City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT Application No.: 7920-0215-00

Planning Report Date: November 23, 2020

PROPOSAL:

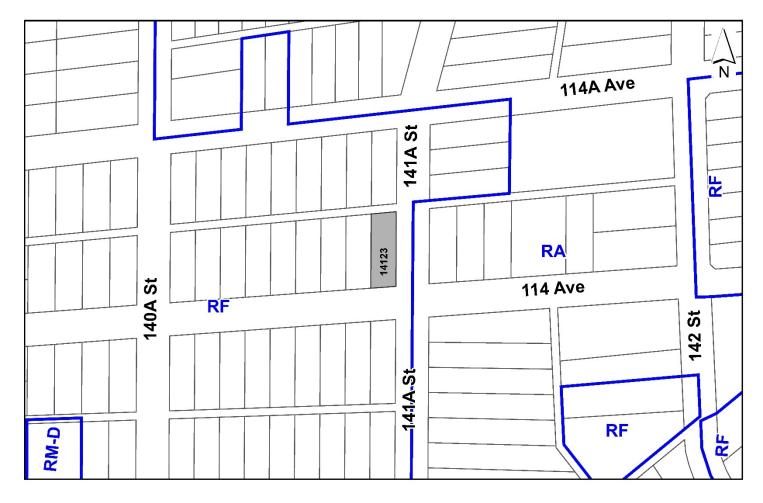
• Development Variance Permit

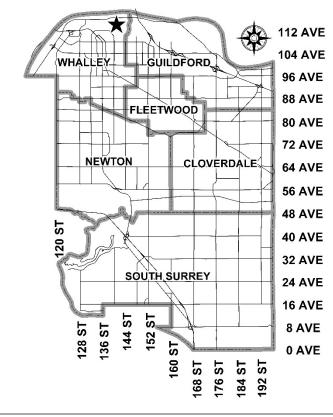
to reduce the side (east) yard on flanking street setback in order to accommodate the construction of a new single-family dwelling on the lot.

LOCATION: 14123 - 114 Avenue

ZONING: RF

OCP DESIGNATION: Urban





RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

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

DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

• Seeking to reduce the side (east) yard on flanking street setback from 3.6 metres to 1.8 metres to accommodate a new single-family dwelling.

RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- The proposed setback will allow for a driveway access to 114 Avenue while also allowing the owner to construct a single family home that maximizes allowable floor area permitted on the lot under the RF Zone.
- The unopened 141A Street road allowance to the east of the subject property is not anticipated to be constructed for the foreseeable future. As such, the reduced side yard on flanking street setback has merit.
- The varied setback will achieve a consistent streetscape with the other existing houses along this section of 114 Avenue.

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7920-0215-00 (Appendix II) to reduce the minimum side (east) yard on flanking street setback of the RF Zone from 3.6 metres to 1.8 metres, for the principal building, to proceed to Public Notification.

SITE CONTEXT & BACKGROUND

Direction	Existing Use	OCP Designation	Existing Zone
Subject Site	Single family dwelling	Urban	RF
North (Across unopened lane):	Single family dwellings	Urban	RF
East (Across unopened 141A Street):	Single family dwellings	Urban	RA
South (Across 114 Avenue):	Single family dwellings	Urban	RF
West:	Single family dwellings	Urban	RF

Context & Background

- The 688 square metre subject property is located at 14123 114 Avenue in Bolivar Heights. The subject property is approximately 15 metres wide and 45 metres deep.
- The lot is designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and currently zoned "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)" under Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended.
- The subject property has an existing single-family dwelling, which utilizes the unconstructed 141A Street road allowance to access a driveway at the rear of the property.
- The property owner is seeking to demolish the existing single family dwelling and to construct a new single family dwelling on the lot. The owner originally contemplated designing the new house with a rear driveway access, similar to the historic driveway configuration for the existing house.
- The owner submitted a Building Permit application that was reviewed by staff, who identified issues with respect to setbacks, driveway location and utilization of an unconstructed road allowance. Staff also identified slope issues with a proposed rear driveway access and instead determined that the driveway access must come from 114 Avenue for new house construction.

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DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL

Planning Considerations

• The applicant is proposing a Development Variance Permit (DVP) to reduce the minimum side (east) yard on flanking street setback of the RF Zone, as the requirement to construct a driveway and garage at the front of the property has impacted the owners ability to construct a single family home that maximizes the allowable floor area on the lot under the RF Zone.

Referrals

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the project

Transportation Considerations

- 141A Street is unconstructed road allowance. There are currently no plans to construct this portion of road.
- The applicant will be required to ensure there are no encroachments within the 141A Street road allowance.
- The driveway is to be located as far as possible from the east property line.

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 redevelopment supports the Sensitive Infill policy of the OCP. The proposed new single family dwelling is appropriate in scale and density to its neighborhood context. The compatible house design reinforces the neighborhood character.

Zoning By-law

• The subject property is zoned RF.

Variances

- The applicant is requesting to reduce the minimum side (east) yard on flanking street setback of the RF Zone from 3.6 metres to 1.8 metres, for the principal building (single family dwelling).
- Due to driveway design standards as per the Master Municipal Construction Document and the City's Design Criteria Manual, a driveway access located at the rear of the property is not feasible as it would exceed the maximum grade of 5%.
- The proposed setback will allow for a driveway access to 114 Avenue while also allowing the owner to construct a single family home that maximizes the allowable floor area permitted on the lot under the RF Zone.
- The unopened 141A Street road allowance to the east of the subject property is not anticipated to be constructed for the foreseeable future. As such, the reduced side yard on flanking street setback has merit.
- The varied setback will achieve a consistent streetscape with the other existing houses along this section of 114 Avenue.
- Staff supports the proposed variance to proceed to Public Notification.

TREES

• Kimberly Dahl, ISA Certified Arborist of Woodridge Tree Consulting Arborists Ltd., prepared an Arborist Assessment for the subject property. The table below provides a summary of the tree retention and removal by tree species:

Tree Species	Ext	isting	Remove	Retain
Deciduous Trees				
(excluding	(excluding Alder and Cottonwood Trees)			
Magnolia		1	1	0
Big Leaf Maple		1	0	1
Coniferous Trees				
Western Red Cedar	1		0	1
Total (excluding Alder and Cottonwood Trees)	3		1	2
Total Replacement Trees Proposed (excluding Boulevard Street Trees)			2	
Total Retained and Replacement Trees		4		
Contribution to the Green City Program		\$800		

Table 1: Summary of Tree Preservation by Tree Species:

- The Arborist Assessment states that there is a total of 4 mature trees on the site, excluding Alder and Cottonwood trees. It was determined that 2 trees can be retained as part of this development proposal. The proposed tree retention was assessed taking into consideration the location of services, building footprints, road dedication and proposed lot grading.
- For those trees that cannot be retained, the applicant will be required to plant trees on a 1 to 1 replacement ratio for Alder and Cottonwood trees, and a 2 to 1 replacement ratio for all other trees. This will require a total of 4 replacement trees on the site. Since only 2 replacement trees can be accommodated on the site, the deficit of 2 replacement trees will require a cash-in-lieu payment of \$800.00, representing \$400 per tree, to the Green City Program, in accordance with the City's Tree Protection By-law.
- In summary, a total of 4 trees are proposed to be retained or replaced on the site with a contribution of \$800.00 to the Green City Program.
- Parks Recreation and Culture is reviewing the proposed city tree (Ci1) removal and will determine a compensation value shortly.

INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

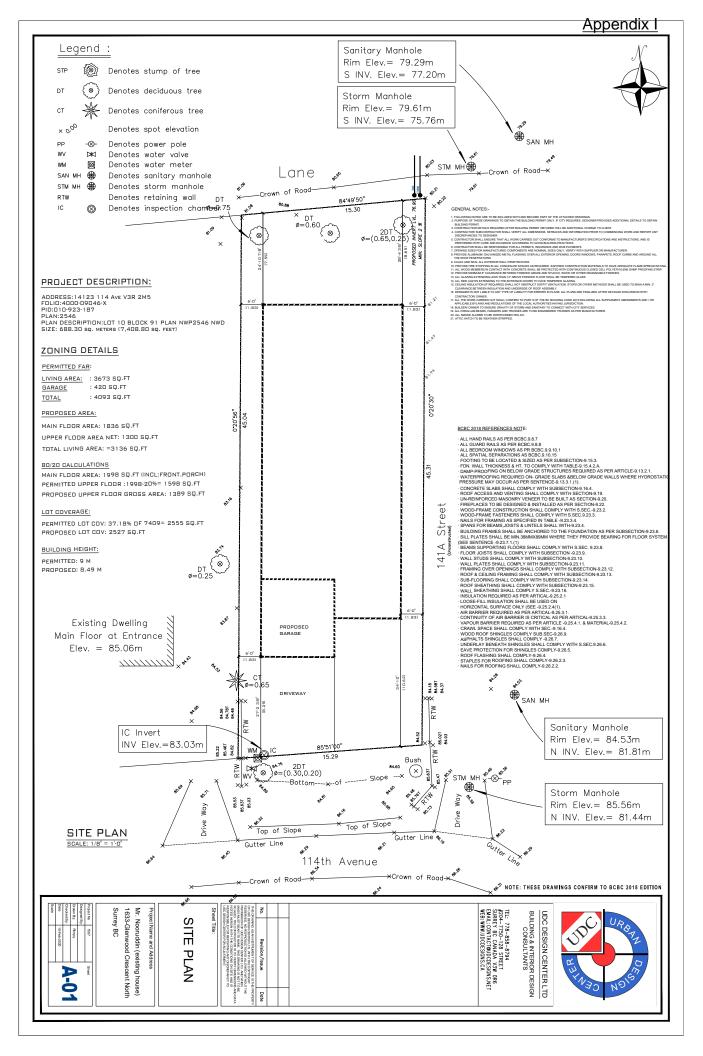
The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I.	Site Plan
Appendix II.	Development Variance Permit
Appendix III.	Summary of Tree Survey and Tree Preservation

approved by Ron Gill

Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

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CITY OF SURREY

Appendix II

(the "City")

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7920-0215-00

Issued To:

(the "Owner")

Address of Owner:

- 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: 010-923-187 Lot 10 Block 91 New Westminster District Plan 2546

14123 - 114 Avenue

(the "Land")

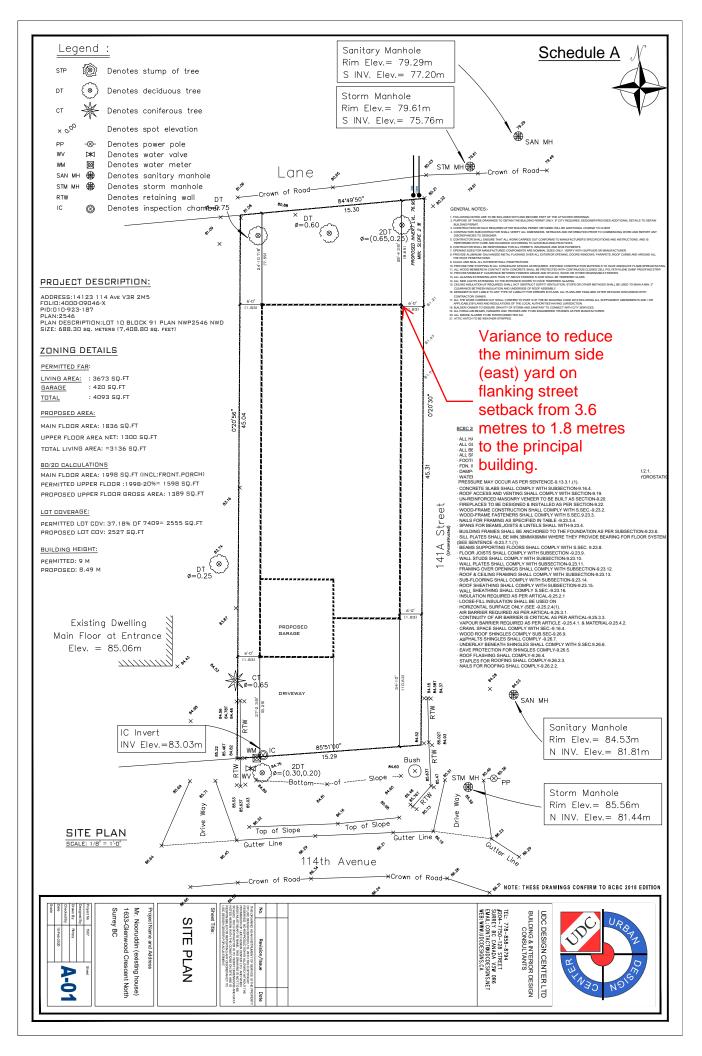
- 3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
 - (a) In Section F of Part 16 "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)", the minimum side (east) yard on flanking street setback for the principal building from the side property line is reduced from 3.6 metres to 1.8 metres.
- 4. This development variance permit applies to only the portion of 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.
- 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



Summary of Tree Preservation by Species

Alders and Cottonwoods			
Tree Species	Existing	Remove	Retain
Total	0	0	0

All Other Deciduous Trees			
Tree Species	Existing	Remove	Retain
Magnolia	1	1	0
Big leaf maple	1	0	1
Total	2		

Coniferous Trees				
Tree Species	Existing	Remove	Retain	
Western red cedar	1	0	1	
Total	1			

Total Deciduous and Coniferous Trees (excluding Alders and Cottonwoods)			
	Existing	Remove	Retain
Total	3	1	2

Replacement Trees	
Total Replacement Trees Proposed	2
Total Retained and Replacement Trees	4

Conclusion

Property, plans and trees have been assessed by an arborist to determine tree management recommendations for construction. Those recommendations follow:

Recommended Tree Removals:

- Tree #ci1 is in poor condition and is recommended for removal regardless of other factors.
- Other tree removal recommendations will depend on coordination with site plans.

Recommended Tree Protection:

• Tree barriers shown on the "Tree Plan for Construction" are to be installed and kept in place during the entire duration of construction.

Service Locations:

• Service locations are specified on the "Tree Plan for Construction"

Next Action:

• Supply the arborist with site plans, tree management details require coordination of plans.

Limitations and Assumptions

- This report was prepared for and on behalf of the client and it is intended solely for their use. Woodridge Tree Consulting Arborists Ltd. shall not accept any liability derived from the partial, unintended, unauthorized or improper use of this report.
- This report is restricted to the subject trees as detailed in the report. No other trees were inspected or assessed as part of the work related to the preparation of this report.
- The accuracy and ownership of the locations of trees, property lines and other site features were not verified by Woodridge Tree. Third party information to the consultant may have been relied upon in the formation of the opinion of the consultant in the preparation of this report, and that information is assumed to be true and correct.
- The use of maps, sketches, photographs and diagrams are intended only as a reference for the readers use in understanding the contents and findings of this report, and are not intended as a representation of fact.
- Approvals from a municipal or senior government agency may be required in relation to certain recommendations and treatments provided in this report. The owner is responsible to make an application for, pay related fees and meet all requirements and conditions for the issuance of such permits, approvals or authorizations.

I certify to the best of my knowledge or belief that:

- staff from this firm have performed site inspections on the dates as stated herein.
- the findings are based on information known to the consultant at that time.
- the statements of fact determined by the consultant are true and correct.

If there are questions regarding the contents of this report please contact our office.

K. Dahl

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