Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment November 14, 2024

File:	A/108/24	
Address:	41 Gladiator Rd	Markham
Applicant:	Jun An	
Hearing Date:	Wednesday, Dec	ember 4, 2024

The following comments are provided on behalf of the East Team:

The applicant is requesting relief from the following requirements of By-law 2024-19, RES-ENLR, as amended, as it relates to a proposed two-storey detached dwelling:

a) By-law 2024-19, Section 6.3.2.2(c):

a maximum main building coverage of 27.6 percent for the second storey, whereas the by-law permits a maximum main building coverage of 20 percent; and

b) <u>By-law 2024-19, Section 4.8.10.1(a):</u>

a minimum porch depth of 1.52 metres, whereas the by-law requires a minimum porch depth of 1.8 metres.

BACKGROUND

Property Description

The 641.50 m² (6,905.05 ft²) subject property is located on the east side of Gladiator Road, north of Southdale Drive, East of McCowan Road and south of Highway 7 East. The property is located within an established residential neighbourhood comprised of a mix of one and two-storey detached dwellings. Mature vegetation exists across the property.

There is an existing detached dwelling on the property, which according to assessment records was constructed in 1966.

Proposal

The applicant is proposing to construct a two-storey detached dwelling with a gross floor area of 328.9 m² (3,540.25 ft²). The total building depth proposed is 16.02 m (53.15 ft), including a 1.52 m (5.0 ft) front porch.

Official Plan and Zoning

Official Plan 2014 (partially approved on November 24/17, and updated on April 9/18)

Section 8.2.3.5 of the 2014 Official Plan outlines development criteria for the "Residential Low Rise" designation to ensure infill development respects and reflects the existing pattern and character of surrounding neighborhood. These criteria include policies with respect to height, massing, setbacks, and protection of existing vegetation.

Zoning By-Law 2024-19

The subject property is zoned RES-ENLR under By-law 2024-19, as amended, which permits Detached dwelling, Home Child Care, Home Occupation, Shared Housing – Small Scale and select uses that legally existed on the lot prior to the passing of By-law 2024-19, as amended.

Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) Undertaken

The applicant has completed a Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) to confirm the <u>initial</u> variances required for the proposed development. The applicant submitted revised drawings on October 31, 2024. The applicant has not conducted a Zoning Preliminary Review for the revised drawings. Consequently, it is the owner's responsibility to ensure that the application has accurately identified all the variances to the Zoning By-law required for the proposed development. If the variance request in this application contains errors, or if the need for additional variances is identified during the Building Permit review process, further variance application(s) may be required to address the non-compliance.

COMMENTS

The Planning Act states that four tests must be met in order for a variance to be granted by the Committee of Adjustment:

- a) The variance must be minor in nature;
- b) The variance must be desirable, in the opinion of the Committee of Adjustment, for the appropriate development or use of land, building or structure;
- c) The general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law must be maintained;
- d) The general intent and purpose of the Official Plan must be maintained.

Increase in Main Building Coverage (Second Storey)

The applicant is requesting relief to permit a Second Storey Main Building Coverage of 27.6% of the lot area, whereas the By-Law permits a main building coverage on the second floor of 20% of the lot area. This equates to a total second-storey coverage of approximately 176.80 m² (1,904.06 ft²), representing an additioanl 7.6% (48.5 m² or 522.05 ft²)

Staff note that the By-Law permits a building coverage of 30% for the first storey and 20% for any storey above the first. The proposed second storey coverage is less than the first storey, and does not feature any projections past the first storey. There is a 1.07 m (3.50 ft) step back above the garage, which contributes to reducing the visual massing of the structure. Staff are of the opinion that the requested variance will not significantly increase the building's scale or massing, aligns with similar infill developments to the east, and will not negatively impact the surrounding area. Staff opine that the requested variance.

Reduction in Front Porch Depth

The applicant is requesting relief to permit a minimum porch depth of 1.52 m (5.0 ft), whereas the By-law requires a minimum front porch depth of 1.8 m (5.90 ft). This represents a decrease of 0.32 m (0.90 ft).

Staff note that the porch is in-line with the front wall of surrounding houses, and does not project excessively past the garage. Staff have no objections to the proposed variance as the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-Law has been maintained.

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

No written submissions were received as of November 26, 2024. It is noted that additional information may be received after the writing of the report, and the Secretary-Treasurer will provide information on this at the meeting.

CONCLUSION

Planning Staff have reviewed the application with respect to Section 45(1) of The Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended, and are of the opinion that the variance request meets the four tests of the Planning Act and have no objection. Staff recommend that the Committee consider public input in reaching a decision.

The onus is ultimately on the applicant to demonstrate why they should be granted relief from the requirements of the zoning by-law, and how they satisfy the tests of the Planning Act required for the granting of minor variances.

Please refer to Appendix "A" for conditions to be attached to any approval of this application.

APPENDICIES

Appendix "A" – A.108/24 Conditions of Approval Appendix "B" – Drawings

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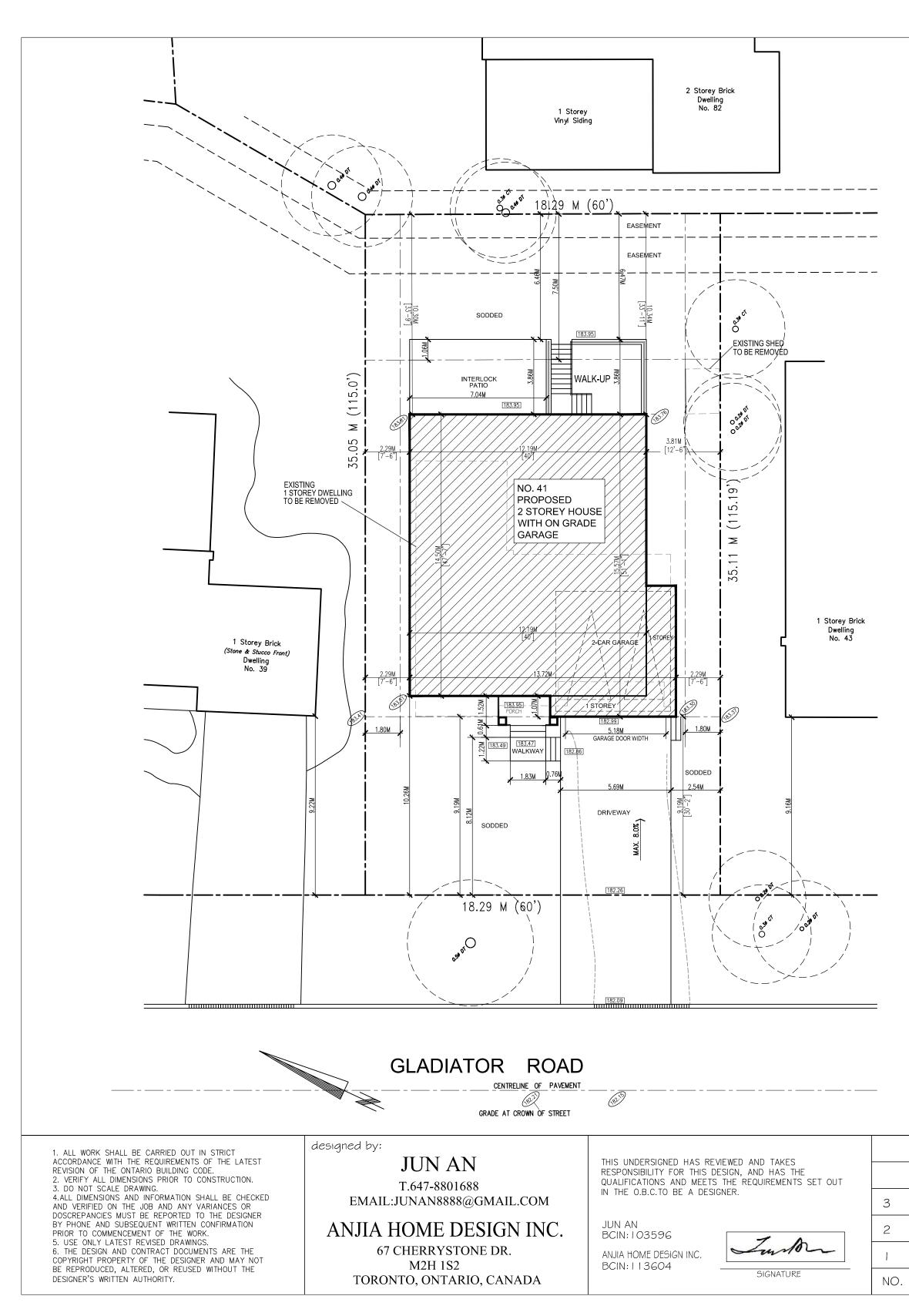
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APPENDIX "A" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/108/24

- 1. The variances apply only to the proposed development as long as it remains;
- 2. That the variances apply only to the subject development, in substantial conformity with the plan(s) attached as 'Appendix B' to this Staff Report, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the Supervisor of the Committee of Adjustment or designate that this condition has been fulfilled to their satisfaction;

CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:

Aaron Chau, Planner I, East District



Appendix B	
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SITE PLAN 1:150

ZONING: RES-ENLR UNDER BY-LAW 2024-19

ZONING SUMMARY:

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	PERMITTED	PROPOSED
USE OF BUILDING	DETACHED DWELLING	DETACHED DWELLING
MIN. LOT FRONTAGE	23.0 M	18.29 M (EXISTING)
MIN. LOT DEPTH	30.0 M	35.08 M (EXISTING)
MAX. MAIN BUILDING COVERAGE FIRST STOREY	30% (192.4 S.M.)	30% (192.4 S.M.)
MAX. MAIN BUILDING COVERAGE SECOND STOREY	20% (128.3 S.M.)	27.6% (176.8 S.M.)
MAX. DISTANCE OF MAIN BUILDING FIRST STOREY	19.5 M	15.57 M
MAX. DISTANCE OF MAIN BUILDING SECOND STOREY	14.5 M	14.5 M
MIN. FRONT YARD SETBACK	9.19 M	9.19 M
MIN. REAR YARD SETBACK	7.5 M	10.30 M
MIN. SIDE YARD SETBACK (NORTH)	1.8 M	2.29 M
MIN. SIDE YARD SETBACK (SOUTH)	1.8 M	2.29 M
MIN. SIDE YARD SETBACK COMBINED ON BOTH SIDES	4.57 M	4.57 M
MAX. OUTSIDE WALL HEIGHT	7.0 M	6.5 M
MAX. NUMBER OF STOREYS	2	2
MAX. GARAGE DOOR WDTH	6.86 M	5.18 M
MAX. PROJECTION OF GARAGE	1.8 M	0 M
MIN. FRONT YARD PORCH DEPTH	1.8 M	1.52 M

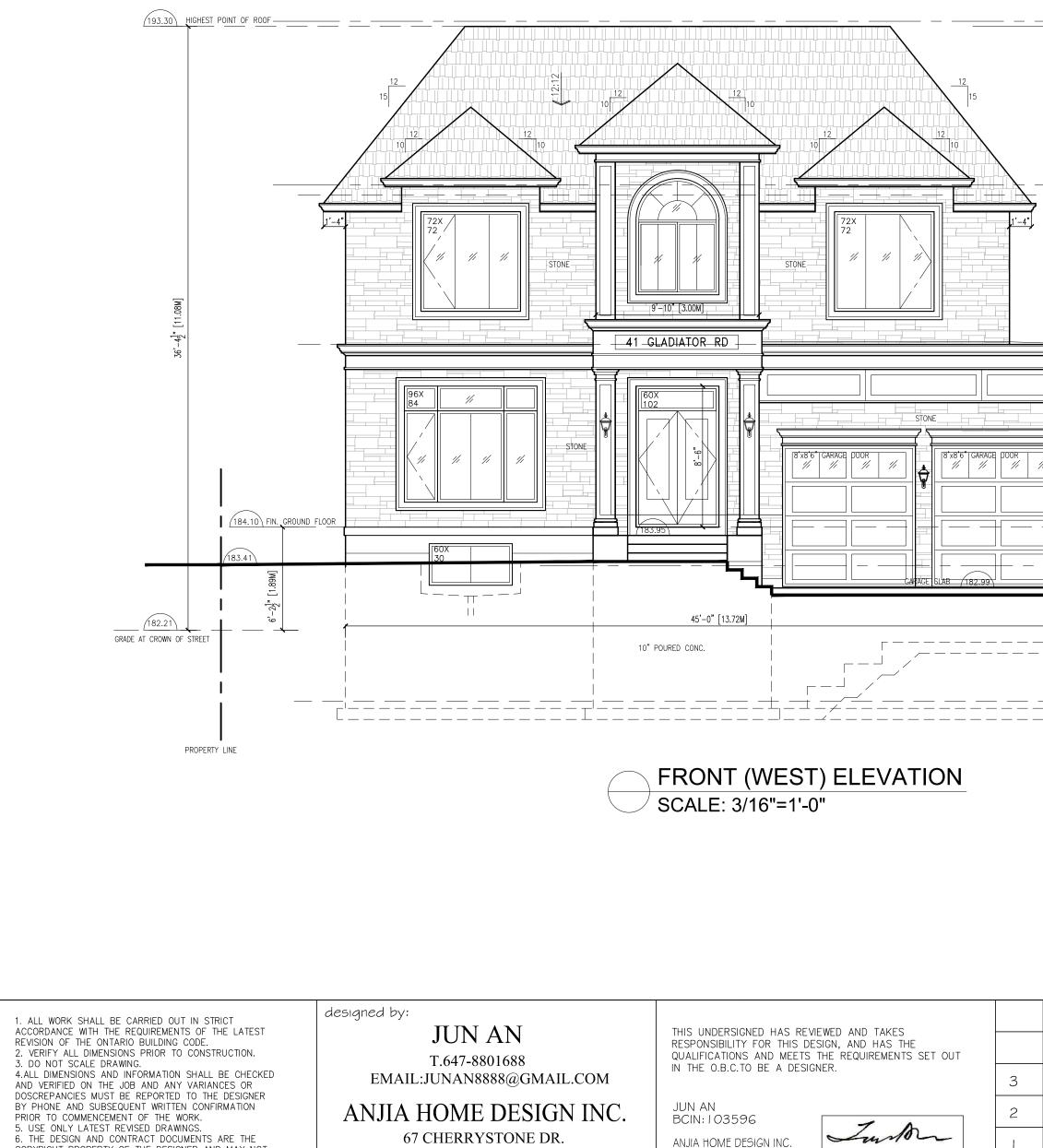
STATISTICS:

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GROSS FLOOR AREA	
GROSS BASEMENT FLOOR AREA	151.5 SQ. M.
GROSS GROUND FLOOR AREA (LIVING)	151.5 SQ. M.
GARAGE AREA	40.9 SQ. M.
GROSS SECOND FLOOR AREA	176.8 SQ. M.
TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA (BASEMENT AND GARAGE NOT INCLUDED)	328.9 SQ. M.

LOT AREA	641.5 SQ. M.
ESTABLISHED GRADE	183.39 M
AVERAGE GRADE LEVEL	183.60 M

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PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF THE WORK.
5. USE ONLY LATEST REVISED DRAWINGS.
6. THE DESIGN AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS ARE THE
COPYRIGHT PROPERTY OF THE DESIGNER AND MAY NOT
BE REPRODUCED, ALTERED, OR REUSED WITHOUT THE
DESIGNER'S WRITTEN AUTHORITY.

ANJIA HOME DESIGN INC. BCIN: 1 13604 TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA

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