

STAFF REPORT Committee of Adjustment Application

Date:	October 31, 2012
То:	Chair and Committee Members of the Committee of Adjustment Toronto and East York District
From:	Director, Community Planning, Toronto and East York District
Wards:	Ward 22, Toronto - St. Paul's
Reference:	File No. A0438/12TEY, A0437/12TEY & B0047/12TEY Address: 204 Balmoral Ave (0 Popular Plains Road) Application to be heard: November 14, 2012

RECOMMENDATION

Planning Staff respectfully recommends that the Committee refuse variance # 2 of application A0437/12TEY.

APPLICATION

The applications propose to sever the property at 204 Balmoral Ave into two lots. While also seeking relief from the Zoning By-law to construct a new three-storey single-family detached dwelling on the conveyed lot and maintain the existing dwelling on the retained lot.

Variances for: maximum permitted gross floor area; minimum required lot frontage; minimum required lot area; minimum required side yard setback; minimum required side yard setback for the portion of the building that exceeds the 70 m depth; maximum permitted driveway width; minimum permitted driveway width in the front yard; minimum required front area landscape space; and permission for a below-grade garage are requested in this application.

COMMENTS

Planning staff authored a staff report on August 8, 2012, indicating concerns with the side lot line setback variance resulting from the proposed garage on the retained lot and recommended refusal of that variance. The application that is before the Committee is again proposing a 0m side yard setback and Planning staff's concern still remains.

The subject property is designated "Neighbourhoods" in the Official Plan, which is intended to reinforce the existing physical character of surrounding properties. The intent of the Zoning Bylaw is to maintain a stable built form and limit negative impacts on adjacent properties.

The proposed setback of 0 meters does not meet the intent of the by-law as it does not provide sufficient separation distance from the lot line, and can potentially negatively impact the adjacent

property. Planning staff suggests that the integral garage be set back further from the north lot line in order to closer comply with the By-law.

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