

# City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7915-0010-00

Planning Report Date: February 23, 2015

## **PROPOSAL:**

## • Development Variance Permit

to vary the lot coverage in order to permit the construction of a single family residence.

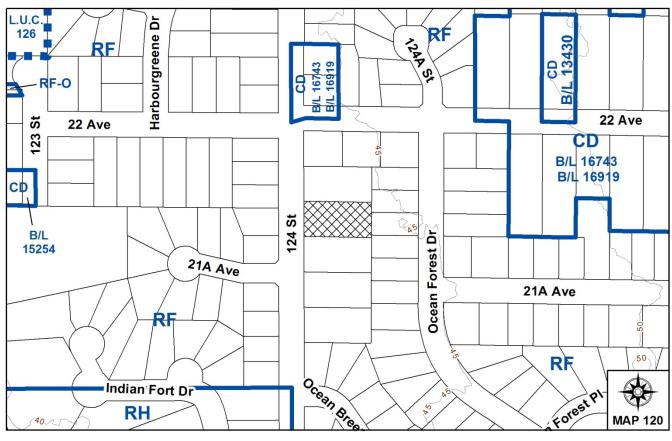
LOCATION: 2162 - 124 Street

**OWNER:** Beverley A Ackerman

Edwin A Ackerman

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 seeking a variance to increase the permitted lot coverage from 18% to 27.2%.

## **RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION**

- The design of the house is such that the majority of the living space is located on the main level.
- The proposal complies with all other requirements of the "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)" including FAR, setbacks, building height and off-street parking.
- No trees will be removed to accommodate the proposed construction.
- The subject property is relatively large and could potentially be subdivided into 2 lots. Under this scenario, the RF zone would permit a lot coverage of 34% for each lot. The applicant is proposing a lot coverage of 27.2% on the subject property, which is 7% less coverage than what could be achieved on two subdivided lots.
- The proposed siting of the house maintains a substantial setback of 22.6 m (74 ft.) from the rear property line, exceeding the minimum requirement of 7.5 m (25 ft.).
- The proposed lot coverage remains significantly lower than the lot coverage of the existing dwellings on the lots to the west across 124 Street and directly behind the subject property to the east along Ocean Forest Drive.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0010-00 (Appendix III) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:

(a) to increase the maximum lot coverage in the Single Family Residential (RF) Zone from 18% to 27.2%.

#### **REFERRALS**

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

## **SITE CHARACTERISTICS**

Existing Land Use: Single Family Residential

## Adjacent Area:

Direction	Existing Use	OCP/NCP Designation	<b>Existing Zone</b>
North, East, South & West:	Single Family Residential	Urban	RF

## **DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

## **Site Context**

- The subject property is located on the east side of 124 Street, south of 22 Avenue, in the Ocean Park neighbourhood. The property is designated as "Urban" in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and is zoned "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)".
- The subject property is quite large at 1,503 m<sup>2</sup> (16,177 sq. ft.) in area. There is an existing single storey dwelling on the property, to be demolished.

## **Current Proposal**

- The applicant is proposing to construct a new 439.3 m² (4,729 sq. ft.) home on the subject property. The new home will include a two car garage, a covered porch at the front of the house and a covered patio at the rear. The majority of living space will be located on the main floor, including kitchen, dining area, great room, master bedroom and a second bedroom. The upper floor is proposed to have two bedrooms and a bonus room. No basement or secondary suite is proposed.
- Recent changes to the RF zone have amended the maximum lot coverage from 40% to a sliding scale ranging from 18-40% based on lot size (By-Law No. 17989, adopted July 29, 2013).

• The applicant proposes to increase the lot coverage from 18% to 27.2% to accommodate the desired main floor plan.

• The proposed floor area of  $439.3 \text{ m}^2$  (4,729 sq. ft.) is within the maximum allowable floor area of  $464.5 \text{ m}^2$  (5,000 sq. ft.) for the subject property.

#### PRE-NOTIFICATION

No pre-notification is required; however, the applicants conducted their own informal prenotification, providing the neighbouring residents with background information, a description of the design of the home, the reasons for applying for the variance, and a copy of the proposed design drawings. This pre-notification took place over an approximately 1 week period beginning January 6, 2015. All neighbours with common property lines to the subject property as well as three neighbours to the west across 124 Street were contacted.

Initial contact was made by telephone. Neighbours that could not be reached immediately were left a detailed telephone message. The applicant then hand delivered copies of the building plans and spoke in person to those neighbours that were available. Each neighbour was provided with the building plans attached as Appendix II of this report.

The pre-notification was conducted prior to submitting this development application.

In response to the pre-notification we have been contacted by one of the owners expressing concern that the proposed house is much larger than other homes in the neighbourhood and that the proposed height of the house (9 m/30 ft.), which conforms to the RF zone, will reduce the sunshine in his garden.

## BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

## (a) Requested Variance:

• to vary the permitted lot coverage from 18% to 27.2% in order to permit the construction of a 439.3 m<sup>2</sup> single family residence.

## Applicant's Reasons:

- While the proposed lot coverage of 27.2% exceeds the permitted lot coverage of 18%, the overall size of the house is within the maximum allowable floor area of  $465 \text{ m}^2$  (5,000 sq. ft.) for a lot of this size.
- The majority of the living space is located on the main level. The floor area of the second storey is only 28% of the floor area of the main floor. There is no basement proposed.
- This is a large RF lot at 1503 m<sup>2</sup> (16,177 sq. ft.), more than 2.5 times the minimum RF lot size.

#### **Staff Comments:**

• No trees will be removed to accommodate the proposed construction.

- The subject property is relatively large and could potentially be subdivided into 2 lots of 751 m² (8,090 sq. ft.). Under this scenario, the RF zone would permit a lot coverage of 34%, or 255.3 m² (2,750 sq. ft.) for each lot, for a total coverage of 510.7 m² (5,500 sq. ft.) on the parent parcel. The applicant is proposing a lot coverage of 27.2%, or a building footprint of 408.2 m² (4,394 sq. ft.) on the subject property, which is 102.5 m² (1,106 sq. ft.) less than the 510.7 m² (5,500 sq. ft.) of coverage which could potentially be achieved on two subdivided lots.
- The proposed siting of the house maintains a substantial setback of 22.6 m (74 ft.) from the rear property line, exceeding the minimum requirement of 7.5 m (25 ft.), and creating separation and privacy from the lots behind the subject property along Ocean Forest Drive. The existing trees in the rear yard are to remain and create a buffer between the subject property and the lots to the rear.
- With the recent changes to the RF zone, the lots to the west across 124 Street and directly behind the subject property to the east along Ocean Forest Drive are allowed to have a lot coverage ranging from 36-38%. A general surveillance of existing homes to the west across 124 Street and to the east behind the subject property along Ocean Forest Drive indicates a range of lot coverage from 30-40%.
- Staff support the variance proceeding to Public Notification.

## **INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT**

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Lot Owners, Action Summary and Project Data Sheets

Appendix II. Proposed Design Drawings

Appendix III. Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0010-00

original signed by Nicholas Lai

Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

## Information for City Clerk

Legal Description and Owners of all lots that form part of the application:

1. (a) Agent: Name: John Wilson

Pillar Coupe Consulting

Address: 9478 - 159A Street

Surrey, BC V<sub>4</sub>N<sub>2</sub>L<sub>9</sub>

Tel: 6046524568 - Primary

2. Properties involved in the Application

(a) Civic Address: 2162 124 Street

(b) Civic Address: 2162 124 Street

Owner: Edwin A Ackerman

Beverley A Ackerman

PID: 011-398-884

Lot 64 Except: Part Subdivided By Plan 61135; Section 18 Township 1 New Westminster

District Plan 9496

3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office

(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No.7915-0010-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

TOP LETTER OR NUMBER REFERS TO SECTION LETTER OR DETAIL NUMBER



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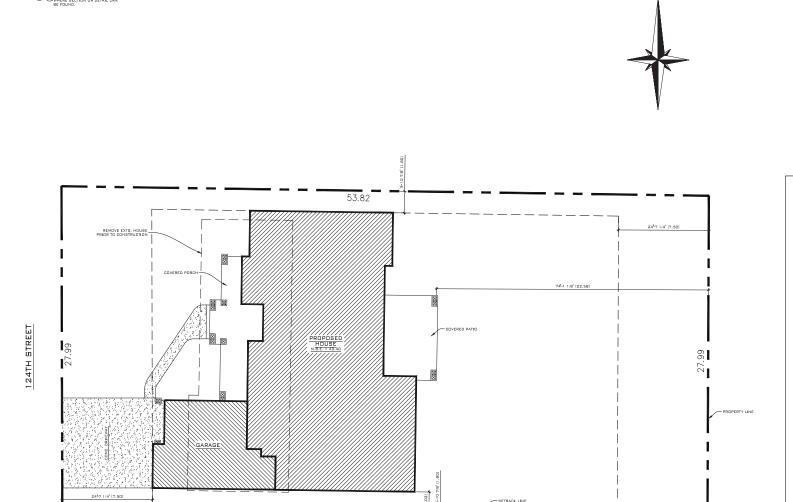
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EB. 12, 2014

MR. & MRS. E. ACKERMAN

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GENERAL NOTES: TO BE READ IN ACCORDANCE TO PART 9 OF THE 2012 B.C.B.C.) SOILS:

F NO GOTECHNICAL DATA IS AVAILABLE, SOIL BEARING
PRESSURE IS ASSUMED TO BE A MINIMUM OF 1500 PSF.
CONDITIONS OF LESSER BEARING PRESSURE IS TO BE
REPORTED TO THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES PRIOR TO ANY
CONSTRUCTION.

DESIGN CRITERIA 2012 B.C.B.C.
ROOF SNOW LOAD: 40 PSF 1/300 MAX, LIVE DEFLECTION
ROOF DEAD LOAD: 10 PSF 1/240 MAX TOTAL DEFLECTION
FLOOR LIVE LOAD: 40 PSF
FLOOR DEAD LOAD: 10 PSF

BUILDING ENVELOPE:
METAL USED FOR FLASHING EXPOSED TO WEATHER
REFER TO SECTION 9.3.3 OF THE 2012 S.G.B.C. WINDOW
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- PRINTED TANKS
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6 MIL POLY VAPOR BARRIER SHALL BE INSTALLED TO THE WARM SIDE OF INSULATION.

CEILING INSULATION MAY BE LOOSE FILL TYPE OR BATT TYPE. WALL AND FLOOR INSULATION SHALL BE BATT TYPE.

PROVIDE BAFFLE FOR AIR SPACE (EQUAL TO SOFFIT VENTING) BETWEEN INSULATION AND ROOF SHEATHING AT EXTERIOR WALL LINE.

INSULATION REQUIREMENTS MAY VARY WITH HEATING SYSTEMS AND WITH LOCAL CONDITIONS. CHECK WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

ALL ROOF SPACES SHALL BE VENTILATED WITH SOFFIT, ROOF, OR GABLE VENTS, OR A COMBINATION OF THESE, EQUALLY DISTRIBUTED BETWEEN TOP OF ROOF SPACE AND SOFFITS.

TRUSSES: TRUSS 579TEM TO BE DESIGNED AND ENGINEERED BY THE MANUFACTURER. SEALED SHOP DRAWINGS WILL BE REQUIRED ON REQUEST.

STANDARD: ALL WORK SHALL CONFORM TO THE 2012 B.C.B.C. AND LOCAL BY-LAWS.

SITE PLAN SCALE: 1/8" = 1 0"

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

LOT 64, SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 1, PLAN 9496, NWD PART NE 1/4, EXCEPT PLAN 61135

LOT COVERAGE: ALLOWED = 19.646% OF 16,177 SQ.FT. (3,178.13 SQ.FT.) PROPOSED = 27.16% (4,393.50 SQ.FT.)



 $\frac{\texttt{FRONT} \ \texttt{ELEVATION}}{\texttt{SCALE:} \ 1/4" = 1" - 0"}$ 

**Construction Set** 



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DATE:
FEB. 12, 2014

MR. & MRS. E. ACKERMAN

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## **CITY OF SURREY**

(the "City")

#### **DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT**

NO.: 7915-0010-00

Issued To: Beverley A Ackerman

("the Owner")

Address of Owner: 19273 - o AVE

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Issued To: Edwin A Ackerman

("the Owner")

Address of Owner: 19273 - o AVE

SURREY BC V<sub>3</sub>Z 9R<sub>9</sub>

- 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: 011-398-884 LT 64 NE SEC 18 T1 PL 9496 (EX PL 61135) 2162 124 St

(the "Land")

- 3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
  - (a) In Section E 2. of Part 16 "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)" the maximum lot coverage is varied from 18% to 27.2%.
- 4. The siting of buildings and structures shall be in accordance with the drawings numbered 7915-0010-00 (A) through to and including 7915-0010-00 (D) (the "Drawings") which are attached hereto and form part of this development variance permit.

6.	This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start a
	construction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within tw (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 a persons who acquire an interest in the Land.
8.	This development variance permit is not a building permit.
	THORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF , 2015. JED THIS DAY OF , 2015.