City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT Application No.: 7920-0038-00

Planning Report Date: April 20, 2020

PROPOSAL:

• Development Variance Permit

to reduce the minimum width of a building to allow the construction of a single-family dwelling with a secondary suite on a historic narrow lot in Whalley.

LOCATION:	10866 - 130A Street
ZONING:	RF

OCP DESIGNATION: Urban





RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

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

DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

• The applicant is proposing to reduce the minimum width requirement of a building from 7 metres to 6.4 metres to allow for the construction of a single-family dwelling with a secondary suite in the Single Family Residential (RF) Zone (Appendix I).

RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- The proposed new single-family dwelling with secondary suite complies with the Urban designation in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and the General Urban designation in the Metro Vancouver Regional Growth Strategy (RGS).
- The proposed single-family residential density and building form are appropriate for this part of Whalley.
- The subject undersized RF-zoned lot has an existing lot area of 381 square metres and width of 10 metres. It does not meet the minimum lot area requirement of 560 square metres or lot width of 15 metres of the RF Zone.
- The property is an historic RF lot that was created through subdivision in 1912. The subject lot is one of a few undersized RF lots in the Whalley neighbourhood. It is noted that the neighbouring lot the north is of similar size and dimensions.
- It is not possible to meet the minimum 1.8 metre side yard setback requirements of the RF Zone on the lot and still achieve a building width of 7 metres. The proposed 6.4 metre width is the maximum width that can be achieved while still meeting the setback requirements.
- The applicant's proposed house plan demonstrates that the narrower dwelling will retain a suitable streetscape and provides the necessary parking for both the principle dwelling and secondary suite.

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that:

- 1. Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7920-0038-00 (Appendix II) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:
 - (a) to reduce the minimum building width of a single-family dwelling under Part 4 General Provisions, Section E.15, of the Zoning By-law No. 12000, from 7 metres to 6.4 metres.

Direction	Existing Use	OCP Designation	Existing Zone
Subject Site	Single family dwelling	Urban	RF
North:	Single family dwelling	Urban	RF
East:	Institutional	Urban	RF
South:	Single family dwelling	Urban	RF
West (Across 130A Street):	Single family dwelling	Urban	RF

SITE CONTEXT & BACKGROUND

Context & Background

- The 381 square metre subject property is located at 10866 130A Street in Whalley. The subject property is approximately 10 metres in width and 37.83 metres in depth.
- The lot is designated "Urban" under the Official Community Plan and currently zoned "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)" under the Surrey Zoning By-law No. 12000.
- The lot was created through subdivision in 1912 and is undersized based on current zoning standards. It does not meet the minimum lot area requirement of 560 square metres or the minimum lot width of 15 metres of the RF Zone.
- The property was purchased by the current owners in 2011. They have demolished the previous single-family dwelling on the lot and are proposing to build a new single-family dwelling with a secondary suite.
- In order to meet the minimum 1.8 m side yard setback requirements of the RF Zone and still construct a new single family dwelling on the narrow lot, a variance to the minimum building width of 7 metres under Part 4 General Provisions, Section E.15, of the Zoning By-law No. 12000, is necessary.

• Due to the narrow width of the lot, the proposed single-family dwelling will have a tandem garage. The third parking space for the secondary suite will be in front of the attached garage on the driveway.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

Planning Considerations

• The applicant is proposing to reduce the minimum building width for a proposed new singlefamily dwelling on the lot in the Single Family Residential (RF) Zone from 7 metres to 6.4 metres.

Referrals

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

POLICY & BY-LAW CONSIDERATIONS

Regional Growth Strategy

• The subject property is designated General Urban in the Regional Growth Strategy (RGS). The proposed new single-family dwelling complies with the General Urban designation.

Official Community Plan

Land Use Designation

• The subject property is designated Urban in the Official Community Plan (OCP). The proposed new single-family dwelling complies with the Urban designation.

Themes/Policies

• The proposed infill house construction contributes positively to an established neighbourhood context and maintains a suitable streetscape.

Zoning By-law

Building Width Variance

- The applicant is requesting the following variance:
 - to reduce the minimum building width under Part 4 General Provisions, Section E.15, of the Zoning By-law No. 12000, from 7 metres to 6.4 metres.
- The property is a historic lot created by subdivision in 1912 and does not meet current lot area or width standards of the RF Zone.

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- The owners have demolished the previous single-family dwelling on the lot and are proposing to build a new single-family dwelling with a secondary suite. It is not possible to meet the minimum 1.8 metre side yard setback requirements of the RF Zone on the lot and still achieve a building width of 7 metres. The proposed 6.4 metre width is the maximum width that can be achieved while still meeting the setback requirements.
- The applicant's proposed house plan demonstrates that the narrower dwelling will retain a suitable streetscape and provides the necessary parking for both the principle dwelling and secondary suite (total 3 parking spaces).
- Staff support the requested variance to proceed to Public Notification.

INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I.Site Plan and Building ElevationsAppendix II.Development Variance Permit No. 7920-0038-00

approved by Ron Gill

Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

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Appendix







CITY OF SURREY

(the "City")

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7920-0038-00

Issued To:

(the "Owner")

Address of Owner:

- 1. This development variance permit is issued subject to compliance by the Owners 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: 002-297-639 South Half of Lot 8 Section 16 Block 5 North Range 2 West New Westminster District Plan 2305

10866 - 130A Street

(the "Land")

3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:

In Section E.15 of Part 4 General Provisions, the minimum building width of a single family dwelling is reduced from 7 metres to 6.4 metres.

- 4. This development variance permit applies to only that 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.
- 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 permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.
- 8. This development variance permit is not a building permit.

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

Mayor – Doug McCallum

City Clerk – Jennifer Ficocelli

