

City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7915-0151-00

Planning Report Date: June 29, 2015

PROPOSAL:

• Development Variance Permit

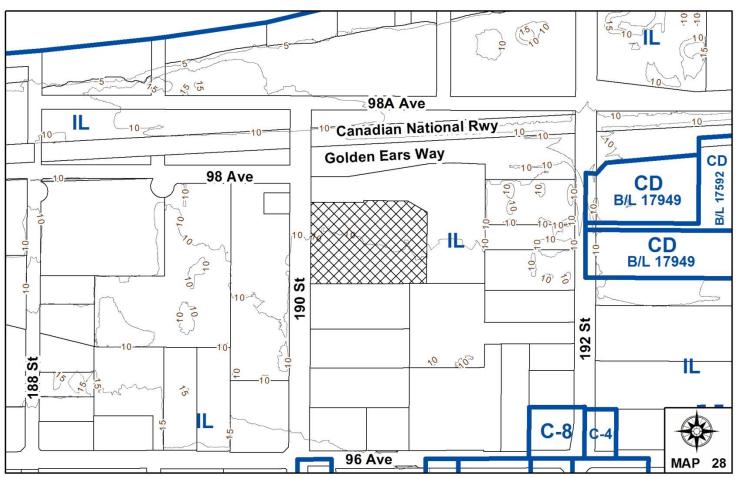
to permit the installation of a replacement dust collection system for an existing lumber yard.

LOCATION: 9760 - 190 Street

OWNER: Perfect Properties Inc.

ZONING: IL

OCP DESIGNATION: Industrial



RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY

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

DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULATIONS

• Proposing to increase the height of an accessory structure under the IL Zone from 6.0 metres (20 ft.) to 15.5 metres (51 ft.).

RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- The 12.8-metre (42 ft.) high structure that constitutes the existing dust collection system was approved by Development Variance Permit No. 7907-0353-00 on April 14, 2008.
- The proposed 15.5-metre (51 ft.) high dust collection system will replace the existing dust collection system, and is required to improve the air quality in the immediate area and increase workplace safety.
- Existing trees and landscaping will act as a buffer to mitigate the visual impact of the proposed structure.

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0151-00 (Appendix II) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:

(a) to increase the maximum height of an accessory structure of the IL Zone from 6.0 metres (20 ft.) to 15.5 metres (51 ft.).

REFERRALS

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

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Lumber yard and storage.

Adjacent Area:

Direction	Existing Use	OCP Designation	Existing Zone
North:	Industrial warehouse	Industrial	IL
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East:	Industrial buildings with outdoor storage.	Industrial	IL
South:	Construction cranes storage.	Industrial	IL
West (Across 190 Street):	Semi-trailer truck container storage.	Industrial	IL

DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Background

- The subject property is located at 9760 190 Street, and is zoned "Light Impact Industrial Zone (IL)" and designated "Industrial" in the Official Community Plan (OCP). A lumber distribution yard currently exists on the site.
- The owners are proposing to replace the existing dust collection system with a new dust collection system. The replacement system has a higher filtration capacity than the existing system and will better contain dust emitted by lumber yard operations. The replacement system will also improve workplace safety by reducing the risk of fire and dust explosion.

• The proposed dust collection system will be constructed near the northwest corner of the site, directly adjacent and slightly south of the existing dust collection system. The existing dust collection system will be removed after the proposed replacement system is installed. Under the Zoning Bylaw, the proposed dust collection system is considered an accessory structure. The IL Zone prescribes a maximum height of 6.0 metres (20 ft.) for accessory structures.

- Development Variance Permit No. 7907-0353-00 was issued in 2008 for this site, to permit the installation of the existing dust collection system. Variances were granted to reduce the north side yard setback from 7.5 metres (25 ft.) to 1.5 metres (5 ft.) and to increase the maximum height of an accessory structure from 6.0 metres (20 ft.) to 12.8 metres (42 ft.). The current Development Variance Permit application is to further increase the maximum height of an accessory structure to 15.5 metres (51 ft.).
- The proposed dust collection system is expected to run during regular shift hours between 7:30 am and 4:00 pm (Monday to Friday), which represents no change from the existing dust collection system operating schedule.
- When running at maximum capacity, the proposed dust collection system will produce noise levels below 70 decibels. Under the Zoning By-Law, 70 decibels is the highest noise level permitted to be produced in the IL Zone. The proposed system will emit less noise than the existing system, which was measured after installation and emitted noise levels below 70 decibels.

BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

(a) Requested Variance:

• To vary the maximum height of an accessory structure under the IL Zone from 6.0 metres (20ft.) to 15.5 metres (51 ft.).

Applicant's Reasons:

- The proposed replacement dust collection system will improve workplace safety. Dust extraction and cleanup has become a major focus for WorkSafeBC due to recent industry incidents caused by dust explosions. The proposed dust collection system will reduce this risk of dust explosion.
- The proposed dust collection system will replace the existing dust collection system. The proposed system will be installed at a higher height in order to allow gravity to facilitate the movement of dust through the system, rather than the conveyors the existing system uses. The gravity system reduces the risk of fire and/or dust explosion as it has fewer friction points that can become sources of ignition. The proposed dust collection system will thereby increase workplace safety.
- The proposed system is quieter and safer than the existing system.

Staff Comments:

• The proposed dust collection system will be located on a concrete pad that is approximately 6.9 metres (22.5 ft.) long, 4.9 metres (16 ft.) wide, and 0.6 metre (2 ft.) tall. The proposed dust collection structure will be 15.5 metres (51 ft.) high and will rely on gravity rather than a system of conveyors to move the dust through the system. The applicant has tried to reduce the size of the proposed structure. However, in order for the proposed system to work effectively, a reduction in height is not possible.

- Landscaping was required as part of the previous Development Variance Permit (No. 7907-0353-00) to minimize the visual impact of the existing dust collection system. Landscaping included planting 16 European Aspens, which have grown to a height of approximately 12 metres (40 ft.). This type of tree can grow to a diameter of 4.5 metres (15 ft.) and a height of 15 metres (50 ft.), which is approximately the height of the proposed dust collection system. The existing landscaping will help to minimize the visual impact of the proposed structure on adjacent businesses and Golden Ears Way.
- Staff support the proposed variance.

INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Lot Owners and Action Summary

Appendix II. Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0151-00

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Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

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<u>Information for City Clerk</u>

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

1. (a) Agent: Name: Jake Power

c/o Perfect Properties Inc.

Address: 9760 – 190 Street

Surrey, BC V₄N₃M₉

Tel: 604-882-9662 - Work

604-882-9662 - Cellular

2. Properties involved in the Application

(a) Civic Address: 9760 – 190 Street

(b) Civic Address: 9760 – 190 Street
Owner: Perfect Properties Inc.

PID: 011-947-349

Lot A Section 4 Township 9 New Westminster District Plan 79047

- 3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office
 - (a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0151-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

CITY OF SURREY

(the "City")

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7915-0151-00

Issued To: PERFECT PROPERTIES INC., INC. NO. 664700

("the Owner")

Address of Owner: 9760 – 190 Street

Surrey, BC V₄N₃M₉

- 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: 011-947-349 Lot A Section 4 Township 9 New Westminster District Plan 79047

9760 - 190 Street

(the "Land")

- 3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
 - (a) In Section G.2 of Part 48 Light Impact Industrial Zone (IL) the maximum height of an accessory structure is increased from 6.0 metres (20 ft.) to 15.5 metres (51 ft.).
- 4. This development variance permit applies to only that portion of the buildings and structures on 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 and structures shown on attached Schedule A, which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit.

The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and 5. provisions of this development variance permit. 6. This development variance permit supplements Development Variance Permit No. 7907-0353-00. This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any 7. construction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within two (2) years after the date this development variance permit is issued. 8. The terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all persons who acquire an interest in the Land. This development variance permit is not a building permit. 9. AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF , 20 . **ISSUED THIS** DAY OF , 20 . Mayor – Linda Hepner

City Clerk - Jane Sullivan

SCHEDULE A

