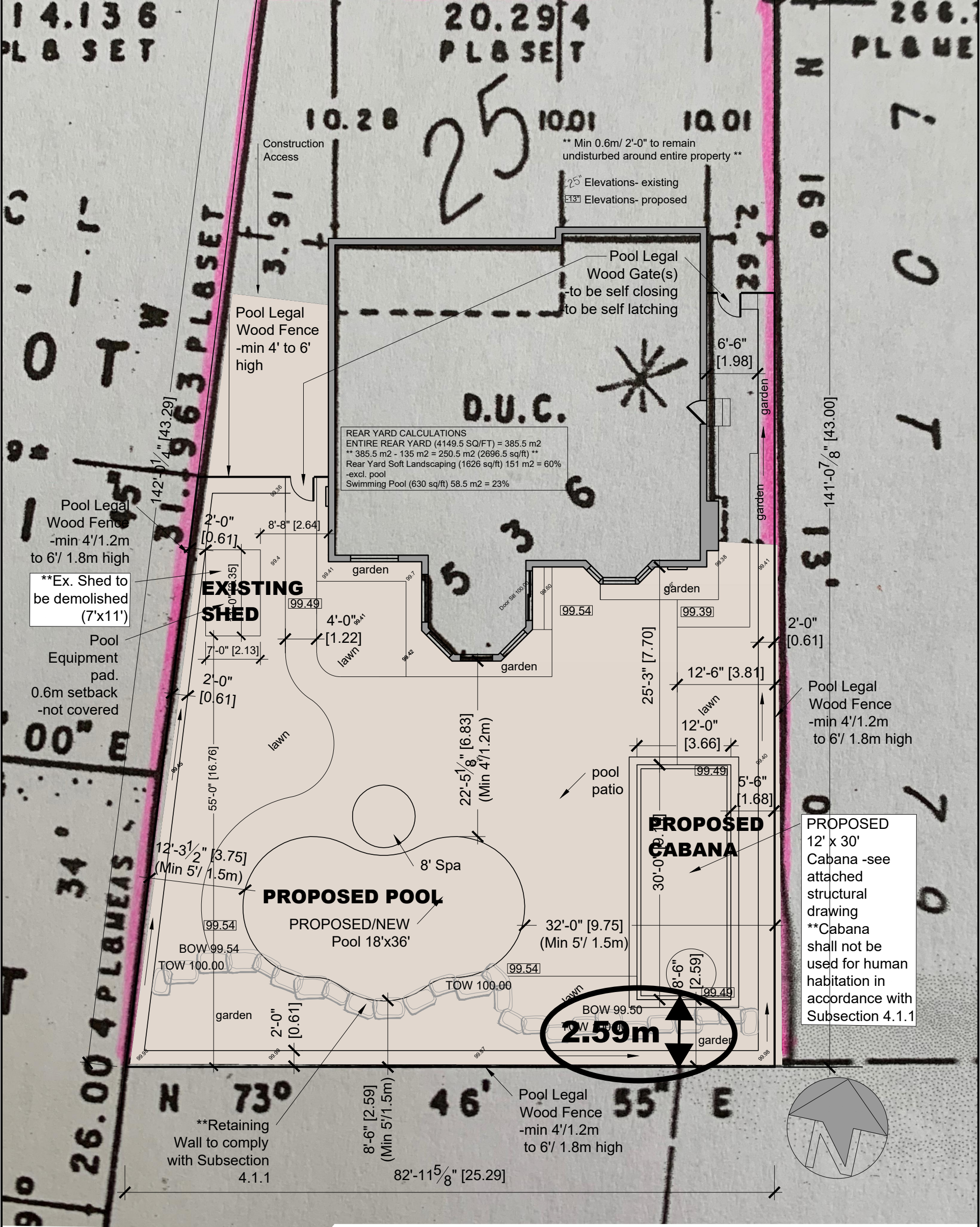
Langstaff Road

November 23, 2021 10:32 AM

# COLUMBUS AVENUE

**A182/21**

**Proposal:**  
 1. To permit a minimum rear yard setback of 2.59 metres to an accessory structure (cabana).



**REAR YARD CALCULATIONS**  
 ENTIRE REAR YARD (4149.5 SQ/FT) = 385.5 m2  
 \*\* 385.5 m2 - 135 m2 = 250.5 m2 (2696.5 sq/ft) \*\*  
 Rear Yard Soft Landscaping (1626 sq/ft) 151 m2 = 60%  
 -excl. pool  
 Swimming Pool (630 sq/ft) 58.5 m2 = 23%

**\*\*Ex. Shed to be demolished (7'x11')**

**PROPOSED 12' x 30' Cabana** - see attached structural drawing  
**\*\*Cabana shall not be used for human habitation in accordance with Subsection 4.1.1**

**2.59m**

**LOT CALCULATIONS:**  
 ENTIRE LOT = 949.3 sq/m (10218 sq/ft)  
 HOUSE = 206.8 sq/m (2226 sq/ft) = 21.8%  
 CABANA = 33.45 sq/m (360 sq/ft) = 3.5%  
 25.3% Total coverage

**NOTES:**  
 ZONING SEARCH RECOMMENDED PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION



0'-0" EXISTING GRADES  
 0'-0" PROPOSED GRADES

\* NO GRADES ARE TO BE ALTERED WITHIN 24" OF PROPERTY LINES  
 \* CONCEPTUAL DRAWING - DO NOT SCALE

**Residence**  
 228 Columbus Ave  
 Vaughan, On

Designer: SB  
 Date: Mar 31, 2021  
 Scale: 1:150  
 Drawing: Concept A2



## **Schedule B: Public Correspondence Received**

Please note that the correspondence listed in Schedule B is not comprehensive. Written submissions received after the preparation of this staff report will be provided as an addendum.

**None**

## **Schedule C: Agency Comments**

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**Development Planning Department - No concerns or objections**  
**Alectra (Formerly PowerStream) – No concerns or objections**  
**Region of York – No concerns or objections**

**To:** Christine Vigneault, Committee of Adjustment Secretary Treasurer  
**From:** Nancy Tuckett, Director of Development Planning  
**Date:** December 08, 2021  
**Name of Owner:** Vince and Pasqua Tarola  
**Location:** 228 Columbus Avenue  
**File No.(s):** A182/21

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**Proposed Variance(s) (By-law 1-88):**

1. To permit a minimum rear yard setback of 2.59 m to an accessory structure (Cabana).

**By-Law Requirement(s) (By-law 1-88):**

1. A minimum rear yard setback of 7.5 m is required. [Exception 9(589)].

**Official Plan:**

City of Vaughan Official Plan 2010 ('VOP 2010'): "Low-Rise Residential"

**Comments:**

The Owner is proposing to construct a cabana in the rear yard with the above-noted variance.

The Development Planning Department has no concern with the requested rear yard setback. The proposed cabana meets all other requirements under the Zoning By-law and will have minimal visual impacts to neighbouring properties.

Accordingly, the Development Planning Department is of the opinion that the proposal is minor in nature, maintains the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law, and is desirable for the appropriate development of the land.

**Recommendation:**

The Development Planning Department recommends approval of the application.

**Conditions of Approval:**

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

None

**Comments Prepared by:**

Michael Torres, Planner I  
Chris Cosentino, Senior Planner



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### COMMENTS:

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

Alectra Utilities (formerly PowerStream) has received and reviewed the proposed Variance 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:

Mr. Stephen Cranley, C.E.T  
Supervisor, Distribution Design, ICI & Layouts (North)  
**Phone:** 1-877-963-6900 ext. 31297

Mr. Tony D'Onofrio  
Supervisor, Subdivisions (Alectra East)  
**Phone:** 1-877-963-6900 ext. 24419

**E-mail:** [stephen.cranley@alectrautilities.com](mailto:stephen.cranley@alectrautilities.com)

**Email:** [tony.donofrio@alectrautilities.com](mailto:tony.donofrio@alectrautilities.com)

## Adriana MacPherson

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**Subject:** FW: A182/21 - Request for Comments (228 Columbus Avenue, Vaughan)

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**From:** Development Services <developmentsservices@york.ca>

**Sent:** November-08-21 10:58 AM

**To:** Adriana MacPherson <Adriana.MacPherson@vaughan.ca>

**Cc:** Committee of Adjustment <CofA@vaughan.ca>

**Subject:** [External] RE: A182/21 - Request for Comments (228 Columbus Avenue, Vaughan)

Good morning Adriana,

The Regional Municipality of York has completed its review of the above minor variance and has no comment.

*Gabrielle*

**Gabrielle Hurst mcip rpp** | Community Planning and Development Services | The Regional Municipality of York | 1-877  
464 9675 ext 71538 | [gabrielle.hurst@york.ca](mailto:gabrielle.hurst@york.ca) | [www.york.ca](http://www.york.ca)