



Board of Variance

Wednesday, May 29, 2019

Place: Council Chambers
Richmond City Hall

Present: Kailin Che
Diana Dickey
Sheng Zhong

Acting Secretary to the Board – Claudia Jesson

Absent: Sheldon Nider
Dalip Sandhu

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

ELECTION OF CHAIR

The Secretary to the Board called for nominations for the election of a Chair to the Board of Variance.

It was moved and seconded

That Diana Dickey be elected as Chair of the Board of Variance.

CARRIED

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Variance held on April 19, 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED

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1. **BOARD OF VARIANCE APPEAL (PHIL AND MICHELE ISAAK – 8351 PIGOTT ROAD)**

(File Ref. No. BV 19-858915) (REDMS No.6176078)

APPLICANT: Michele and Phil Isaak

ADDRESS: 8351 Pigott Road

PURPOSE: The applicant has submitted an appeal to the Board of Variance for the property at 8351 Pigott Road in order to vary the following provisions of Zoning Bylaw 8500:

1. Reduce the minimum required side yard setback (Section 4.7.8) from 1.2 m for portions of the principal building which do not exceed 5.0 m in height to 0 m.

Applicant's Comments

Michele and Phil Isaak provided a brief overview of the application to the Board of Variance and noted that:

- the application is being considered due to an issue with a neighbour from previous years regarding a tree in the backyard;
- an inspector came to the door and advised that a complaint was received regarding their carport and as it is not compliant with the City's zoning bylaws they would be required to submit building plans and seek approval;
- plans were submitted and approved; however the approved design was not feasible as it did not allow enough space to fit the car, therefore they did not change the existing carport;
- the neighbours on either side of their property have been consulted and they received no complaints regarding the carport;
- it is extra storage space for them as well as protecting cars from the weather as they do not have a garage; and
- the issue has re-surfaced recently as the file was still open and an inspector advised that a variance would be required to keep the existing structure.

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Board Discussion

In answer to questions from members of the Board, Mr. and Mrs. Isaak and staff provided the following information:

- the building plans submitted to the City were approved; however not feasible as it does not fit a car;
- the temporary structure that was originally erected was not attractive or structurally sound to withstand various weather types;
- there is a shed in the backyard that is not structurally capable of holding a car; and
- the only concern with the current structure is compliance with the BC Building Code, for that reason there is a 1.2 m setback in place.

Written Submission

None.

Gallery Comments

None.

Board Deliberation

None.

Board Decision

It was moved and seconded

That the appeal application to vary the provisions of Zoning Bylaw 8500 to reduce the minimum required side yard setback (Section 4.7.8) from 1.2 m for portions of the principal building which do not exceed 5.0 m in height to 0 m for 8351 Pigott Road be granted.

CARRIED

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ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded
That the meeting adjourn (7:31 p.m.).

CARRIED

Certified a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the Regular meeting of the
Council of the City of Richmond held on
Wednesday, May 29, 2019.

Diana Dickey
Chair

Claudia Jesson
Acting Secretary to the Board