

City of Surrey<br>PLANNING \& DEVELOPMENT REPORT<br>File: 7913-0052-00

Planning Report Date: April o8, 2013

## PROPOSAL:

- Development Variance Permit
in order to vary the maximum permitted height of a proposed single family dwelling

LOCATION:
OWNER:

ZONING:
OCP DESIGNATION: Urban
LAP DESIGNATION: Urban Residential


## RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

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


## DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

- Seeking increase in height of a principal building with a roof slope of less than 1:4 is requested to permit construction of a new dwelling on subject property.


## RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- The proposed dwelling and roofline is well articulated and architecturally interesting, and proposes high quality building materials.
- The applicants have demonstrated some community support for the proposed building height.


## RECOMMENDATION

The Planning \& Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7913-0052-oo (Appendix IV) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
(a) to vary the maximum permitted height of a principal building with a roof slope less than 1:4 under the "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)" from 7.3 metres ( 24 ft .) to 9.7 metres ( 32 ft .).

## REFERRALS

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

## SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: $\quad$ Single Family Residential (previous dwelling has been demolished)
Adjacent Area:

| Direction | Existing Use | OCP/LAP Designation | Existing Zone |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| North: | Residential: single family <br> dwelling | Urban / Urban Residential | RF |
| East: | Residential: single family <br> dwelling | Urban / Urban Residential | RF |
| South: | Residential: single family <br> dwelling | Urban / Urban Residential | RF |
| West (Across 132B St): | Residential: single family <br> dwelling | Urban / Urban Residential | RF |

## DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

## Background

- The subject site is located on 132B Street, south of Marine Drive in South Surrey. It is designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and "Urban Residential" in the Semiahmoo Peninsula Local Area Plan. The property is zoned "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)".
- The applicants have owned the property since 2007 and they have recently demolished the previous dwelling.


## Current Proposal

- Applicants have applied for a Building Permit to build new house on existing lot.
- The proposed new house has approximately the same footprint as the previous house, with a change to the driveway location.
- The proposed roof structure is a "butterfly roof" with the higher ends of the roof facing the front and back yards.
- Through the Building Permit process, height of building was identified as non-compliant with Zoning By-law. Given the uniqueness of the roof design, the applicant was directed to apply for a Development Variance Permit.
- Applicants have included more sustainable features in the proposed dwelling:
o Low E windows and doors; and
o Solar system planned for lower electrical consumption and with butterfly roof line these panels should be out of sight from neighbours view (this would not be the case with a pitch roof).


## BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

(a) Requested Variance:

- To vary the maximum building height from $7.3 \mathrm{~m}(24 \mathrm{ft})$ to $9.7 \mathrm{~m}(32 \mathrm{ft})$.


## Applicants' Reasons:

- Applicants feel that this butterfly roof, with the contemporary house style, will not only provide a lower impact to the neighbourhood with respect to roofline height but adds a unique design element to the neighbourhood. This roof will also help hide the proposed solar system panels from public view.


## Staff Comments:

- The Zoning By-Law allows for single family dwellings with pitched roofs to have maximum heights of up to $9 \mathrm{~m}(30 \mathrm{ft})$. Where the roof slope is $1: 4$ or lower, however, the maximum permitted height of the building is reduced to $7.3 \mathrm{~m}(24 \mathrm{ft})$. This height limitation is intended to encourage higher gable roofs and minimize the visual impact of a flat-roofed structure.
- The way in which building height is measured, however, does not take into account a "butterfly roof" or "reverse gable roof" design, as is proposed with the current house design.
- The proposed dwelling and roofline is well articulated and architecturally interesting, with high quality building materials.
- Although the height of the roof is $9.7 \mathrm{~m}(32 \mathrm{ft})$, the height to the mid-point is only $8.5 \mathrm{~m}(28 \mathrm{ft})$.
- The proposed Development Variance Permit is applicable only to the proposed building design.
- The applicants have also consulted with several adjacent neighbours along 132B Street regarding their opinions on the design and building height, and have obtained support for the proposal (Appendix III).
- Staff supports the requested variance to proceed to public notification.


## INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:
Appendix I. Lot Owners, Action Summary and Project Data Sheets
Appendix II. Building Elevations and Perspective
Appendix III. Map of area identifying properties that have signed their support to the project
Appendix IV. Development Variance Permit No. 7913-0052-oo
original signed by Nicholas Lai
Jean Lamontagne
General Manager
Planning and Development

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## Information for City Clerk

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

1. (a) Agent: Name: Brian Singleton
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Address: } & \text { 1320-132B Street } \\ & \text { Surrey, BC V4A 4C3 }\end{array}$
Tel: $\quad$ 604-531-7377-Work
604-531-7377 - Home
2. Properties involved in the Application
(a) Civic Address: 1320-132B Street
(b) Civic Address: 1320 - 132B Street

Owner: Jennifer Y Singleton
Brian W Singleton
PID: 005-401-143
Lot 5 Section 8 Township 1 New Westminster District Plan 1760
3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office
(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7913-0052-oo and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for an indication of support by Council. If supported, the Development Variance Permit will be brought forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

## DEVELOPMENT DATA SHEET

Proposed/Existing Zoning: RF

| Required Development Data | Minimum Required / Maximum Allowed | Proposed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOT AREA* (in square metres) |  |  |
| Gross Total | $560 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ (min.) | $763 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ (unchanged) |
| Road Widening area | n/a | n/a |
| Undevelopable area | n/a | n/a |
| Net Total | $560 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ (min.) | $763 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ |
|  |  |  |
| LOT COVERAGE (in \% of net lot area) |  |  |
| Buildings \& Structures | 40\% | 30\% |
| Paved \& Hard Surfaced Areas |  |  |
| Total Site Coverage | 40\% | 30\% |
|  |  |  |
| SETBACKS ( in metres) |  |  |
| Front | 7.5 m | 9.84 m |
| Rear | 7.5 m | 10.35 m |
| Side \#1 (S) | 1.8 m | 3.05 m |
| Side \#2 (N) | 1.8 m | 1.83 m |
|  |  |  |
| BUILDING HEIGHT (in metres/storeys) |  | 2 story |
| Principal | 7.4 m | 9.7 m |
| Accessory | 4 m | - |
|  |  |  |
| NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS | 1 | 1 |
| Bachelor | n/a | n/a |
| One Bed | n/a | n/a |
| Two Bedroom | n/a | n/a |
| Three Bedroom + | n/a | n/a |
| Total | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |
| FLOOR AREA: Residential | $330 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ | $330 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ |
|  |  |  |
| TOTAL BUILDING FLOOR AREA |  |  |

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## Development Data Sheet cont'd

| Required Development Data | Minimum Required / Maximum Allowed | Proposed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| DENSITY |  |  |
| \# of units/ha /\# units/acre (gross) | 1 dwelling unit / acre | 1 dwelling unit / acre |
| \# of units/ha /\# units/acre (net) |  |  |
| FAR (gross) | 0.48 or max $330 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ | $330 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ |
| FAR (net) |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| AMENITY SPACE (area in square metres) |  |  |
| Indoor | n/a | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| Outdoor | n/a | n/a |
|  |  |  |
| PARKING (number of stalls) |  |  |
| Commercial | n/a | n/a |
| Industrial | n/a | n/a |
|  |  |  |
| Residential Bachelor +1 Bedroom | n/a | n/a |
| 2 -Bed | n/a | n/a |
| 3-Bed | n/a | n/a |
| Residential Visitors | n/a | n/a |
|  |  |  |
| Institutional | n/a | n/a |
|  |  |  |
| Total Number of Parking Spaces | 2 | 2 |
|  |  |  |
| Number of disabled stalls | n/a | n/a |
| Number of small cars |  |  |
| Tandem Parking Spaces: Number / \% of Total Number of Units | n/a | n/a |
| Size of Tandem Parking Spaces width/length | n/a | n/a |


| Heritage Site | YES/NO | Tree Survey/Assessment Provided | YES/NO |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |







PROPOSED RESIDENCE FOR MR. \& MRS. BRIAN SINGLETON
LOCATION : $1320-132$ B STREET, SURREY, BRITISH COLUMBIA



## DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7913-0052-00
Issued To:
BRIAN W SINGLETON
JENNIFER Y SINGLETON
("the Owner")
Address of Owner: 1320-132B Street
Surrey, BC V4A 4C3

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: 005-401-143
Lot 5 Section 8 Township 1 New Westminster District Plan 1760

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\text { 1320-132B Street } \\
\text { (the "Land") }
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3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
(a) In Section G of Part 16 "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)" the maximum building height is relaxed from $7.3 \mathrm{~m}(24 \mathrm{ft})$ to $9 \mathrm{~m}(30 \mathrm{ft})$ with a sloped roof, as shown on attached Schedule A, which forms part of this permit.
4. This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any construction within two (2) years after the date this development variance permit is issued.
5. The terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.
6. This development variance permit is not a building permit.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF , 2013. ISSUED THIS DAY OF , 2013.

Mayor - Dianne L. Watts

City Clerk - Jane Sullivan
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[^0]:    *If the development site consists of more than one lot, lot dimensions pertain to the entire site.

