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Subject: My comments for 2021.PH22.7 on May 5, 2021 City Council
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To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the May 5, 2021 City Council meeting on item 2021.PH22.7, Update on Committee of Adjustment Virtual Public Hearings

I understand that my comments and the personal information in this email will form part of the public record and that my name will be listed as a correspondent on agendas and minutes of City Council or its committees. Also, I understand that agendas and minutes are posted online and my name may be indexed by search engines like Google.

Comments:

Members of City Council,

The West Rouge Community Association (WRCA) represents approximately 3,100 homes located in the West Rouge neighbourhood in southeast Scarborough.

The WRCA supports the recommendation of the Planning and Housing Committee to direct the Chief Planner and Executive Director, City Planning and the Chief Building Official to conduct a public review of the Committee of Adjustment including establishment of an advisory committee and public engagement to include the following:

- Investigate and address residents' concerns with the current processes;
- Consider alternatives to the Committee of Adjustment process for minor variances and severances;
- Review and revise the Committee of Adjustment processes based on tribunal best practices, and quality assurance review practices; and,
- Education and training of Members (both procedures and substance of the Committee mandate).

The impact of Committee of Adjustment decisions are slowly eroding the character of existing neighbourhoods throughout the City. These applications move forward with limited notice, short timeframes, and few opportunities for engagement.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Kevin Narraway
Past President, West Rouge Community Association