

City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7915-0325-00

Planning Report Date: November 30, 2015

PROPOSAL:

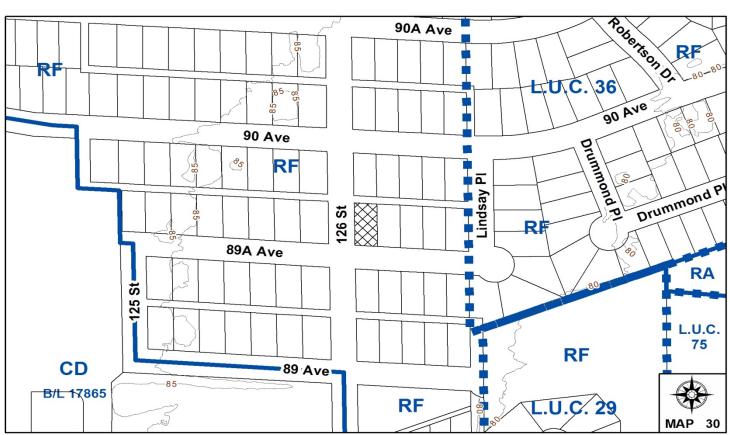
• Development Variance Permit

to relax the special building setback requirements for a proposed single family dwelling on a lot located along a collector road (126 Street).

LOCATION: 8960 - 126 Street

OWNER: Raghudeep Singh Sihota

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 to relax Part 7 Special Building Setbacks of the Zoning By-law, to reduce the sum of one-half of the ultimate highway allowance for 126 Street and the west (side yard on flanking street) setback for a proposed single family dwelling from 15.6 metres (51 ft.) to 13.6 metres (45 ft.).

RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION

- In accordance with Part 7 Special Building Setbacks of the Zoning By-law, side yard setbacks of lots flanking an arterial or collector road are measured from the centerline of the ultimate road allowance.
- 126 Street is a collector road, however, will not be constructed to its ultimate width in the foreseeable future and therefore the side yard setback relaxation for a new house is supportable.
- The reduced setback will achieve a consistent streetscape with the other existing houses along this section of 126 Street.

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0325-00 (Appendix IV) varying the following, to proceed to Public Notification:

(a) to relax Part 7 Special Building Setbacks of Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000 to reduce the sum of one-half of the ultimate highway allowance for 126 Street and the west (side yard on flanking street) setback for the principal building from 15.6 metres (51 ft.) to 13.6 metres (45 ft.).

REFERRALS

Engineering: The Engineering Department has no objection to the project, as

outlined in Appendix IV.

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Existing Land Use: Vacant lot.

Adjacent Area:

Direction	Existing Use	OCP	Existing Zone
		Designation	
North (Across unconstructed lane):	Singe family dwellings	Urban	RF
East:	Singe family dwellings	Urban	RF
South (Across 89A Avenue):	Singe family dwellings	Urban	RF
West (Across 126 Street):	Singe family dwellings	Urban	RF

DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS

- The 647-square metre (6,970 sq. ft.) subject lot is located at the northeast corner of 126 Street and 89A Avenue in Whalley and was created through subdivision in 1912.
- The lot is designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and is zoned "Single Family Residential Zone (RF)".
- The lot is currently vacant and the applicant is preparing to submit a building permit application to construct a single family dwelling on the subject lot. According to the preliminary site plan submitted by the applicant (Appendix II), the western face of the proposed dwelling will be located 3.6 metres (12 feet) from the existing western property line or 13.6 metres (45 ft.) from the existing centerline of the flanking 126 Street.

• 126 Street, which flanks the subject lot, is classified as a collector road. For lots fronting or flanking an arterial or collector road, in accordance with Part 7 Special Building Setbacks of Zoning By-law No. 12000, front yard setbacks and side yard setbacks on a flanking street are measured from the centerline of the ultimate road allowance.

- Since 126 Street is a collector road, as per the Subdivision & Development By-law approved by Council in 2012, the ultimate width is 24 metres (79 ft.). The existing road allowance for 126 Street is 20 metres (66 ft.) in width.
- The Engineering Department has determined that, for this portion of 126 Street, 24 metres (79 feet) of road allowance will not be necessary as it is not likely to be constructed to its ultimate width in the foreseeable future.
- Although the Engineering Department has no intention of widening this portion of 126 Street to its ultimate standard in the foreseeable future, the special setback requirements of Part 7 in the Zoning By-law continue to apply for building siting.
- The requirement to measure the side yard setback from the centerline of the ultimate road allowance for 126 Street reduces the floor space of the proposed dwelling and results in a less functional floor plan on the main floor. To mitigate these impacts on the proposed dwelling, the applicant is requesting to reduce the flanking side yard setback as measured from the centerline of the ultimate road allowance for 126 Street for the principal building from 15.6 metres (51 ft.) to 13.6 metres (45 ft.) (see By-law Variance section).

BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

(a) Requested Variance:

• To relax Part 7 Special Building Setbacks of Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000 to reduce the sum of one-half of the ultimate highway allowance for 126 Street and the west (side yard on flanking street) setback for the principal building from 15.6 metres (51 ft.) to 13.6 metres (45 ft.).

Applicant's Reasons:

- The revised collector road standard of 24-metre (79 ft.) width requires the principal building on the existing lot to be set back 15.6 metres (51 ft.) from the centerline of 126 Street.
- The proposed setback variance will achieve a setback of 3.6m from the existing property line flanking 126 Street, the required side yard setback for flanking streets in the RF Zone.
- The proposed setback variance allows for a more functional floor plan and increases the floor space of the proposed house.

Staff Comments:

• Part 7 Special Building Setbacks of Zoning By-law No. 12000 is intended to protect for future widening of major roads by requiring the building setbacks to be the sum of one-half of the ultimate road right-of-way plus the required setback as specified in the Zone in which the lot is located. The ultimate road allowance for 126 Street, a collector road in this location, is 24 metres (79 ft.) and the existing road allowance is 20 metres (66 ft.). Although the City's Engineering Department has no intention of widening this portion of 126 Street to its ultimate standard in the foreseeable future, the setback is still applicable.

- The Special Building Setback requires the proposed single family dwelling on the subject lot to be sited 5.6 metres (18 ft.) from the existing flanking side lot line along 126 Street. This is greater than the 3.6-metre (12 ft.) side yard on flanking street setback required under the RF Zone on lots not subject to the Special Building Setback requirements.
- To achieve a consistent streetscape along 126 Street, which consists predominantly of older homes built prior to the Special Building Setback being applicable, a variance to the Special Building Setback from 15.6 metres (51 ft.) to 13.6 metres (45 ft.) for the principal building, measured from the centerline of the ultimate highway allowance for 126 Street is supportable.
- The RF Zone permits a maximum floor area of 366 square metres (3,940 square feet) on the subject lot. The proposed dwelling is 292 square metres (3,148 square feet) in floor area without the requested setback relaxation and 327 square metres (3,516 square feet) with the setback relaxation.
- Staff support the requested variance.

INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Lot Owners and Action Summary

Appendix II. Proposed Site Plan
Appendix III. Engineering Summary

Appendix IV. Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0325-00

original signed by Judith Robertson

Jean Lamontagne General Manager Planning and Development

<u>Information for City Clerk</u>

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

1. Agent: Name: Sukhwinder Sethi

Address: 6702 – 130A Street

Surrey, BC V₃W 8J₃

Tel: 604-729-8482

2. Properties involved in the Application

(a) Civic Address: 8960 - 126 Street

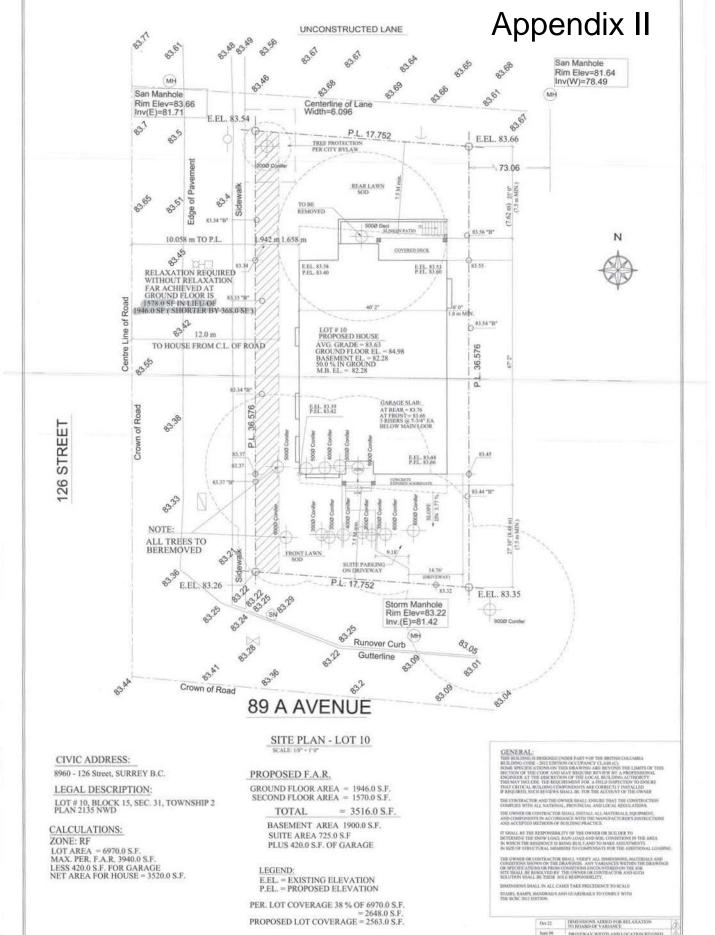
(b) Civic Address: 8960 - 126 Street Owner: Raghudeep S Sihota

PID: 012-507-644

Lot 10 Block 15 Section 31 Township 2 New Westminster District Plan 2135

3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office

(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7915-0325-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.



PER. DECK AREA 10 % OF 3940.0.0 S.F. = 394.0 S.F. PROPOSED DECK AREA = AT FRONT = 53.0 + 91.0 = 144.05 S.F. AT REAR = 112.0 S.F.



Appendix III INTER-OFFICE MEMO

TO:

Manager, Area Planning & Development

- North Surrey Division

Planning and Development Department

FROM:

Development Services Manager, Engineering Department

DATE:

November 9, 2015

PROJECT FILE:

7815-0325-00

RE:

Engineering Requirements

Location: 8960 126 Street

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

The applicant is advised that at time of application for a building permit the applicant will be required to obtain a City Road and Right-of-Way Permit for the installation of the driveway and sanitary service connection at the Engineering front counter upon payment of securities and permit fees.

There are no engineering requirements relative to issuance of the Development Variance Permit.

Rémi Dubé, P.Eng.

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Development Services Manager

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CITY OF SURREY

(the "City")

DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT

NO.: 7915-0325-00

Issued To: Raghudeep Singh Sihota

("the Owner")

Address of Owner: 12799 - 61 Avenue

Surrey, BC V₃M ₃X₆

- 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: 012-507-644 Lot 10 Block 15 Section 31 Township 2 New Westminster District Plan 2135

8960 - 126 Street

(the "Land")

- 3. Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:
 - (a) to relax Part 7 Special Building Setbacks of Surrey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000 to reduce the sum of one-half of the ultimate highway allowance for 126 Street and the west (side yard on flanking street) setback for the principal building from 15.6 metres (51 ft.) to 13.6 metres (45 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 shown on attached Schedule A, which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit.

5.	The Land shall be developed strictly in accord provisions of this development variance perm		
6.	This development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any construction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within two (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 all persons who acquire an interest in the Land.		
8.	This development variance permit is not a building permit.		
	IORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COLD THIS DAY OF , 20 .	UNCIL, THE DAY OF , 20 .	
		Mayor – Linda Hepner	
		City Clerk - Jane Sullivan	

