

City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7911-0274-00

Planning Report Date: December 12, 2011

PROPOSAL:

• Development Variance Permit

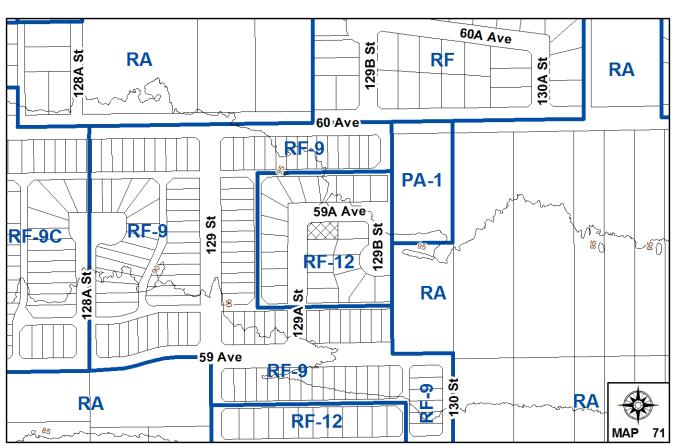
in order to preserve an existing 90 cm dbh red cedar tree in the rear yard.

LOCATION: 5944 - 129A Street

OWNER: Ajeet Bains

ZONING: RF-12
OCP DESIGNATION: Urban

NCP DESIGNATION: Small lot (10 upa)



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RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

• Approval for Development Variance Permit to proceed to Public Notification.

DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

• The applicant is requesting a variance to the front yard setback of the RF-12 Zone in order to preserve an existing 90 cm dbh red cedar tree in the rear yard.

RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- The existing tree in the rear yard is a 90 cm dbh red cedar tree in good condition.
- Based on FAR, the maximum allowable house size for this lot is 2,800 sq ft. However, the tree protection area registered on title under BB1209042, in conjunction with the standard front yard setback of the RF-12 Zone, limits the buildable area to a 2,101 sq ft. dwelling with a single-car garage.
- In order to accommodate a single family dwelling of a reasonable size with a two-car garage and preserve the existing tree in the rear yard, the DVP is supported.

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RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that:

- 1. Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0274-00 (Appendix IV) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
 - (a) to reduce the minimum front yard setback of the RF-12 Zone from 6 metres (20 ft.) to 4 metres (13 ft.)*
 - * The *front yard setback* of the *principal building* may be reduced to a minimum of 2.0 m [6ft. 6 in.] for up to 50% of the width of the front of the *principal building*.

REFERRALS

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the project.

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Vacant lot.

Adjacent Area:

Direction	Existing Use	OCP/NCP Designation	Existing Zone
North (Across 129A Street):	Single family dwelling.	Urban / Small lot (10 upa)	RF-12
East (Across 59A Avenue):	Single family dwelling.	Urban / Small lot (10 upa)	RF-12
South:	Vacant lot.	Urban / Small lot (10 upa)	RF-12
West:	Single family dwelling.	Urban / Small lot (10 upa)	RF-12

DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

- The subject site, and RF-12 lot, was created under application No. 7904-0329-00. As a condition of subdivision approval, a Section 219 Restrictive Covenant for Tree Preservation was registered against the title of the land.
- The maximum allowable square footage for this lot would be 2,800 sq ft if it were not encumbered by the no-build tree preservation area.
- The no-build tree preservation area extends 8.897 metres into the rear yard for the westerly 9.405 of the lot and encompasses 79.6 m². This limits the buildable area to a 2,101 sq ft. dwelling with a single-car garage.

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• The applicant is requesting a variance to the front-yard setback in order to accommodate a single family dwelling of a reasonable size with a double-car garage, and continues to preserve the existing tree in the rear yard.

BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

(a) Requested Variance:

- To reduce the minimum front yard setback of the RF-12 Zone from 6 metres (20 ft.) to 4 metres (13 ft.)*
 - * The *front yard setback* of the *principal building* may be reduced to a minimum of 2.0 m [6ft. 6 in.] for up to 50% of the width of the front of the *principal building*.

Applicant's Reasons:

• The tree protection area registered on title under BB1209042, in conjunction with the standard front yard setback of the RF-12 Zone, limits the buildable area to a 2,101 sq ft. dwelling with a single-car garage. The building size is considerably less than the other dwellings in the subdivision, all of which have double-car garages.

Staff Comments:

- In order to accommodate a single family dwelling of a reasonable size with a two-car garage and preserve the existing tree in the rear yard, the DVP is supported.
- The DVP will reduce the number of on-site parking spots by one. The reduced front-yard setback will eliminate the possibility of parking on the driveway; however the two-car garage will provide one more parking spot than would be achieved without the DVP. Despite the net loss of one parking spot, the minimum on-site parking requirement of the RF-12 Zone is achieved.

INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Lot Owners, Action Summary

Appendix II. Subdivision Layout

Appendix III. Explanatory Plan of Tree Preservation RC (BB1209042)

Appendix IV. Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0274-00

original signed by Nicholas Lai

Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

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<u>Information for City Clerk</u>

Legal Description and Owners of all lots that form part of the application:

1. (a) Agent: Name: Anoop Bains

Address: 14021 - 34A Avenue

Surrey BC V₄P oA8

Tel: 778-292-0667

2. Properties involved in the Application

(a) Civic Address: 5944 - 129A Street

(c) Civic Address: 5944 - 129A Street
Owner: Ajeet S Bains
PID: 028-041-917

Lot 48 Section 8 Township 2 New Westminster District Plan BCP42159

3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office

(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7911-0274-00

CITY OF SURREY

(the "City")

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7911-0274-00

Issued To: AJEET S BAINS

("the Owner")

Address of Owner: 14021 - 34A Avenue

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- 1. This development variance permit is issued subject to compliance by the Owner with all statutes, by-laws, orders, regulations or agreements, except as specifically varied by this development variance permit.
- 2. This development variance permit applies to that real property including land with or without improvements located within the City of Surrey, with the legal description and civic address as follows:

Parcel Identifier: 028-041-917 Lot 48 Section 8 Township 2 New Westminster District Plan BCP42159

5944 -129A Street

(the "Land")

- 4. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
 - (a) In Section F of Part 17A Single Family Residential (12) Zone (RF-12), the minimum front yard setback is reduced from 6 metres (20 ft.) to 4 metres (13 ft.) for the *principal building*, and from 4 metres (13 ft.) to 2 metres (6 ft. 6 in.) for up to 50% of the width of the front of the *principal building*.
- 5. The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this development variance permit.
- 6. This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any construction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within two (2) years after the date this development variance permit is issued.

7.	The terms of this development variance perm persons who acquire an interest in the Land.	nit or any amendment to it, are binding on all			
8.	This development variance permit is not a building permit.				
	ORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE CO D THIS DAY OF , 20 .	UNCIL, THE DAY OF , 20 .			
		Mayor – Dianne L. Watts			
		City Clerk – Jane Sullivan			

