

# City of Surrey PLANNING \& DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: <br> 7914-0127-00 

Planning Report Date: September 8, 2014

PROPOSAL:

- Development Variance Permit
in order to permit an existing deck.

LOCATION: $\quad 12423-68$ Avenue

OWNER:
Avtar S. Dhaliwal Kanwaljit Singh

ZONING:
RF
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

- The applicant is seeking to reduce the side yard setback to permit an existing deck.


## RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- The dwelling with the deck extension meets the maximum requirements of lot coverage and results in no increase to FAR under the RF Zone.
- The adjacent neighbour to the east has no objections to retaining the existing deck.


## RECOMMENDATION

The Planning \& Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7914-0127-oo (Appendix III) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
(a) to reduce the minimum east side yard setback of the RF Zone from 1.8 metres (6 feet) to o. 2 metres ( 0.7 feet).

## REFERRALS

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the Development Variance Permit.

## SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Single Family Dwelling

Adjacent Area:

| Direction | Existing Use | OCP/LAP Designation | Existing Zone |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| North, East and West: | Single Family Residential | Urban/ <br> Urban Residential | RF |
| South (Across 68 Avenue): | Single Family Residential | Urban/ <br> Urban Residential | RF-SS |

## DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

## Site Context

- The subject property is located on the north side of 68 Avenue, east of 124 Street. The property is designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and "Urban Residential" in the Newton Local Area Plan (LAP).
- The subject property is currently zoned "Single Family Residential (RF)" and is 660 square metres ( 7,104 square feet) in area. The existing two-storey dwelling has a total floor area of 408 square metres ( 4,397 square feet).
- There is an existing extension of an uncovered deck located on the second storey on the east side of the dwelling. The dimensions of the deck is 3 metres ( 10 feet) wide by 7.5 metres ( 25 feet) deep, and 23 square metres ( 248 square feet) in area. The deck is constructed of wood with metal railings and glass panels. There is direct access to the deck from the dwelling on the second storey and via a staircase from the rear yard.
- The applicant purchased the property in June, 2012 with the existing deck extension. The applicant indicated the deck had been in existence for approximately 3 to 4 years. In May, 2013 a Stop Work Order was posted indicating the deck was built without a valid building permit. Subsequently, the applicant submitted a building permit application to bring the deck into compliance, but the issuance of the building permit has been put on hold pending the approval of a Development Variance Permit.


## Current Proposal

- The applicant is requesting to reduce the east side yard setback from 1.8 metres ( 6 feet) to 0.2 metres ( 0.7 feet) in order to retain the existing uncovered deck extension (Appendix II).
- The deck is supported by three posts 2.3 metres ( 7.5 feet) above the existing grade. The RF Zone requires covered outdoor spaces with a height above 1.8 metres ( 6 feet) be included in the floor area ratio (FAR), with the exception of $10 \%$ of the maximum allowable floor area. In this case, the covered outdoor space below the deck is less than $10 \%$ of the maximum allowable floor area and therefore, does not increase the FAR.
- The covered outdoor space created by the deck does not result in a lot coverage beyond the maximum requirement under the RF Zone.


## BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

(a) Requested Variance:

- To reduce the minimum east side yard setback of the RF Zone from 1.8 metres (6 feet) to 0.2 metres ( 0.7 feet).


## Applicant's Reasons:

- The property was purchased without the knowledge that the deck extension had been constructed without a building permit. The applicant has expressed that financial hardship is preventing the removal of the deck.
- The adjacent neighbour to the east has no objections to retaining the existing deck.
(b) Staff Comments:
- The dwelling with the deck extension meets the maximum requirements of lot coverage and FAR under the RF Zone.
- The applicant has provided a letter from the adjacent neighbour to the east at 12429 68 Avenue indicating that they have no objections with retaining the existing deck.
- Staff supports this application proceeding 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. Site Plan and Building Elevations
Appendix III. Development Permit No. 7914-0127-00
original signed by Nicholas Lai

Jean Lamontagne<br>General Manager<br>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: Avtar S. Dhaliwal

| Address: | $12423-68$ Avenue <br>  <br>  <br> Surrey, $\mathrm{BC} \mathrm{V}_{3} \mathrm{~W}$ <br> 2 C 9 |
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Tel: 604-598-8437
2. Properties involved in the Application
(a) Civic Address: 12423-68 Avenue
(b) Civic Address: 12423-68 Avenue Owner: Kanwaljit Singh

Avtar S Dhaliwal
PID: 015-720-381
Lot 2 Section 18 Township 2 New Westminster District Plan 84506
3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office
(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7914-0139-oo and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

## DEVELOPMENT DATA SHEET

Existing Zoning: RF

| Required Development Data | Minimum Required / Maximum Allowed | Existing |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LOT AREA* (in square metres) |  | $660 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ |
| Gross Total |  |  |
| Road Widening area |  |  |
| Undevelopable area |  |  |
| Net Total |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| LOT COVERAGE (in \% of net lot area) |  |  |
| Buildings \& Structures | 36\% | 34\% |
| Paved \& Hard Surfaced Areas |  |  |
| Total Site Coverage |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| SETBACKS ( in metres) |  |  |
| Front | 7.5 m |  |
| Rear | 7.5 m |  |
| Side \#ı (E) | 1.8 m | 0.2m |
| Side \#2 (W) | 1.8 m |  |
|  |  |  |
| BUILDING HEIGHT (in metres/storeys) |  |  |
| Principal |  |  |
| Accessory |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| NUMBER OF RESIDENTIAL UNITS |  |  |
| Bachelor |  |  |
| One Bed |  |  |
| Two Bedroom |  |  |
| Three Bedroom + |  |  |
| Total |  | 1 |
|  |  |  |
| TOTAL RESIDENTIAL FLOOR AREA |  | $408 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ |


| Heritage Site | NO | Tree Survey/Assessment Provided | N/A |
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* If the development site consists of more than one lot, lot dimensions pertain to the entire site. Development Data Sheet cont'd


APPENDIX II


MAIN FLOOR PLAN


UPPER FLOOR PLAN DECK AREA 247.5 SOTT



(the "City")

## DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7914-0127-oo

| Issued To: | AVTAR S. DHALIWAL <br> KANWALJIT SINGH |
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|  | ("the Owner") |
| Address of Owner: | $12423-68$ Avenue <br> Surrey, BC V3W 2C9 |

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: 015-720-381
Lot 2 Section 18 Township 2 New Westminster District Plan 84506
12423-68 Avenue
(the "Land")
3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended as follows:
(a) In Section F of Part 16 "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)" the minimum east side yard setback is varied from 1.8 metres ( 6 feet) to o. 2 metres ( 0.7 feet).
4. The siting of buildings and structures shall be in accordance with the drawings labelled Schedule A (the "Drawings") which are attached hereto and form part of this development variance permit.
5. This development variance permit applies to only the portion of the buildings and structures on the Land shown on Schedule A which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit. This development variance permit does not apply to additions to, or replacement of, any of the existing buildings shown on attached Schedule A, which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit.
6. The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this development variance permit.
7. 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.
8. The terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.
9. This development variance permit is not a building permit.

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF , зo . ISSUED THIS DAY OF , 20 .

Mayor - Dianne L. Watts

City Clerk - Jane Sullivan



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