

# City of Surrey PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT REPORT File: 7918-0394-00

Planning Report Date: January 30, 2019

#### PROPOSAL:

## • Development Variance Permit

to vary the minimum off-street parking requirement for a proposed elementary school (Regent Road Elementary School).

LOCATION: 18671 – 74 Avenue

18717 - 74 Avenue 18707 - 74 Avenue

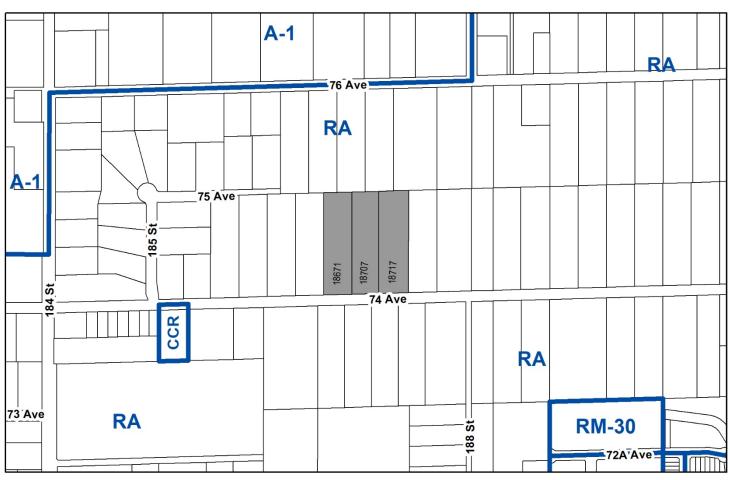
**ZONING:** RA

**OCP DESIGNATION:** 

NCP DESIGNATION: Urban Residential (10+4 UPA

Urban

Bonus), Wildlife Corridor and Existing and Proposed Roads



#### **RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY**

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

# <u>DEVIATION FROM PLANS, POLICIES OR REGULA</u>TIONS

• The applicant is requesting a Development Variance Permit (DVP) to reduce the minimum number of off-street parking spaces required from 94 stalls to 83 stalls (a reduction of 11 stalls) to accommodate a new public elementary school (Regent Road Elementary School).

#### **RATIONALE OF RECOMMENDATION**

- The proposed parking relaxation will facilitate the construction of a new public elementary school on the subject site. The proposed school will relieve the pressure on several existing elementary schools as well as accommodate the growing population in the Clayton area.
- The proposed reduction in off-street parking complies with the recent findings of the Surrey Elementary School Parking Study, completed by Wilde Consulting Inc. in January 2017 and endorsed by the City's Transportation Engineering staff.
- The proposed relaxation in off-street parking on the subject property will allocate 71 parking stalls for classrooms (1.75 stalls X 27 classrooms plus a future 6 classroom addition and 6 portable classrooms) as well as 12 drop-off spaces. A total of 83 parking stalls will be provided on-site which is consistent with the recommendations of the Parking Study.
- The various uses on the site will have different temporal distributions of parking demand, thereby allowing for shared parking.

# **RECOMMENDATION**

The Planning & Development Department recommends that:

- 1. Council approve Development Variance Permit No. 7918-0394-00 (Appendix IV) varying the Zoning By-law by reducing the total number of required off-street parking spaces for a public elementary school as follows, to proceed to Public Notification:
  - (a) delete the requirement to provide 11 parking spaces for every 100 square metres (1,075 sq. ft.) of gross floor area for associated gymnasium; and
  - (b) increase the required number of parking spaces per classroom from 1.0 parking spaces to 1.75 parking spaces per classroom.

This results in a total parking requirement reduction from 94 parking spaces to 83 parking spaces.

- 2. Council instruct staff to resolve the following issues prior to DVP issuance:
  - (a) submission of a subdivision layout, to the satisfaction of the Approving Officer, for the subdivision/consolidation of the subject site from three lots into two lots.

#### **REFERRALS**

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

#### **SITE CHARACTERISTICS**

<u>Existing Land Use:</u> Vacant parcels.

# **Adjacent Area:**

Direction	Existing Use	OCP/NCP Designation	Existing Zone
North:	Single family residential	Urban/Proposed Park, Medium Density Cluster, Green Density Transfer (Forest Preservation/ Restoration) and Existing and Proposed Roads	RA

Direction	Existing Use	OCP/NCP Designation	Existing Zone
East:	Single family residential	Urban/Urban Residential (10+4 UPA Bonus) and Existing and Proposed Roads	RA
South (Across 74 Avenue):	Single family residential	Urban/Wildlife Corridor, Green Density Transfer (Forest Preservation/ Restoration), High Density Cluster and Existing and Proposed Roads	RA
West:	Single family residential	Urban/Proposed Elementary School and Green Density Transfer (Forest Preservation/Restoration)	RA

#### **DEVELOPMENT CONSIDERATIONS**

- The subject property is approximately 3.03 hectares (7.49 acres) in size and located at 18671, 18707 and 18717 74 Avenue in West Clayton. The subject site is designated "Urban" in the Official Community Plan (OCP), "Urban Residential (10+4 UPA Bonus)", "Wildlife Corridor" as well as "Existing and Proposed Roads" in the West Clayton Neighbourhood Concept Plan (NCP) and zoned "One-Acre Residential (RA)".
- The School District is proposing to construct a new public elementary school on the subject site which will contain 27 classrooms with the potential for a future 6 classroom addition and 6 portable classrooms. In order to accommodate the proposed elementary school, the School District proposes to consolidate the parent parcels and further subdivide the subject site into two lots (Appendix II). Proposed Lot 1 will accommodate the future elementary school while Lot 2 will be conveyed to the City, without compensation, to protect a portion of the Green Infrastructure Network (GIN) corridor located on the subject site (see discussion below). As part of the approval process, the applicant is required to complete all outstanding conditions associated with the proposed subdivision/consolidation of the subject site from three lots into two lots before Council issues the proposed DVP to reduce the minimum on-site parking requirement.
- Under Part 5 of Surrey Zoning By-law No. 12000, a public elementary school requires 1 parking space per classroom, 9 parking spaces for drop-off and 11 parking spaces per 100 square metres (1,075 sq. ft.) of gross floor area for associated gymnasium. This equates to a total requirement of 94 off-street parking spaces on the subject site.
- The School District is requesting a variance to reduce the off-street parking requirement to 83 stalls by eliminating the required parking for the associated gymnasium and increasing the required number of stalls per classroom to 1.75 parking spaces (see By-law Variance Section). The applicant will also provide 12 drop-off parking stalls which exceeds the minimum required under the Zoning By-law.

#### **BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION STRATEGY**

• The City of Surrey Biodiversity Conservation Strategy (BCS) Green Infrastructure Networks (GIN) map, adopted by Council on July 21, 2014 (Corporate Report No. R141; 2014), identifies a Local BCS Corridor in the western portion of the subject site, in the Cloverdale BCS management Area, with a low ecological value.

- The BCS recommends a target Corridor width of 60 metres (197 ft.) and target area of 11,918 square metres (128,284 sq. ft.) which represents approximately 39% of the subject site.
- Protecting green infrastructure Hubs (large habitat areas) and Sites (smaller habitat areas) are
  critical to preserving natural habitat refuges and a diversity of habitat features while
  maintaining/enhancing Corridors ensures connectivity between fragmented hubs for genetic
  variation throughout the City. The closest Biodiversity Hub connection in the GIN is Hub C
  which is located roughly 257 metres (843 ft.) to the northeast of the subject site.
- The development proposal conserves approximately 945 square metres (10,172 sq. ft.) of the subject site through conveyance of proposed Lot 2 to the City, without compensation. The conveyance of proposed Lot 2 (5 metres/16 ft. wide) represents 8% of the target GIN area on the subject site. The City will offset the reduction in GIN corridor area, on the subject site, by purchasing the adjacent westerly property located at 18645 74 Avenue for the GIN corridor. This method of GIN conservation will assist in the long-term protection of the natural features and allow the City to better achieve biodiversity at this location by providing a north-south linkage for the Local BCS Corridor, consistent with the guidelines contained within the BCS.
- In order for the development proposal to fully comply with the BCS target requirement, an additional 10,973 square metres (2.71 acres) of GIN Corridor area would be required on the subject site. The applicant is unable to provide the balance of the GIN Corridor Area given the site constraints that include accommodating a future 39 classroom elementary school with on-site parking/drop-off spaces and sufficient outdoor play area.

#### BY-LAW VARIANCE AND JUSTIFICATION

#### (a) Requested Variance:

• To vary the minimum number of required parking spaces in the Zoning By-law for a public elementary school by deleting the requirement to provide 11 parking spaces for every 100 square metres (1,075 sq. ft.) of gross floor area for associated gymnasium and increasing the required number of parking spaces for every classroom from 1.0 parking spaces to 1.75 parking spaces.

#### Applicant's Reasons:

• The proposed relaxation in on-site parking will facilitate the construction of a new public elementary school on the subject site and, thereby, relieve the pressure on several existing elementary schools in the growing Clayton area.

• On regular school days, the gymnasium space is used by the school's students, not outside visitors utilizing various community-based programs. In addition, special events that would require additional parking only happen a few times a year. As a result, there is no need to provide more on-site parking for the gymnasium space.

#### **Staff Comments:**

- The proposal complies with the findings of the Surrey Elementary School Parking Study, completed by Wilde Consulting Inc. in January 2017, and endorsed by the City's Transportation Engineering staff.
- The Parking Study recommends: [1] increasing the minimum parking requirement under the Zoning By-law from 1.0 to 1.75 parking stalls per classroom; [2] maintaining a minimum of 9 additional parking stalls for drop-off; and [3] waiving the by-law requirement to provide additional off-street parking for the gymnasium space.
- The proposed parking relaxation on the subject property will allocate 71 parking stalls for classrooms (1.75 stalls X 27 classrooms plus a future 6 classroom addition and 6 portable classrooms) as well as 12 drop-off spaces. A total of 83 parking stalls will be provided on-site which is consistent with recommendations of the Parking Study.
- The various uses on the site have different temporal distribution, in terms of parking demand, thereby allowing for shared parking.
- Staff supports the requested variance.

#### **INFORMATION ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT**

The following information is attached to this Report:

Appendix I. Lot Owners and Action Summary (Confidential)

Appendix II. Subdivision Plan

Appendix III. Site Plan and Parking Calculations

Appendix IV. Development Variance Permit No. 7918-0394-00

original signed by Ron Gill

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: Ken D. Smith

School District #36

Address: 14033 – 92 Avenue

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2. Properties involved in the Application

(a) Civic Address: 18671 – 74 Avenue

18717 – 74 Avenue 18707 – 74 Avenue

(b) Civic Address: 18671 – 74 Avenue

Owner: Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey)

PID: 006-459-242

Lot 36 Section 21 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan 30231

(c) Civic Address: 18717 – 74 Avenue

Owner: Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey)

PID: 004-176-065

Lot 37 Except: Part Subdivided by Plan 31469, Section 21 Township 8 New Westminster

District Plan 30231

(d) Civic Address: 18707 – 74 Avenue

Owner: Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey)

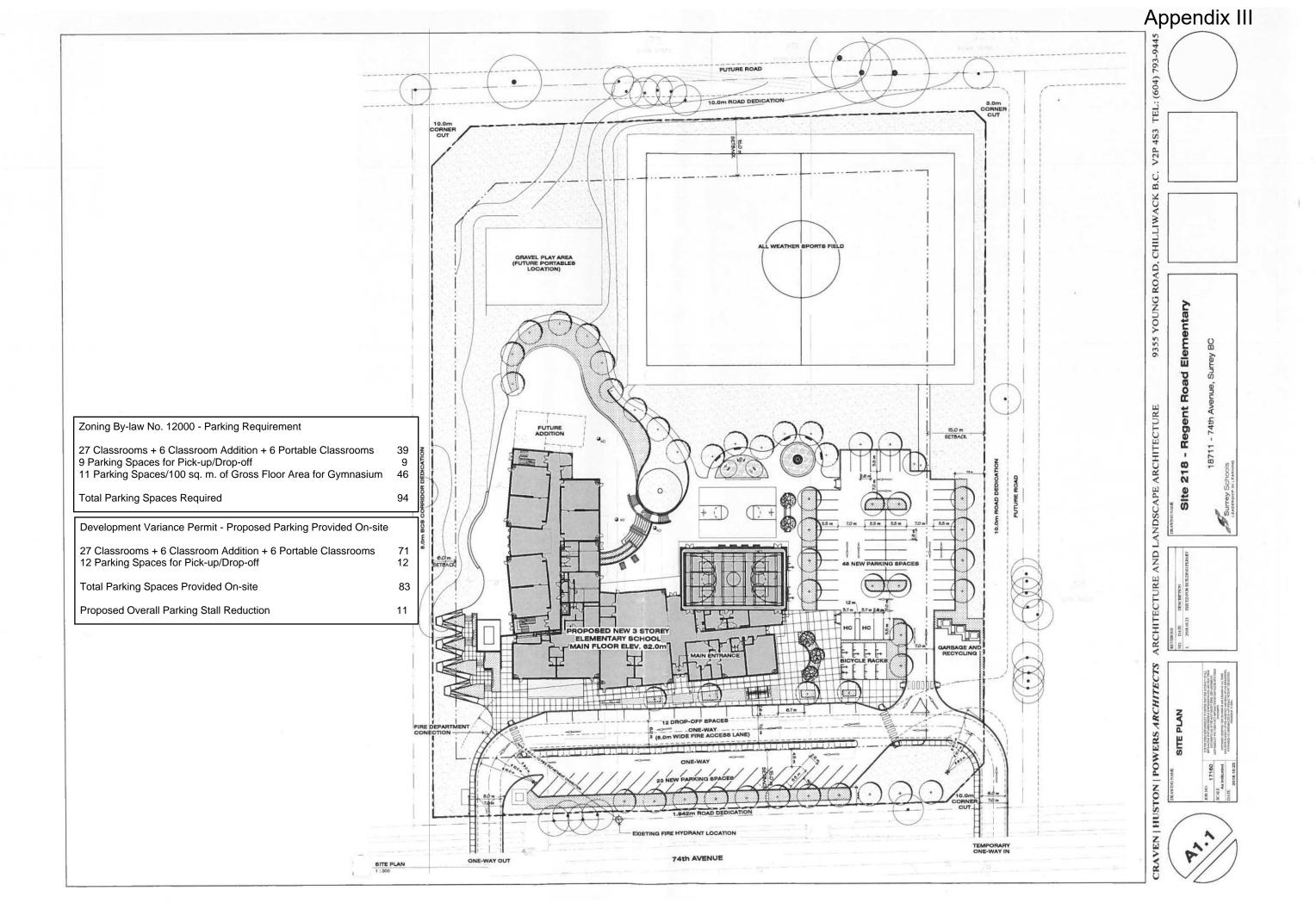
PID: 006-594-743

Lot 42 Section 21 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan 31469

# 3. Summary of Actions for City Clerk's Office

(a) Proceed with Public Notification for Development Variance Permit No. 7918-0394-00 and bring the Development Variance Permit forward for issuance and execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

SUBDIVISION PLAN OF: PLAN EPP87831 LOT 36 PLAN 30231 LOT 42 PLAN 31469 AND LOT 37 EXCEPT PART SUBDIMDED BY PLAN 31469, PLAN 30231 ALL OF SEC 21 TP 8 NWD B.C.G.S. 92G.017 **WEST 267.44 FEET** REM A E 1/2 75 76 LOT "A" REM В PLAN 11206 7 PLAN 62971 PLAN 62971 PLAN 11206 7 PLAN 75737 PLAN 1171 PLAN 1171 52.912 75th AVENUE B1.225 88"26"22" ROAD 0.374ha (25) (75th AVENUE) 130.771 88°23'53" OF 30 PLAN 1171 LEGEND ROAD DENOTES CONTROL MONUMENT FOUND 8 ge<sup>c</sup> DENOTES STANDARD IRON POST FOUND DENOTES STANDARD IRON POST SET 0 DENOTES WITNESS DENOTES HECTARES ha This plan shows one or more witness posts which are NOT set on the true corner(s). SCALE 1:1000 945.4m<sup>2</sup> 2.56ha Coordinates shown are for mapping purposes only. 10 0 20 PCL "A" ALL DISTANCES ARE IN METRES OF 30 The intended plot size of this plan is 560mm in width and 432mm in height (C size) when plotted at a scale of 1:1000. REM 37 38 27 36 42 (G22008F) STREET) PLAN 1171 PLAN 1171 PLAN 30231 PLAN 30231 PLAN 30231 PLAN 31469 ⋖ (187 62 26 PLAN 56285 PLAN 1065 W 1/2 OF 30 .58₹ 88"26'10" 5.002 46 105.884 52.863 PLAN 1171 10" PLAN 33024 88' 74TH AVENUE 5933 Datum: NAD 83 (CSRS) 40.0.BC.1.GVRD Datum: NAO 83 CCSRS) 40.0.BC.I.GVRD UTH Zone: 10 N UTH Coordinates N: 540750.02 E: 521698.00 Fahl combined scale factor: 0.9996012 Estimated harizantal positional occuracy: +/-0.05 Datum: NAD 83 (CSRS) 40.08C.1.GVRD UTH Zone: 10 N UTH Coordnates N: 5442630.34 E: 520973.23 Point combined scale factor: 0.9996012 Estimated harizontal positional accuracy: +/-0.03 INTEGRATED SURVEY AREA No. 1. SURREY #WILDVALLD SUPVET ARICA 100. 1.1 SUPVET
MAD 81 (SSS) 4 QUBECLS(19/8D)
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observations to geodetic control monuments 5933 and 8779 and
are referred to the central meriden of UTH Zone 10 N.
The UTH coordinates and estimated horizontal positional accuracy
achieved are derived from GeoBC floscot published information.
This plan shave hardzonful ground-level distances uriess otherwise
specified. To compute grid distances, multiply ground-level
distances by the overage combhed factor of 0.9996012, which
has been derived from control monument 5931. This plan lies within the jurisdiction of the Approving Officer for the City of Surrey. The field survey represented by this plan was completed on the 6th day of November, 2018. \*\*L Adam Fulkerson, BCLS 906 SURREY B.C.



#### **CITY OF SURREY**

(the "City")

#### **DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT**

NO.: 7918-0394-00

Issued To: Board of Education of School District No. 36 (Surrey)

(the "Owner")

Address of Owner: 14033 – 92 Avenue

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- 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: 006-459-242 Lot 36 Section 21 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan 30231

18671 - 74 Avenue

Parcel Identifier: 004-176-065 Lot 37 Except: Part Subdivided by Plan 31469, Section 21 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan 30231

18717 - 74 Avenue

Parcel Identifier: 006-594-743 Lot 42 Section 21 Township 8 New Westminster District Plan 31469

18707 - 74 Avenue

(the "Land")

3. (a) As the legal description of the Land is to change, the City Clerk is directed to insert the new legal description for the Land once title(s) has/have been issued, as follows:

Parcel Identifier:

	(b)	If the civic address(es) change(s), the City Clerk is directed to insert address(es) for the Land, as follows:	the new civic			
4.	Surrey	rey Zoning By-law, 1993, No. 12000, as amended is varied as follows:	_			
	(a)	In Table C.1 of Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading for a elementary school, the requirement to provide 11 parking spaces for esquare metres (1,075 sq. ft.) of gross floor area for associated gymnasi and	every 100			
	(b)	In Table C.1 of Part 5 Off-Street Parking and Loading/Unloading for a elementary school, the required number of parking spaces for every cincreased from 1.0 parking space to 1.75 parking spaces per classroom	lassroom is			
5.		development variance permit applies to only the portion of the Land shown on edule A which is attached hereto and forms part of this development variance permit.				
6.		The Land shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this development variance permit.				
7.	constr	development variance permit shall lapse if the Owner does not substantially start any truction with respect to which this development variance permit is issued, within two ears after the date this development variance permit is issued.				
8.		terms of this development variance permit or any amendment to it, are binding on all sons who acquire an interest in the Land.				
9.	This d	s development variance permit is not a building permit.				
	IORIZIN D THIS	ZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE COUNCIL, THE DAY OF IIS DAY OF , 20 .	, 20 .			
		Mayor – Doug McCallum				
		City Clerk				

# Schedule A

