Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment

August 29, 2023

File: A/038/23

Address: 41 Galsworthy Drive, Markham

Applicant: 1000183958 Ontario Inc. (Grumeet Minhas)

Agent: Zero Degree Studio Inc. (Roy Chan)

Hearing Date: Wednesday, August 30, 2023

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

The Applicant is requesting relief from the following "Single Family Detached Dwelling (R1)" zone requirements of By-law 1229, as amended, as it relates to a proposed two-storey single detached dwelling. The variance requested is to permit:

a) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(i):

a maximum building height of 10.10 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum building height of 9.80 metres;

b) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(iii):

a maximum depth of 19.91 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 16.80 metres;

c) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(vi):

a maximum floor area ratio of 50 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 45 percent.

BACKGROUND

This application was first submitted on April 19, 2023 and was deferred by the Committee of Adjustment (the "Committee") for the applicant to address the Committee's concerns over the requested building height, the building depth, and the floor area ratio. At the June 28, 2023 hearing the application was deferred for the second time for the applicant to address the Committee's concern over requested floor area ratio (Refer to Minutes – Appendix "B"). The revised variances which were considered at the June 28, 2023 hearing are identified in the June 28, 2023 Staff Report (Appendix "A").

COMMENTS

On July 12, 2023, the applicant submitted revised drawings further reducing the floor area by 11.2 m² (120.55 ft²) which results in a floor area ratio of 50% for the construction of a two-storey single detached dwelling (Refer to Appendix "C"). The applicant increased the side yard setback facing south of the property and increased the driveway projection of the proposed dwelling to accomplish the further reduced floor area ratio. The applicant did not conduct 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. Staff remain of the opinion that the proposed variances are appropriate.

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

No written submissions were received as of August 29, 2023. 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 "D" for conditions to be attached to any approval of this application.

APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Staff Report Dated June 28, 2023

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REVIEWED BY:

Stacia Muradali, Development Manager, East District

APPENDIX "A" - Staff Report Dated June 28, 2023

Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment 23.116178.000.00.MNV June 15, 2023

File: A/038/23

Address: 41 Galsworthy Drive, Markham

Applicant: 1000183958 Ontario Inc. (Grumeet Minhas)

Agent: Zero Degree Studio Inc. (Roy Chan)

Hearing Date: Wednesday, June 28, 2023

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b) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2 (iii):

a maximum depth of 19.91 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum depth of 16.80 metres;

c) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2 (vi):

a maximum floor area ratio of 51.33 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 45 percent.

BACKGROUND

Property Description

This application was deferred by the Committee of Adjustment (the "Committee") at the April 19, 2023 hearing, for the Applicant to address the Committee's concern over the building depth of 20.68 metres and the floor area ratio variance of 53.58 percent (Refer to Minutes - Appendix "B").

COMMENTS

On May 17, 2023, the Applicant submitted revised drawings reducing the building depth by 0.77 metres, to now propose a building depth of 19.91 metres and reduce the gross floor area by 18.69 m² (201.20 ft²), to now propose a floor area ratio of 51.33 percent. The applicant has completed a Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) on May 12, 2023 to confirm the variances required for the proposed development.

Staff's previous comments remain applicable (refer to Appendix "A"). Staff are of the opinion that the requested variances will not result in overdevelopment of the site and that the proposed dwelling is generally in keeping with the intended scale of residential infill developments for the neighbourhood. Staff have no



objection to the approval of the application.

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

As of June 15, 2023 the City received no new written correspondence. Prior to the April 19, 2023 hearing, the Committee received two letters expressing concerns over the requested building depth and the floor area ratio that were in relation to the original variance request. 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 "D" for conditions to be attached to any approval of this application.

PREPARED BY:

Hussnain Mohammad, Planner 1, Development Facilitation Office

REVIEWED BY:

Stacia Muradali, Development Manager, East District

APPENDICES:

Appendix A – Staff Report Dated April 14, 2023

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APPENDIX "A" – Staff Report Dated April 14, 2023

Memorandum to the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment

April 14, 2023

File: A/038/23

Address: 41 Galsworthy Drive, Markham

Applicant: 1000183958 Ontario Inc. (Grumeet Minhas)

Agent: Zero Degree Studio Inc. (Roy Chan)

Hearing Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2023

The following comments are provided on behalf of the East District team:

The Applicant is requesting relief from the following "Single Family Detached Dwelling (R1)" zone requirements of By-law 1229, as amended, as it relates to a proposed two-storey single detached dwelling. The variance requested is to permit:

a) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2 (i):

a maximum building height of 10.1 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum building height of 9.8 metres;

b) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2 (ii):

a maximum depth of 20.68 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum depth of 16.8 metres;

c) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2 (vi):

a maximum floor area ratio of 53.58 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 45 percent.

BACKGROUND

Property Description

The 1,043.53 m² (11,232.46 ft²) Subject Lands are located on the east side of Galsworthy Drive, north of Robinson Street, and south of Abercorn Road (refer to Appendix "A" – Aerial Photo). The Subject Lands are located within an established residential neighbourhood comprised of a mix of one and two-storey detached dwellings.

There is an existing 137.67 m² (1,481 ft²) one-storey detached dwelling on the Subject Lands which was constructed in 1957, according to assessment records. Mature vegetation exists on the property including several large mature trees within the front, side and rear yards.

Proposal

The Applicant is proposing to construct a new two-storey detached dwelling including a front and rear covered porch with approximately 443.86 m² (4,777.67 ft²) of gross floor area (refer to Appendix "B" – Plans).

Official Plan and Zoning

Official Plan 2014 (partially approved on November 24/17, and updated on April 9/18) The Subject Lands are designated "Residential Low Rise", which permits low rise housing forms including single detached dwellings. Section 8.2.3.5 of the Official Plan outlines development criteria for the "Residential Low Rise" designation with respect to height, massing and setbacks. This criterion is established to ensure that the development is appropriate for the site and generally consistent with the zoning

requirements for adjacent properties and properties along the same street. In considering applications for development approval in a "Residential Low Rise" area, which includes variances, infill development is required to meet the general intent of these development criteria. Regard shall also be had for retention of existing trees and vegetation, the width of proposed garages and driveways. Planning staff have had regard for the requirements of the infill development criteria in the preparation of the comments provided below.

Zoning By-Law 1229

The Subject Lands are zoned "Single Family Residential (R1)" under By-law 1229, as amended, which permits a single detached dwelling.

Residential Infill Zoning By-law 99-90

The Subject Lands are also subject to the Residential Infill Zoning By-law 99-90. The intent of this By-law is to ensure the built form of new residential construction will maintain the character of existing neighbourhoods. It specifies development standards for building depth, garage projection, garage width, net floor area ratio, height, yard setbacks and number of storeys. The proposed development does not comply with the infill By-law requirements with respect to maximum floor area ratio, maximum building height, and maximum building depth.

Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) Undertaken

The Applicant has completed a Zoning Preliminary Review (ZPR) to confirm the initial variances required for the proposed development. The Applicant submitted revised drawings on January 24, 2023. 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; and
- d) The general intent and purpose of the Official Plan must be maintained.

Increase in Maximum Floor Area Ratio

The Applicant is requesting relief to permit a floor area ratio of 53.58 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum floor area ratio of 45 percent. The variance will facilitate the construction of a two-storey detached dwelling including a front and rear covered porch with approximately 443.86 m² (4,777.67 ft²) of total gross floor area, whereas the By-law permits a dwelling with a maximum floor area of 372.75 m² (4,012.31 ft²). This represents an increase of approximately 71.11 m² (765.42 ft²).

Floor Area Ratio is a measure of the interior square footage of the dwelling as a percentage of the net lot area however; it is not a definitive measure of the mass of the dwelling.

The building layout meets all other zoning provisions (such as setbacks and lot coverage) that establish the prescribed building envelope, which ensures the proposed dwelling will be in keeping with the intended scale of residential infill developments for the neighbourhood. The proposed gross floor area is also consistent with the recent infill development trend, including a number of nearby infill homes in the surrounding area that have obtained variance approval for similar increase in floor area ratio ranging between 49.0 percent and 53.40 percent.

Staff are of the opinion that the proposed maximum floor area ratio is compatible with development on the street and have no concern with the requested variance.

Increase in Maximum Building Height

The Applicant is requesting relief to permit a maximum building height of 10.10 metres (33.14 ft), whereas the By-law permits a maximum building height of 9.80 m (32.15 ft). This represents an increase of 0.30 m (0.98 ft).

Staff are of the opinion that the proposed maximum building height is minor in nature and will not impact the streetscape and have no concern with the requested variance.

Increase in Maximum Building Depth

The applicant is requesting relief to permit a maximum building depth of 20.68 m (67.84 ft), whereas the By-law permits a maximum building depth of 16.80 m (55.12 ft). This represents an increase of approximately 3.88 m (12.73 ft).

Building depth is measured based on the shortest distance between two lines, both parallel to the front lot line, one passing though the point on the dwelling which is the nearest and the other through the point on the dwelling which is the farthest from the front lot line.

The variance includes a porch and rear covered veranda which adds approximately 4.0 m (13.12 ft) to the overall depth of the building. The main component of the building, excluding the porch and rear covered veranda, has a depth of 16.68 m (54.72 ft) which complies with the by-law requirement.

Staff are of the opinion that the proposed maximum building depth is minor in nature and will have no impact and have no concern with the requested variance.

EXTERNAL AGENCIES

Metrolinx Comments

Metrolinx provided comments on March 27, 2023 (refer to Appendix "D"), requesting the Applicant enter into an agreement to grant Metrolinx an environmental easement for "Operational Emissions", registered on title against the subject residential dwelling in favour of Metrolinx, as the property is located within 300 m (984.25 ft) of the rail corridor right-of-way. Metrolinx has provided wording for the requested environmental easement which references details related to "Operational Emissions" as detailed in Appendix "D". Staff recommend that the proposed development be subject to the associated condition of approval provided in Appendix "C".

PUBLIC INPUT SUMMARY

No written submissions were received as of April 13, 2023. 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 "C" for conditions to be attached to any approval of this application.

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Stacia Muradali, Development Manager, East District

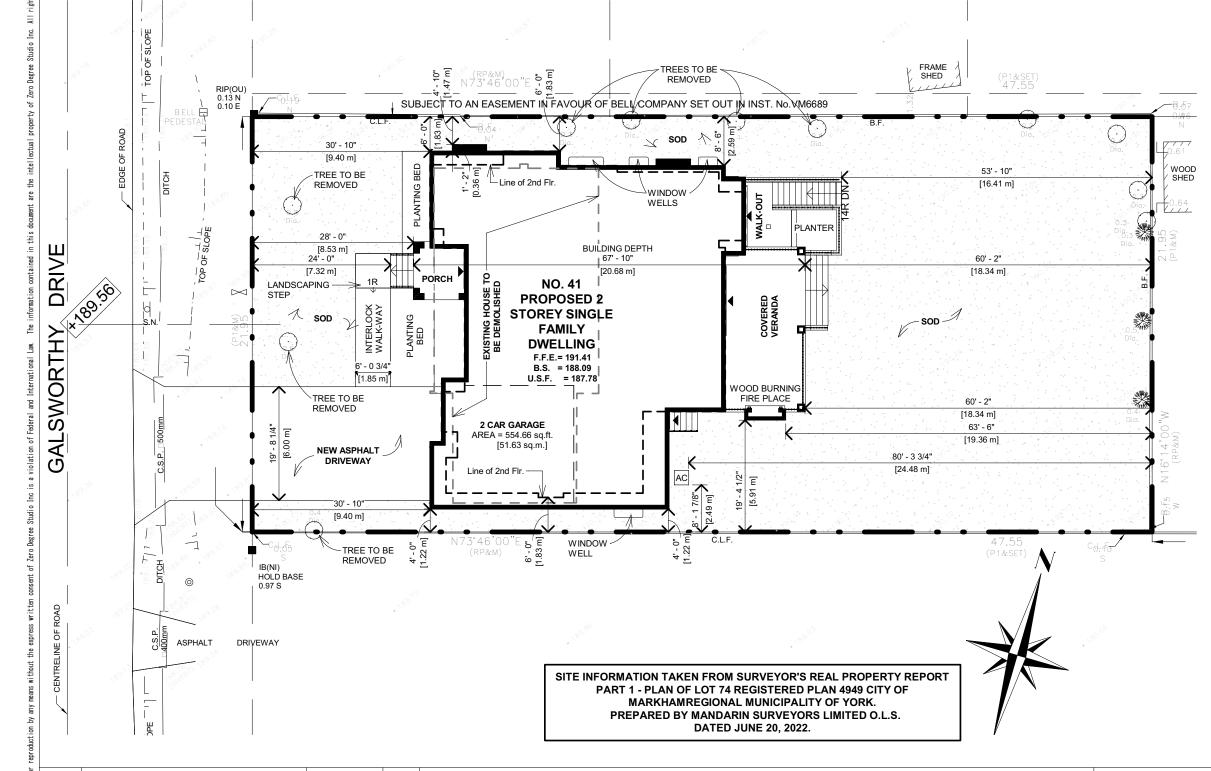
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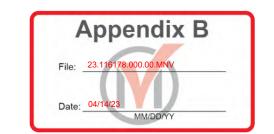
Appendix A – Aerial Photo

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Appendix D – Metrolinx





ZONE 1229)	R1 - Residential (By-law
MINIMUM LOT AREA	6,600 sq.ft.
MINIMUM LOT FRONTAGE	60 ft

MINIMUM LOT FRONTAGE 60 ft
MAXIMUM COVERAGE 35 %
MAXIMUM NET FLOOR AREA RATIO 45 %

SETBACKS
MINIMUM FRONT YARD 25 ft
MINIMUM REAR YARD 25 ft
MINIMUM SIDE YARD - One Storey Portion 4 ft
MINIMUM SIDE YARD - Two Storey Portion 6 ft

MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT 9.8 m [32.15 ft]

MAXIMUM BUILDING DEPTH

ZONING STANDARDS

(includes porch and veranda) 16.8 m [65.62 ft]

SITE STATISTICS

LOT AREA 1,043.53 sq.m. [11,232.49 sq.ft.] LOT FRONTAGE 21.95 m [72.01 ft]

COVERAGE 29.59 %

308.79 sq.m. [3,323.76 sq.ft.] FRONT YARD AREA 220.86 sq.m. [2,377.30 sq.ft.]

DRIVEWAY AREA (26.33 %) 58.15 sq.m. [625.97 sq.ft.] LANDSCAPED SOFT AREA (63.38%) 139.99 sq.m. [1,506.91 sq.ft.] LANDSCAPED HARD AREA (10.28%) 22.71 sq.m. [244.42 sq.ft.]

PROPOSED HEIGHT 10.10m [33.14 ft]

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 215.02 sq.m.
 [2,314.48 sq.ft.]

 1st Floor Area
 48.81 sq.m.
 [525.40 sq.ft.]

 2nd Floor Area
 180.03 sq.m.
 [1,937.89 sq.ft.]

 Total Area
 443.86 sq.m.
 [4,777.77 sq.ft.]

NET FLOOR AREARATIO = 4777.77 / (6600 + 1/2(11232.49 - 6600.00)) = 53.58 %

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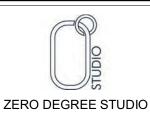
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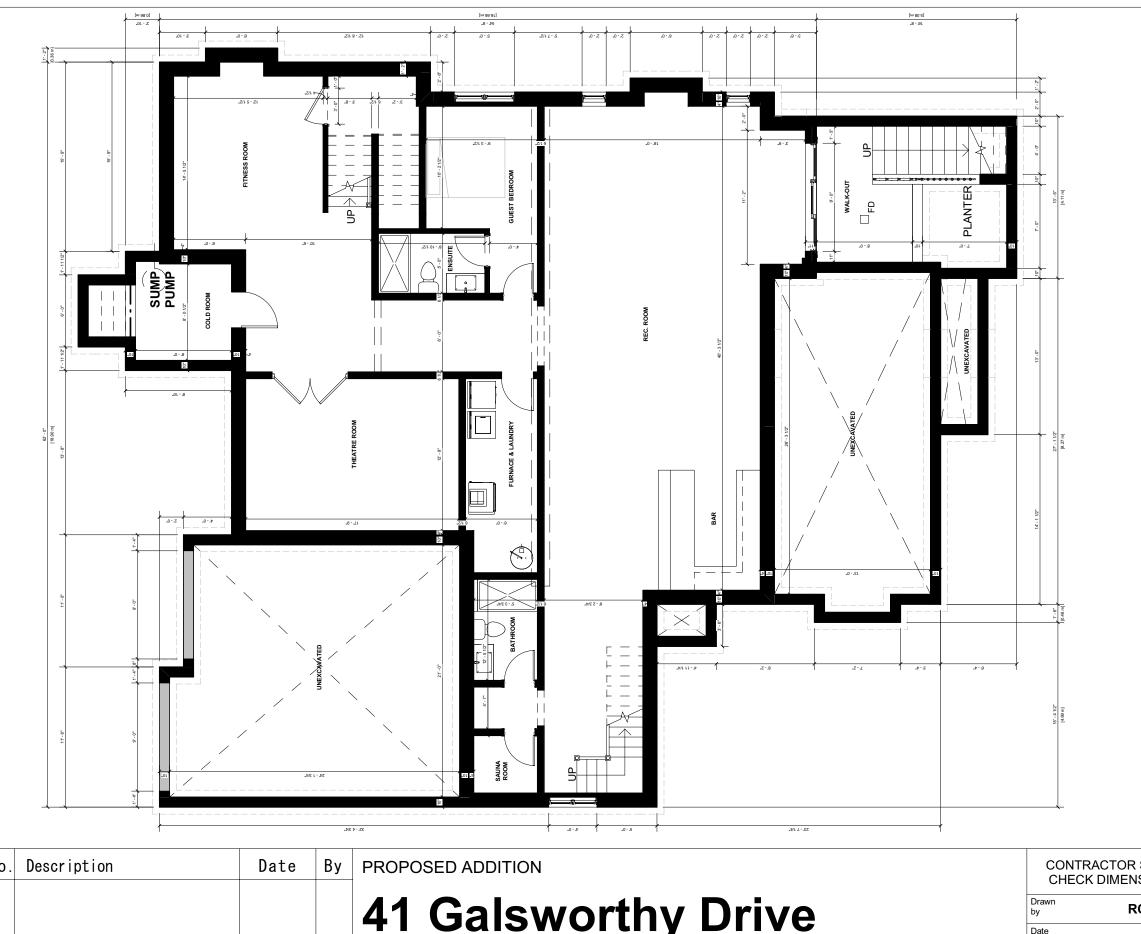
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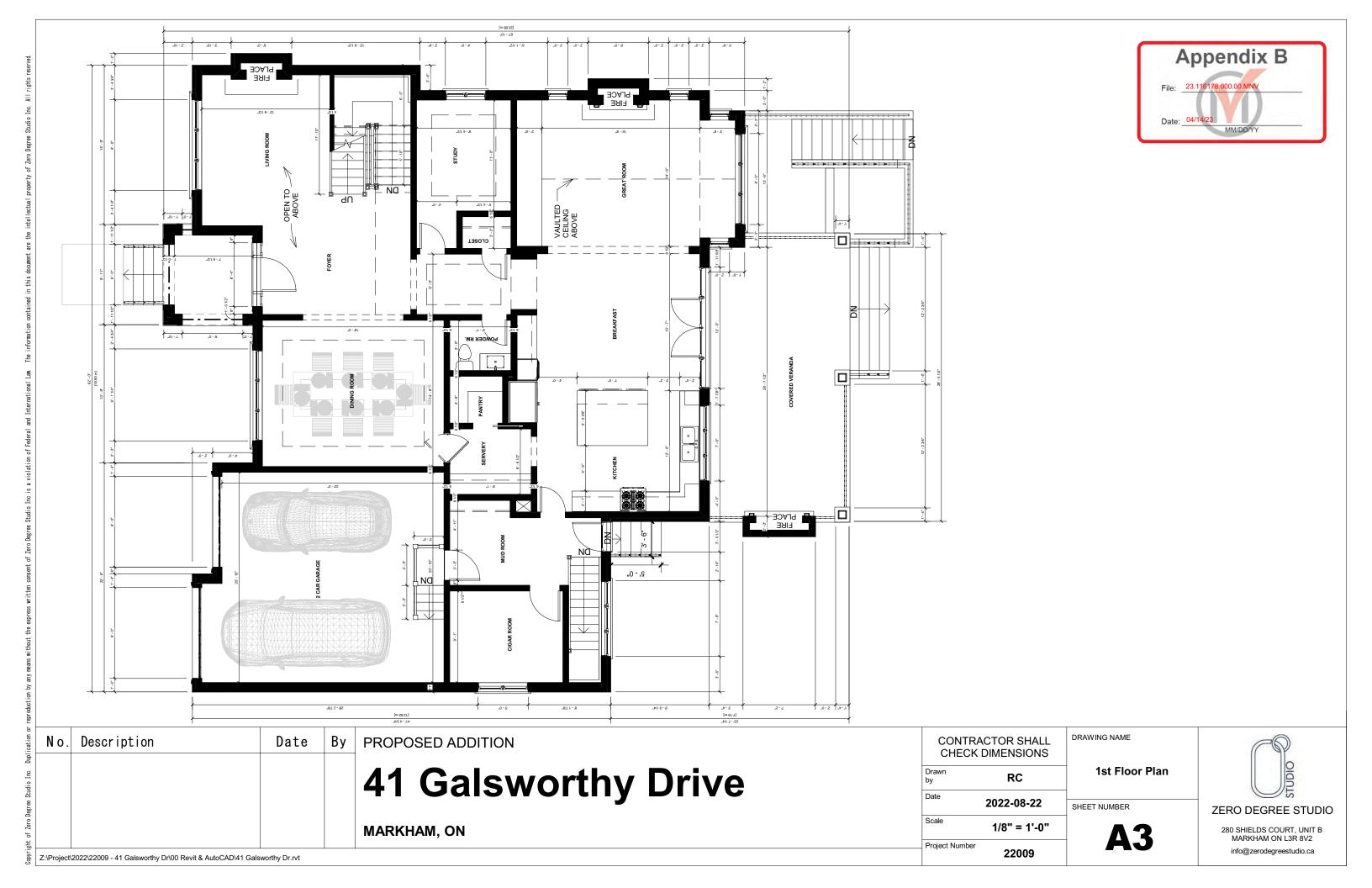


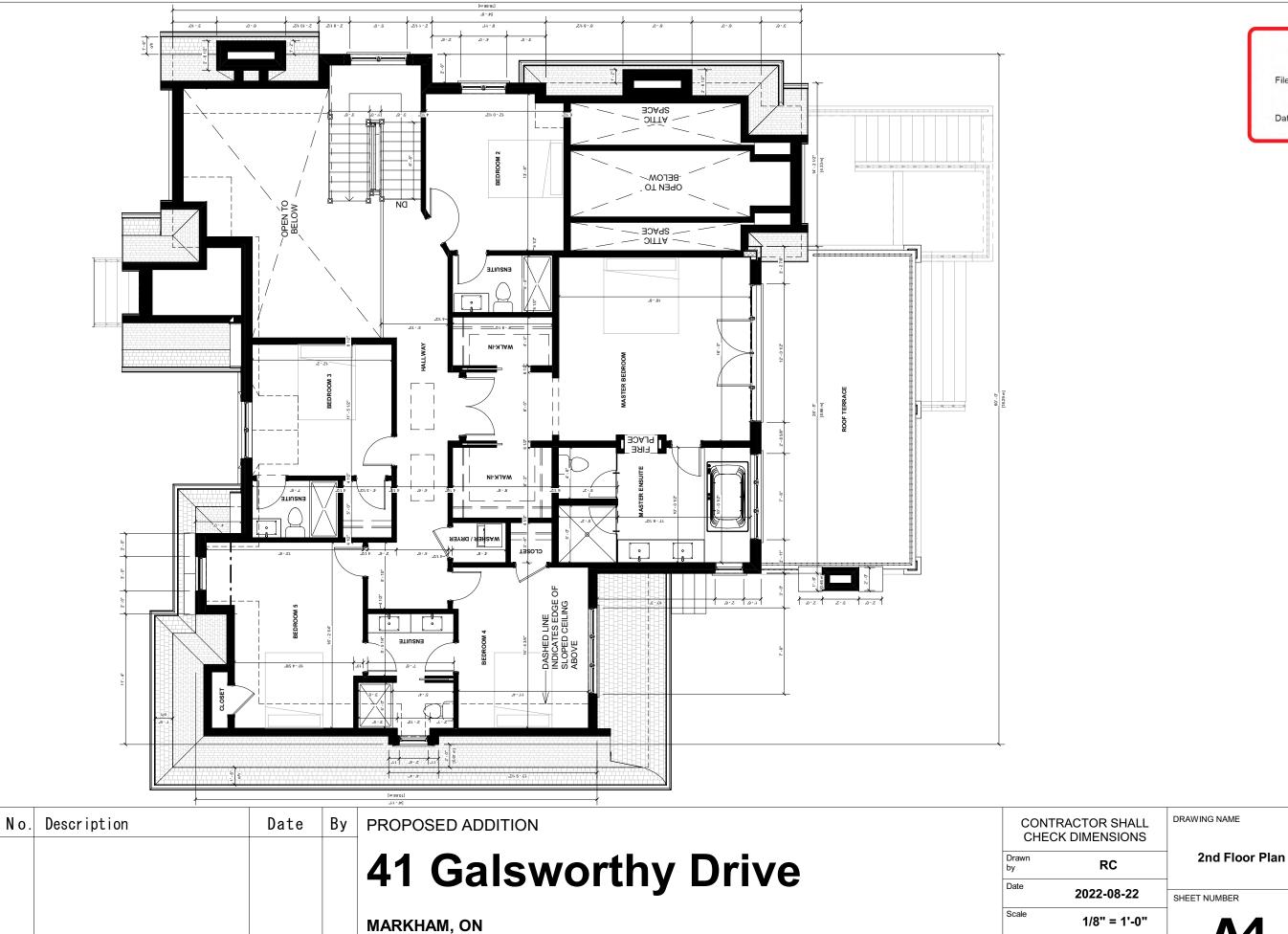
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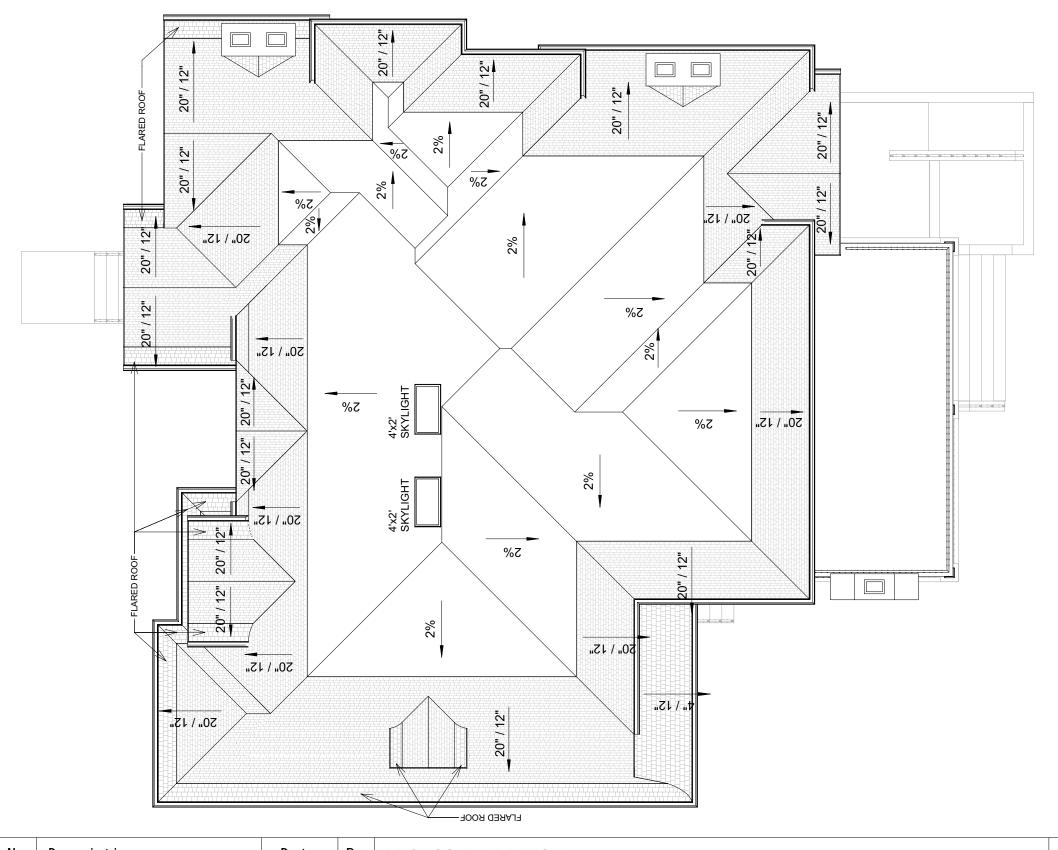
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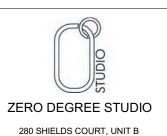
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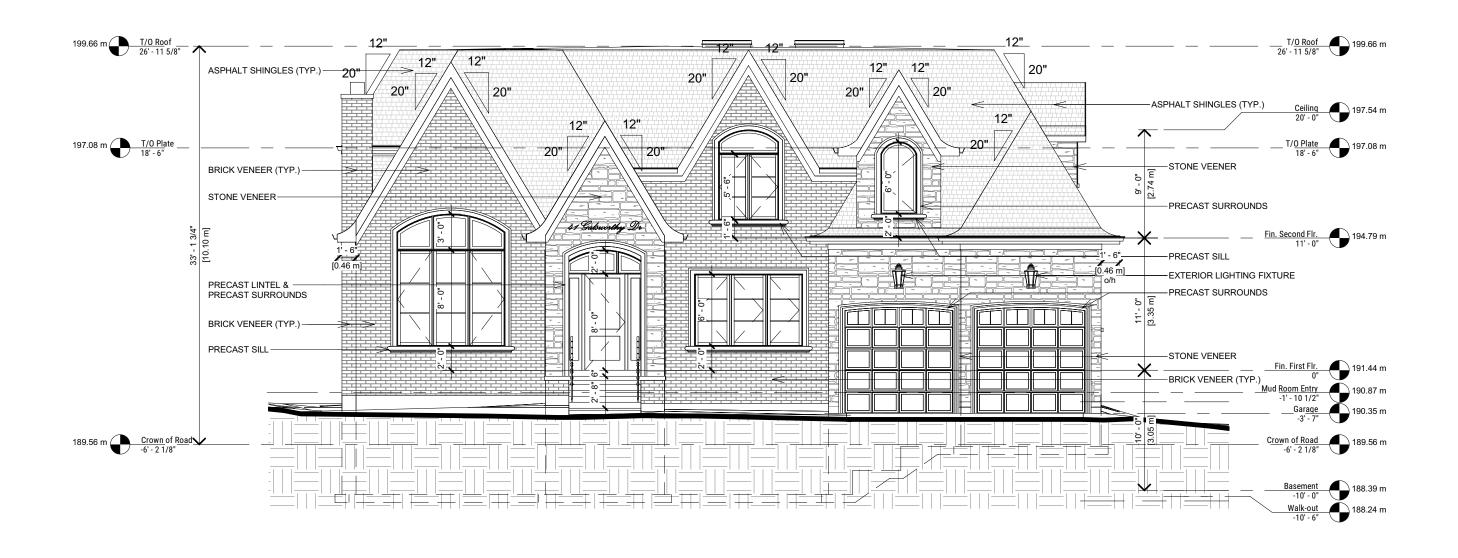
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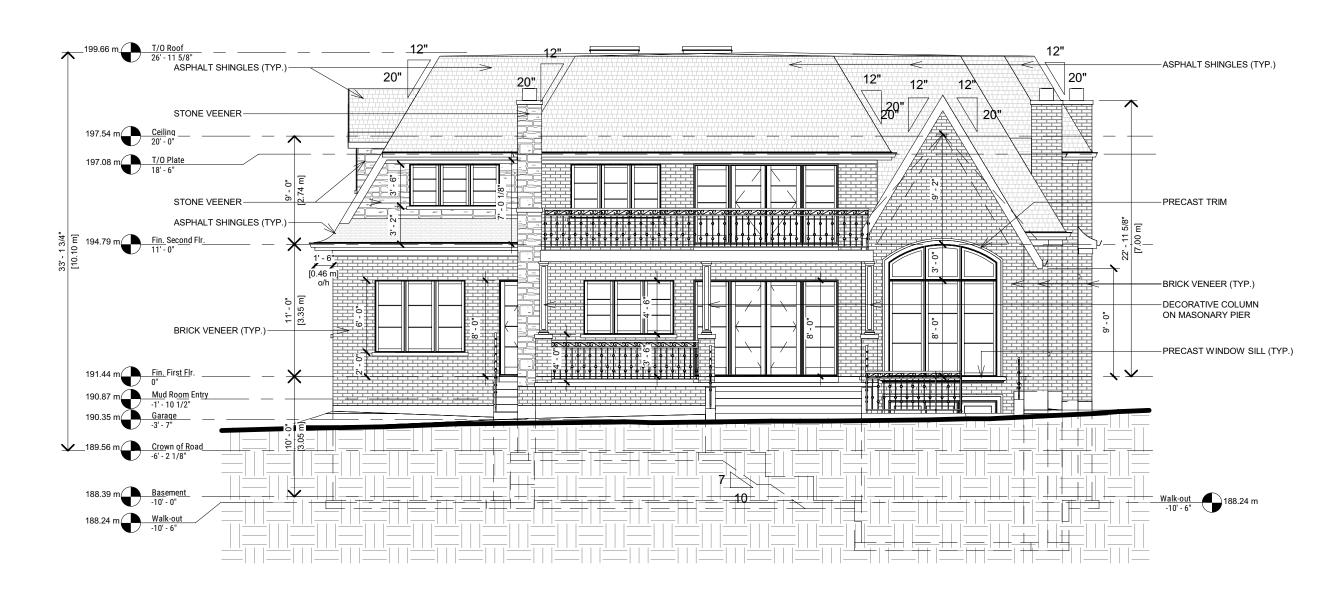
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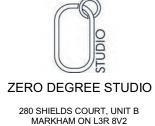


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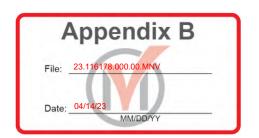
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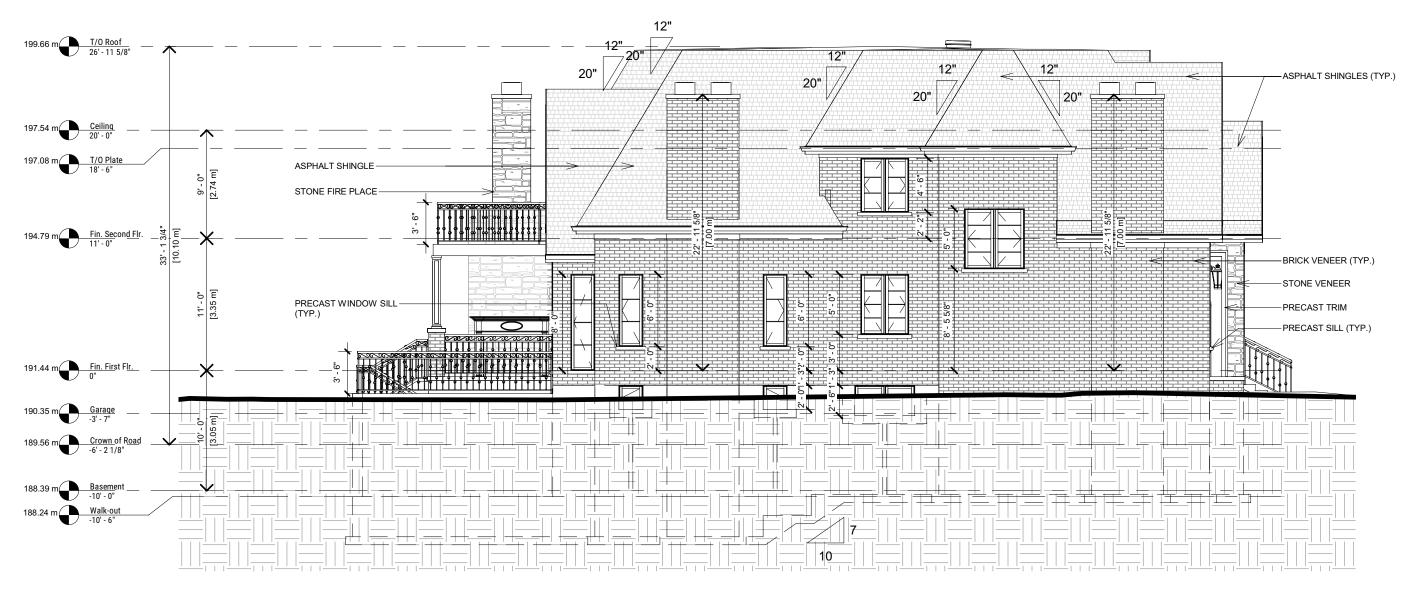
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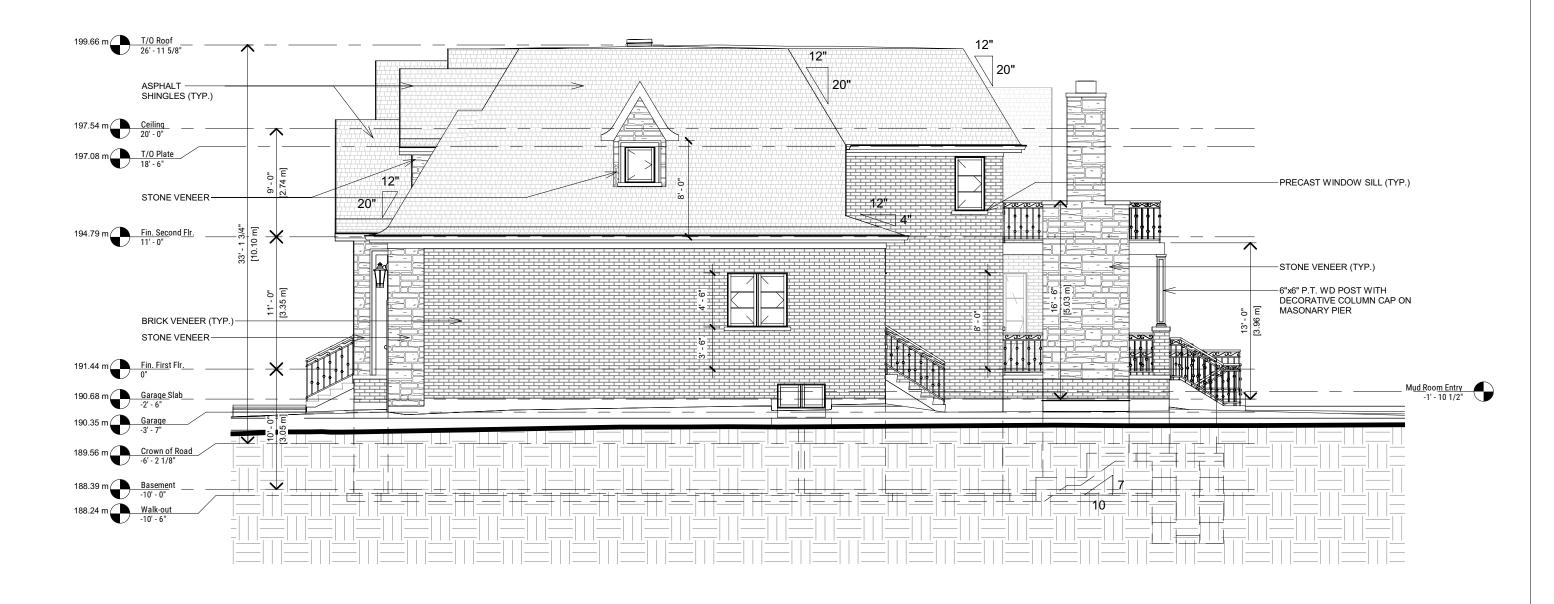
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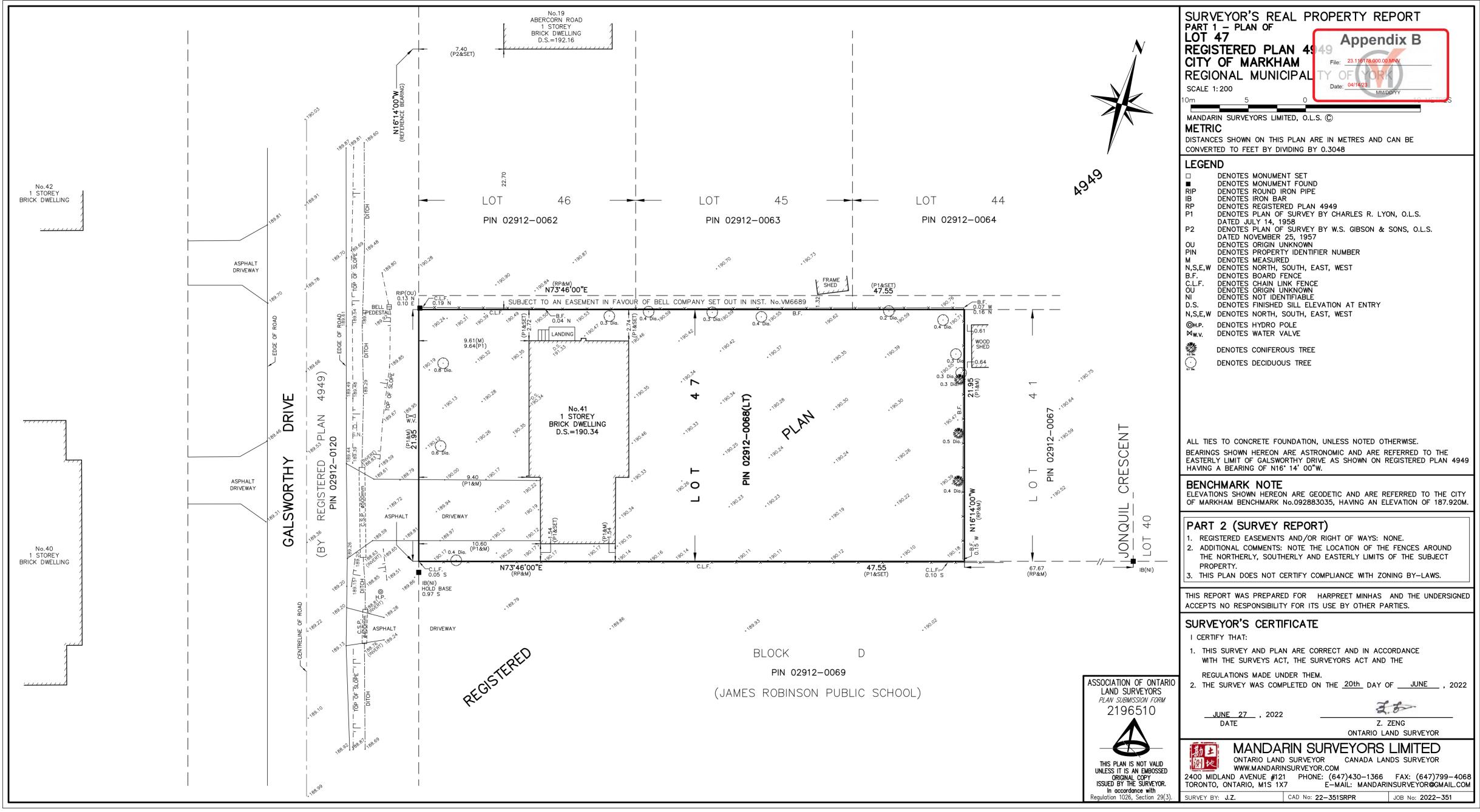
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APPENDIX "C" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/038/23

- 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 Director of Planning and Urban Design or designate that this condition has been fulfilled to his or her satisfaction:
- 3. Submission of a Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan, prepared by a qualified arborist in accordance with the City's Streetscape Manual (2009), as amended, to be reviewed and approved by the City, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from Tree Preservation Technician or Manager of By-law Enforcement & Regulatory Services Division that this condition has been fulfilled to his/her satisfaction, and that any detailed Siting, Lot Grading and Servicing Plan required as a condition of approval reflects the Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan;
- 4. That the Applicant satisfies the requirements of Metrolinx, as indicated in their letter to the Secretary-Treasurer attached as Appendix "D" to this Staff Report, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receives written confirmation that this conditions has been fulfilled to the satisfaction of Metrolinx.

CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:

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Hussnain Mohammad, Planner, Zoning and Special Projects

APPENDIX "D" METROLINX COMMENTS: March 28, 2023



Form of Easement

WHEREAS the Transferor is the owner of those lands legally described in the Properties section of the Transfer Easement to which this Schedule is attached (the "Easement Lands");

IN CONSIDERATION OF the sum of TWO DOLLARS (\$2.00) and such other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the Transferor, the Transferor transfers to the Transferee, and its successors and assigns, a permanent and perpetual non-exclusive easement or right and interest in the nature of a permanent and perpetual non-exclusive easement over, under, along and upon the whole of the Easement Lands and every part thereof for the purposes of discharging, emitting, releasing or venting thereon or otherwise affecting the Easement Lands at any time during the day or night with noise, vibration and other sounds and emissions of every nature and kind whatsoever, including fumes, odours, dust, smoke, gaseous and particulate matter, electromagnetic interference and stray current but excluding spills, arising from or out of, or in connection with, any and all present and future railway or other transit facilities and operations upon the lands of the Transferee and including, without limitation, all such facilities and operations presently existing and all future renovations, additions, expansions and other changes to such facilities and all future expansions, extensions, increases, enlargement and other changes to such operations (herein collectively called the "Operational Emissions").

THIS Easement and all rights and obligations arising from same shall extend to, be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees, servants, tenants, sub-tenants, customers, licensees and other operators, occupants and invitees and each of its or their respective heirs, executors, legal personal representatives, successors and assigns. The covenants and obligations of each party hereto, if more than one person, shall be joint and several.

Easement in gross.

APPENDIX "B" – Minutes Extract



CITY OF MARKHAM Virtual Meeting on Zoom

April 19, 2023 7:00 pm

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

Minutes

The 7th regular meeting of the Committee of Adjustment for the year 2023 was held at the time and virtual space above with the following people present:

Arrival Time

Tom Gutfreund, Acting Chair7:00 pmJeamie Reingold7:00 pmSally Yan7:00 pmPatrick Sampson7:00 pm

Greg Whitfield, Supervisor, Committee of Adjustment

Regrets

Gregory Knight, Chair Kelvin Kwok Arun Prasad

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None

Minutes: April 5, 2023

THAT the minutes of Meeting No. 6, of the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment, held April 5, 2023, be:

a) Approved on April 19, 2023.

Moved By: Patrick Sampson Seconded By: Sally Yan

Carried

PREVIOUS BUSINESS

1. A/175/22

Owner Name: Bing Fu

Agent Name: Gregory Design Group (Shane Gregory)

117 Main Street, Unionville

PL 401 LOT 16

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 122-72, as amended, to permit:

a) Section 7.1:

a minimum flankage side yard setback of 4 feet 9 inches (1.45 metres) for the proposed addition, whereas the by-law requires a flankage side yard setback no less than 12 feet (3.66 metres) or one half the height of the building;

b) Section 11.2 (c):

a minimum rear yard setback of 22 feet 11-1/2 inches (7 metres), whereas the by-law requires a minimum rear yard setback of 25 feet;

c) <u>Section 11.2 (d):</u>

a maximum lot coverage of 34.0 percent, whereas the by-law permits a maximum lot coverage of 33-1/3 percent;

as it related to a proposed two-storey addition with a new detached garage with loft.

The Chair introduced the application.

The agent, Russ Gregory, appeared on behalf of the application.

Member Gutfreund indicated they had visited the site and were of the view the new addition would in keeping with the character of the neighbourhood, and would be in support of the application.

Member Sampson agreed with Member Gutfreund's statements that the variances were minor and would support the application.

Member Yan concurred with Members Gutfreund and Sampson, and was happy with the improvements to the property. Member Yan inquired whether the loft above the garage would be used for an additional dwelling unit.

Russ confirmed the loft would not be used as a dwelling unit.

Member Yan indicated they would be in support of the application.

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Member Reingold agreed with the opinion of the other members and was in support of the application.

Member Sampson motioned for approval with conditions.

Moved By: Patrick Sampson Seconded By: Sally Yan

The Committee unanimously approved the application.

THAT Application No. **A/175/22** be **approved** subject to conditions contained in the staff report.

Resolution Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

2. A/032/23

Owner Name: Vachik Hagopian

Agent Name: RT Architects (Raffi Tashdjian)

67 Ramona Boulevard, Markham

PLAN 9143 LOT 266

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 1229, as amended, to permit:

a) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(i):

a maximum building height of 10.48 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum building height of 9.80 metres;

b) Amending By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(vi):

a maximum floor area ratio of 52.83 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum floor area ratio of 45 percent.

as it related to a proposed single detached dwelling.

The Chair introduced the application.

The agent, Raffi Tashdjian, appeared on behalf of the application.

The Committee received two written pieces of correspondence.

Elizabeth Brown, 65 Lincoln Green Drive, the Committee of Adjustment representative for the Markham Village Sherwood Conservation Residents Association, spoke to the Committee.

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Elizabeth spoke to the size of the lot and the visibility of the proposal as a result of it being a corner lot. Liz spoke to the neighbourhood characteristics and the current lack of infill development in the neighbourhood, and the tone the application would set for future infill within the area.

Elizabeth spoke to the four tests for Minor Variance, and indicated the request for floor area and height did not meet the tests for Minor Variance. Elizabeth also discussed the Official Plan policies for development standards and infill development, and did not believe that the proposal was appropriate for the area.

Randy Marsh, of 65 Ramona Boulevard, spoke to the Committee.

Randy spoke to the proposed attic and that there was no indication of what would be provided in the attic, and believed it should be included within the overall floor area of the dwelling as it contributes to the massing of the dwelling.

Randy quoted Vincent v. DeGasperis and indicated that the applicant did not adequately demonstrate why the variances should be permitted, and did not provide sufficient evidence that the application met the four tests for Minor Variance.

The agent, Raffi Tashdjian, responded to the concerns related to the ceiling height raised by residents and spoke to the needs of the family for the use of spaces within the proposed house.

Member Sampson reiterated the Committee's previous stance regarding approving variances for floor area above 50%, where 45% is permitted and advised they would not be in support of the application.

Member Yan agreed with Member Sampson's comments regarding the height and floor area proposed.

Member Yan agreed with Elizabeth Brown's comments on the greater impact the building would have as a result of it being located on a corner lot. Member Yan believed the building to be too large and that the applicant should reduce the floor area, and that they would not be in support of the application.

Member Reingold agreed with Members Yan and Sampson, however, noted the potential of the design, and that given the appropriate revisions, could have a positive impact on the neighbourhood.

Acting Chair Gutfreund agreed with the other Member's comments, and believed the floor area and height should be reduced to better fit in with the neighbourhood.

Member Reingold motioned for deferral.

Moved By: Jeamie Reingold

Seconded By: Patrick Sampson

THAT Application No. A/032/23 be deferred sine die.

Resolution Carried

3. A/038/23

Owner Name: 1000183958 Ontario Inc. (Grumeet Minhas)

Agent Name: Zero Degree Studio Inc. (Roy Chan)

41 Galsworthy Drive, Markham

PLAN 4949 LOT 47

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 1229, as amended, to permit:

a) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(i):

a maximum building height of 10.1 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum building height of 9.8 metres;

b) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(iii):

a maximum depth of 20.68 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 16.8 metres;

c) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(vi):

a maximum floor area ratio of 53.58 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 45 percent;

as it related to a proposed two-storey single detached dwelling.

The Chair introduced the application.

The agent, Roy Chan, appeared on behalf of the application.

The Committee received three written pieces of correspondence.

Elizabeth Brown, 65 Lincoln Green Drive, the Committee of Adjustment representative for the Markham Village Sherwood Conservation Residents Association, spoke to the Committee.

Elizabeth spoke to the City's Official Plan policies with respect to infill development, and did not believe the proposal met the four tests of the Planning Act for Minor Variance. Elizabeth indicated that the increases to depth, floor area and height significantly contributed to the massing of the building, and did not believe the application should be approved.

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Mary Hampton Smith and Tony DiGiovanni, of 17 Abercorn Road, spoke to the Committee, and agreed with the comments provided by Elizabeth Brown.

Mary Hampton Smith spoke to the reconstruction of their home without the need for variances, and believed that the proposed home was too large, considering the positioning on the lot.

Mary spoke to the depth of the house contributing to the visual massing given its location in proximity to the nearby schoolyard.

Rosemary Haydon, representing the owner of 19 Abercorn Road, spoke to the Committee.

Rosemary indicated their concern for the overlook of the balcony located at the rear of the house, and the privacy issues that arise due to the location and number of windows that would overlook their property.

The agent, Roy Chan responded to the concerns raised by the residents.

Roy confirmed that the building depth was related to the covered front porch and rear covered verandah.

Roy spoke to the current development in the area, and noted that there had been other examples with greater massing approved recently in the area.

Roy spoke to the impacts of the development on the adjacent properties to the north at 19 and 17 Abercorn Road, and believed the design was reasonable and met the four tests for Minor Variance under the Planning Act.

Roy spoke to the arborist report submitted with the application and indicated that only trees on the subject property would be impacted by the development.

Member Gutfreund reiterated that the Committee does not make decisions based on precedent regarding previous Committee approvals.

Member Reingold spoke to the infill within the neighbourhood, and how the original houses are beginning to not fit in with the current neighbourhood characteristics.

Member Reingold appreciated the presentation and design of the proposed house, but believed the house to be too large, despite respecting the side yard setbacks. Member Reingold believed the building should be reduced, and privacy concerns of the neighbourhood addressed.

Member Sampson inquired about the size of the open to above areas within the house.

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The agent, Roy Chan, confirmed the area of the open to below areas to be approximately 54 square metres.

Member Sampson believed the open to below areas contributed to significantly to the massing of the building, and could not support the application.

Acting Chair Gutfreund indicated the floor area increase to be 19% above the by-law requirement, and did not believe it to be minor in nature. Acting Chair Gutfreund did appreciate the design efforts of the applicant and the choice to incorporate the second floor into the roof line.

Member Yan indicated they had no issue with the building height. There were concerns about the impact the covered porches would have on the adjacent properties as they related to the requested building depth. Member Yan suggested the applicant make reductions to the proposed plans to address neighbour concerns over the variances.

Member Reingold motioned for deferral.

Moved By: Jeamie Reingold Seconded By: Patrick Sampson

THAT Application No. A/038/23 be deferred sine die.

Resolution Carried

Adjournment

Moved by: Patrick Sampson Seconded by: Sally Yan

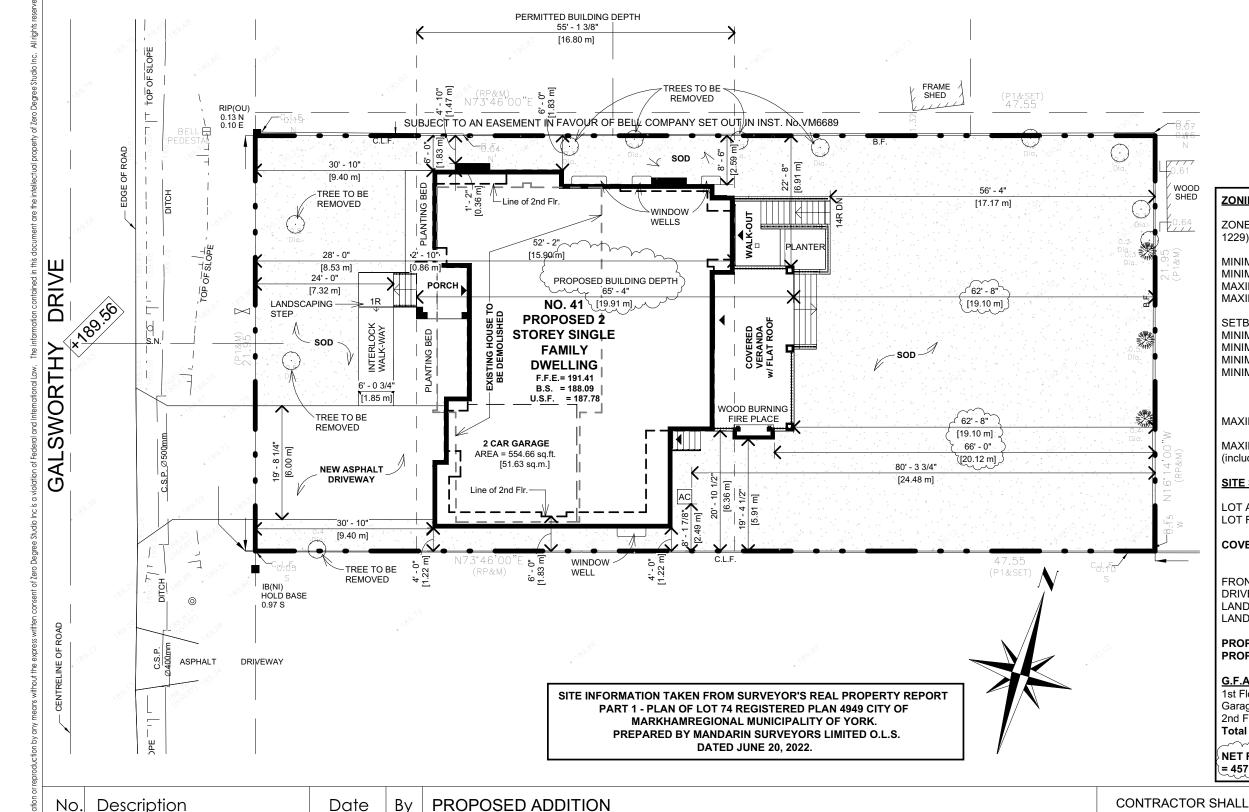
THAT the virtual meeting of the Committee of Adjustment was adjourned at 8:30 pm, and the next regular meeting would be held on May 03, 2023.

CARRIED

Acting Secretary-Treasurer Committee of Adjustment

D. Whitfield

Acting Chair Committee of Adjustment





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ZONE 1229)		R1 - Resi	dential (By-law
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SETBACKS MINIMUM FRONT YARD MINIMUM REAR YARD MINIMUM SIDE YARD - One Storey Po MINIMUM SIDE YARD - Two Storey Po		25 ft 25 ft 4 ft 6 ft	
MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT	9.8 m	[32.15 ft]	
MAXIMUM BUILDING DEPTH (includes porch and veranda)	16.8 m	[65.62 ft]	
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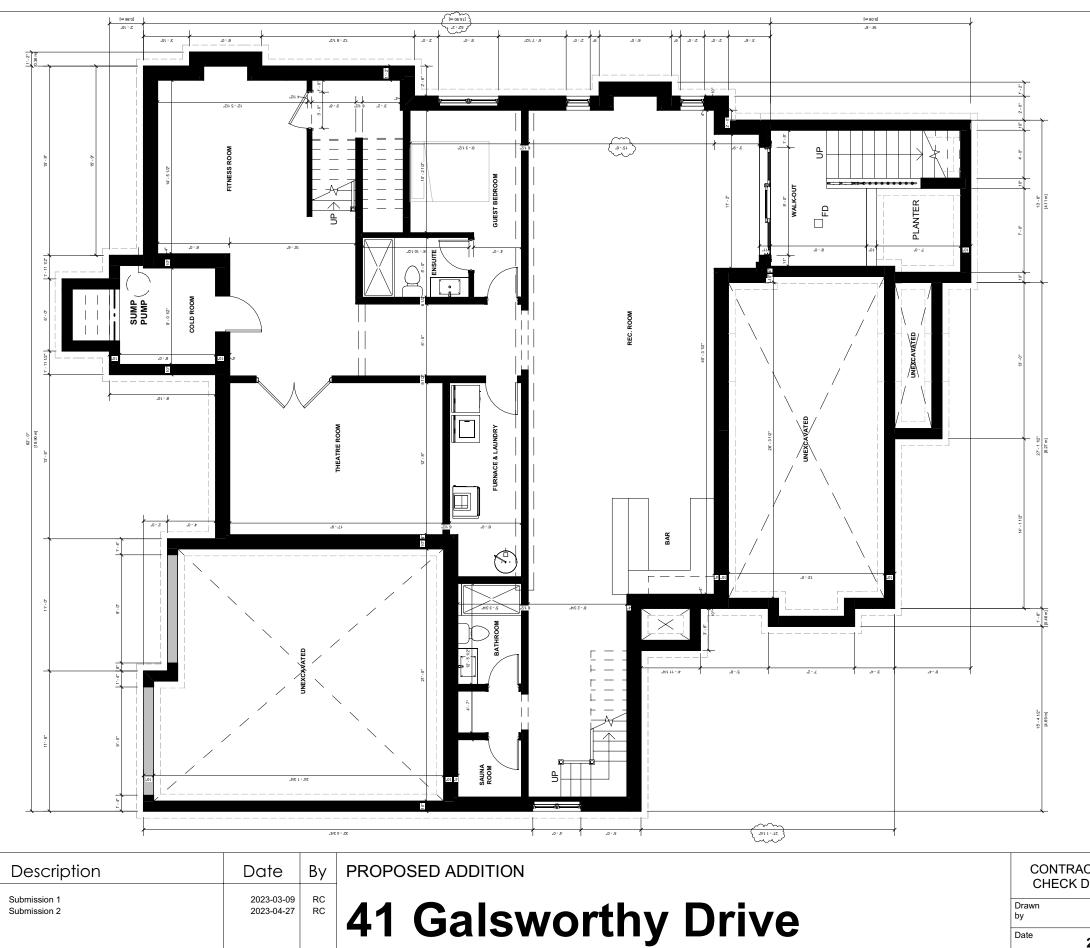
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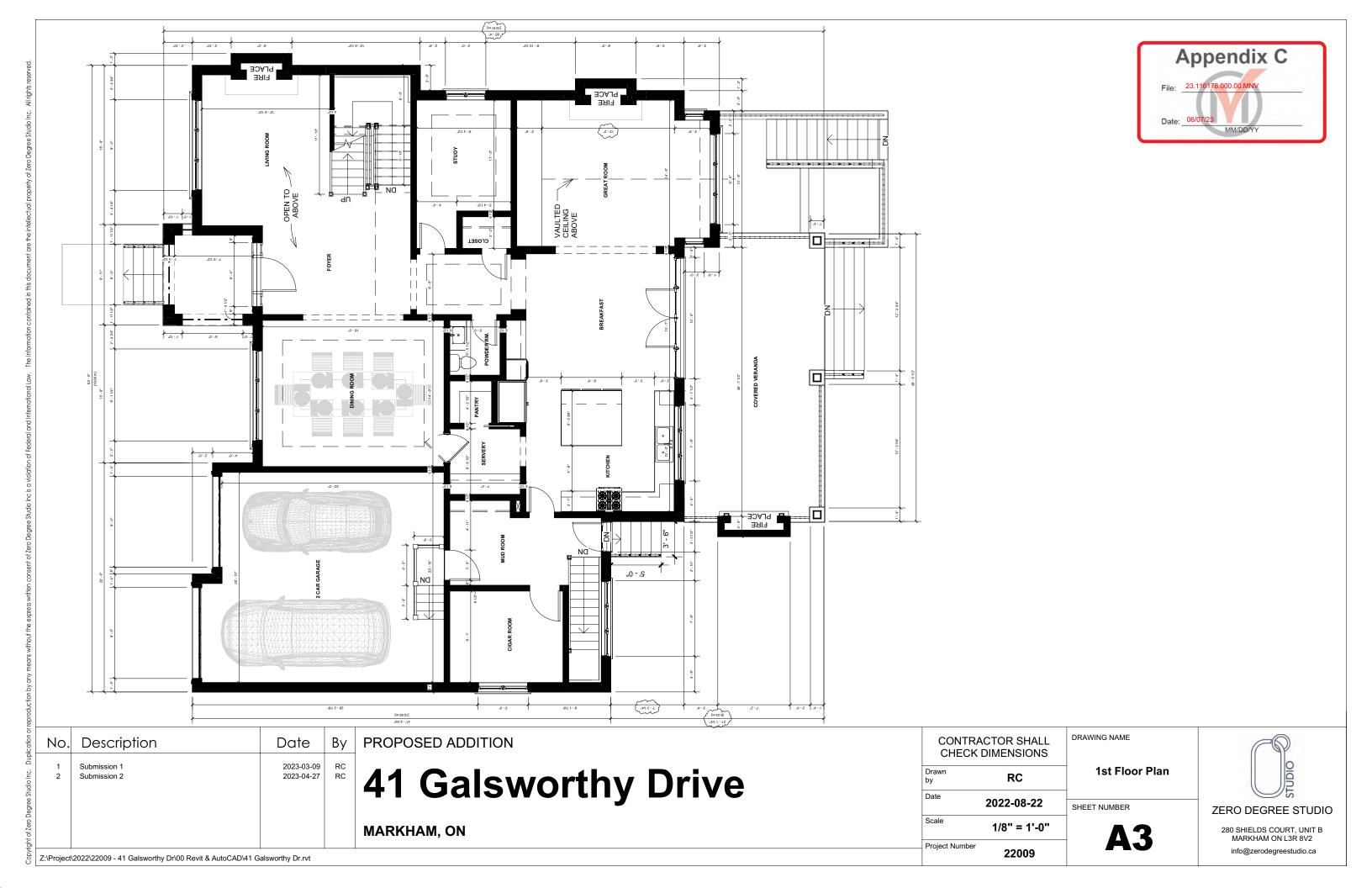


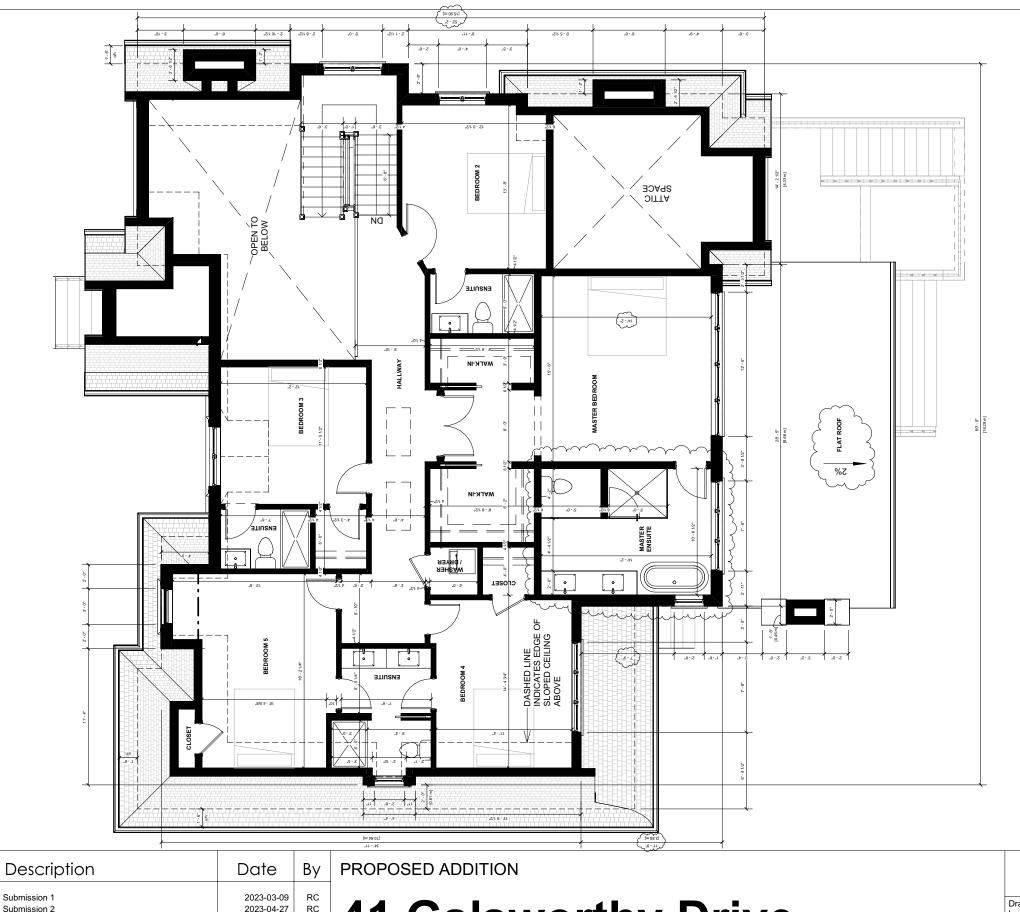
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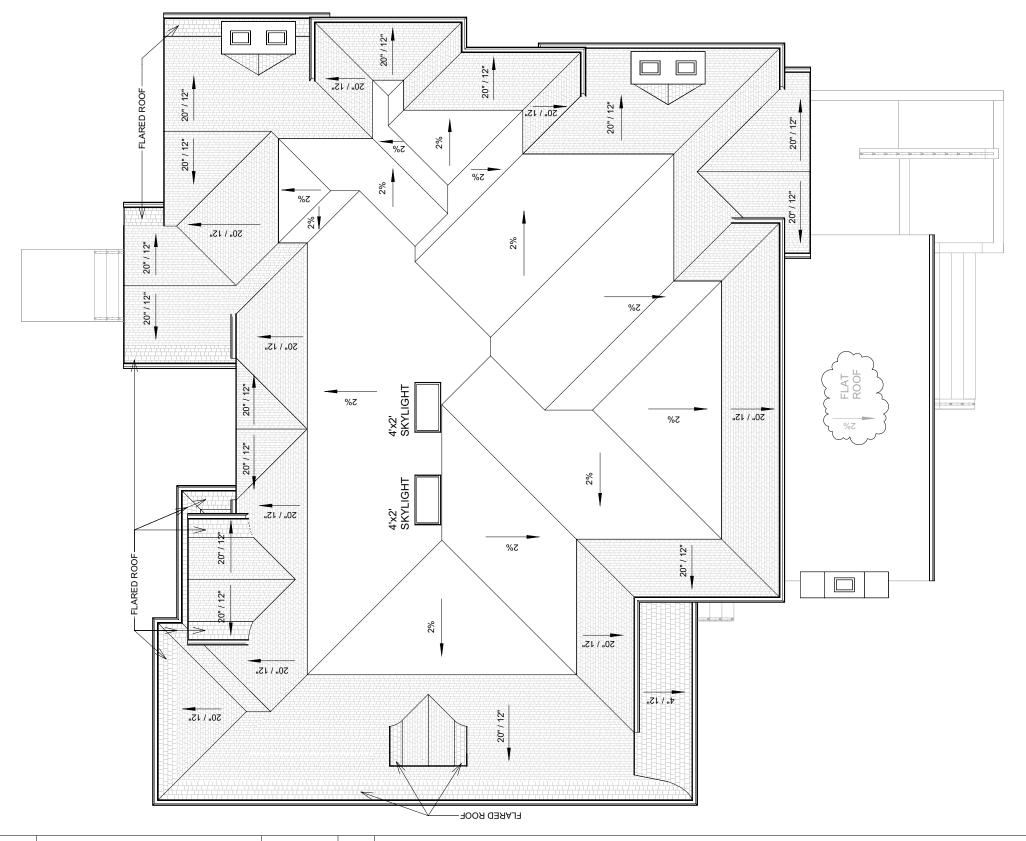
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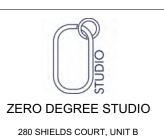
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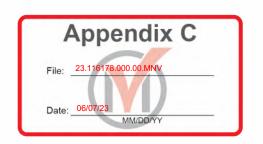
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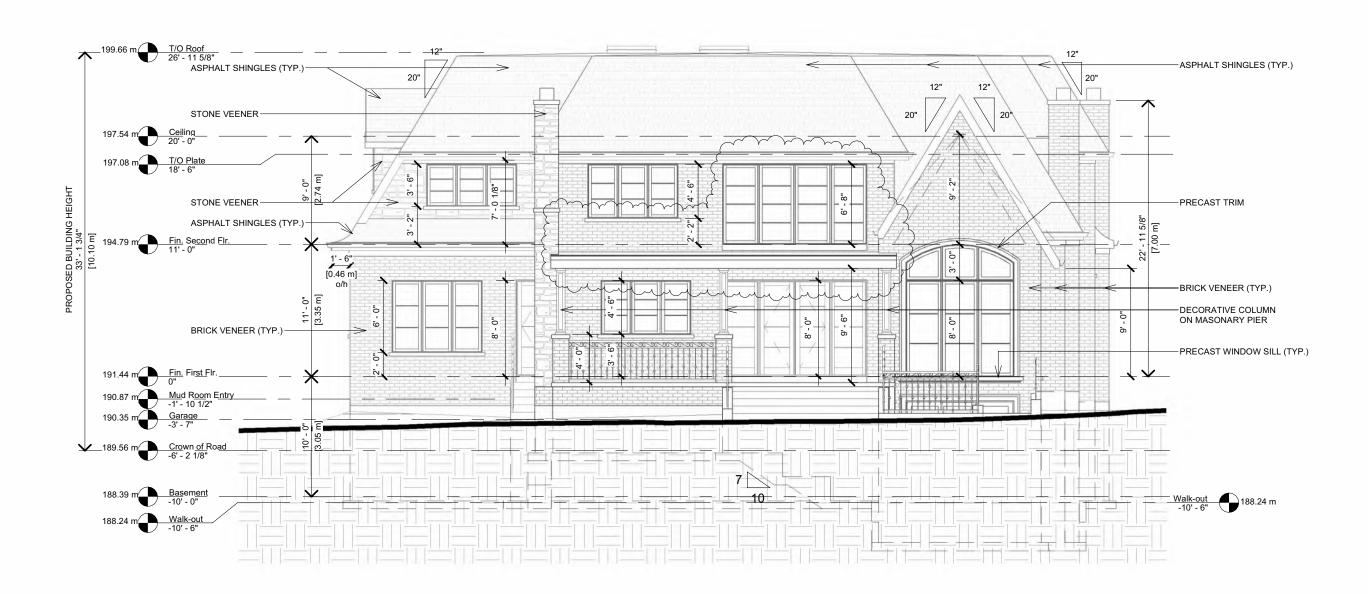
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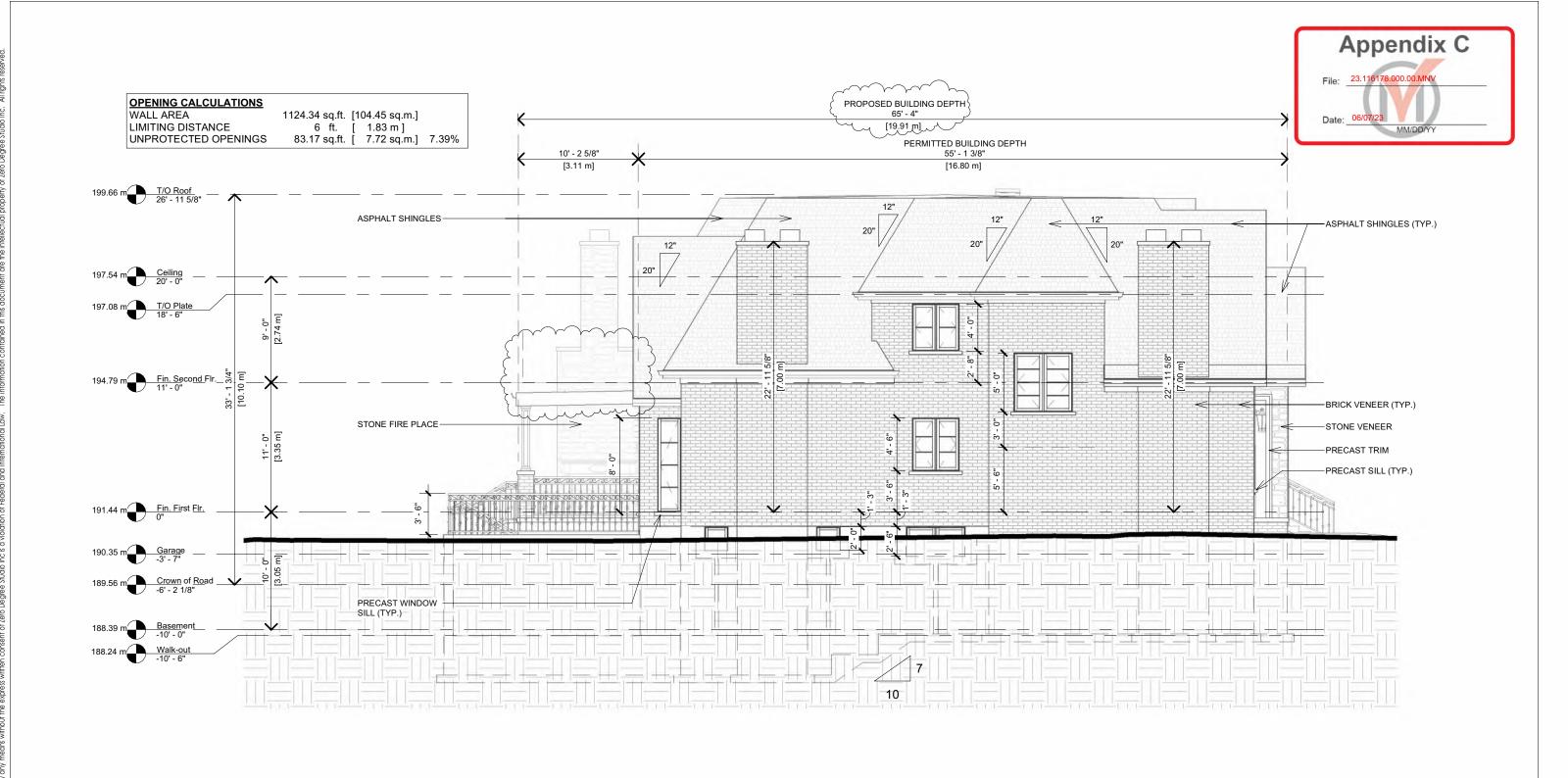
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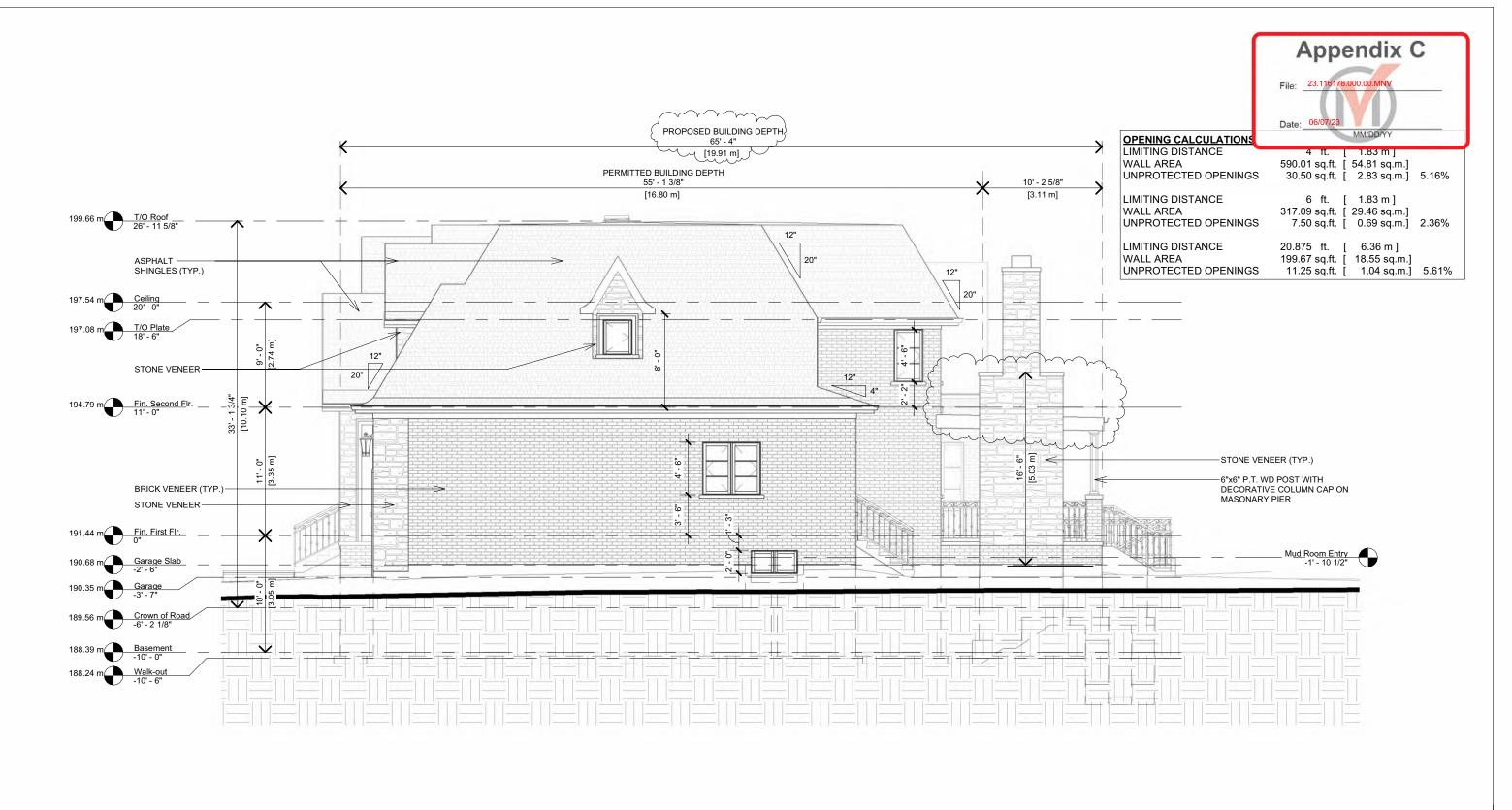
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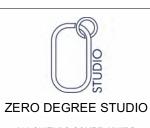
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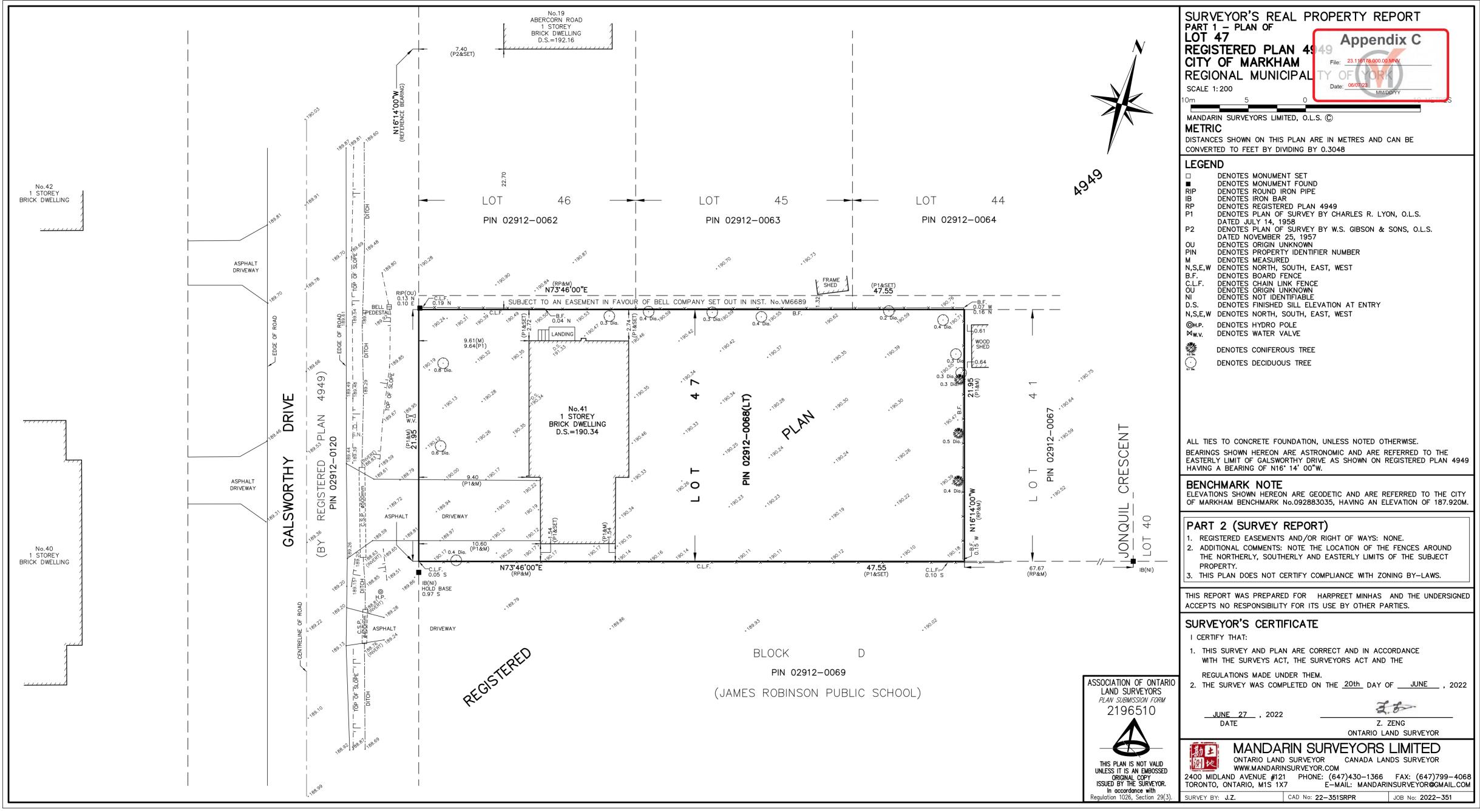
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APPENDIX "D" - A/038/23 CONDTIONS OF APPROVAL

CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/038/23

- 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 "C" to this Staff Report, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the Director of Planning and Urban Design or designate that this condition has been fulfilled to his or her satisfaction;
- 3. Submission of a Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan, prepared by a qualified arborist in accordance with the City's Streetscape Manual (2009), as amended, to be reviewed and approved by the City, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from Tree Preservation Technician or Manager of By-law Enforcement & Regulatory Services Division that this condition has been fulfilled to his/her satisfaction, and that any detailed Siting, Lot Grading and Servicing Plan required as a condition of approval reflects the Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan;
- 4. That the Applicant satisfies the requirements of Metrolinx, as indicated in their letter to the Secretary-Treasurer attached as Appendix "E" to this Staff Report, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receives written confirmation that this conditions has been fulfilled to the satisfaction of Metrolinx.

CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:

Mohammad

Hussnain Mohammad, Planner, Zoning and Special Projects

APPENDIX "E" – METROLINX COMMENTS: March 28, 2023

△ METROLINX

To: Shawna Houser, Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment

From: Farah Faroque, Intern

Adjacent Developments GO Expansion - Third Party Projects Review - Metrolinx

Date: March 28th, 2023

Re: A/038/23 - 41 Galsworthy Drive, Markham

Metrolinx is in receipt of the minor variance application for 41 Galsworthy Dr, Markham to facilitate the construction of a new two-storey single detached dwelling. Metrolinx's comments on the subject application are noted below:

- The subject property is located within 300 meters of Metrolinx's Uxbridge Subdivision which carries Metrolinx's Stouffville GO Train service.
- As per section 3.9 of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Railway Association of Canada's Guidelines for New Development in Proximity to Railway Operations, the Owner shall grant Metrolinx an environmental easement for operational emissions. The environmental easement provides clear notification to those who may acquire an interest in the subject property and reduces the potential for future land use conflicts. The environmental easement shall be registered on title of the subject property. A copy of the form of easement is included for the Owner's information. The applicant may contact Ryan.Courville@Metrolinx.com or Farah.Faroque@metrolinx.com with questions and to initiate the registration process. (It should be noted that the registration process can take up to 6 weeks).
- The Proponent shall provide confirmation to Metrolinx, that following warning clause will be inserted into all Development Agreements, Offers to Purchase, and Agreements of Purchase and Sale or Lease of each unit within 300 metres of the Railway Corridor:
 - Warning: The Applicant is advised that the subject land is located within Metrolinx's 300 metres railway corridor zone of influence and as such is advised that Metrolinx and its assigns and successors in interest has or have a right-of-way within 300 metres from the subject land. The Applicant is further advised that there may be alterations to or expansions of the rail or other transit facilities on such right-of-way in the future including the possibility that Metrolinx or any railway entering into an agreement with Metrolinx to use the right-of-way or their assigns or successors as aforesaid may expand or alter their operations, which expansion or alteration may affect the environment of the occupants in the vicinity, notwithstanding the inclusion of any noise and vibration attenuating measures in the design of the development and individual lots, blocks or units.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards, Farah Faroque Intern, Third Party Projects Review Metrolinx 20 Bay Street Suite 600, Toronto



Form of Easement

WHEREAS the Transferor is the owner of those lands legally described in the Properties section of the Transfer Easement to which this Schedule is attached (the "Easement Lands");

IN CONSIDERATION OF the sum of TWO DOLLARS (\$2.00) and such other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the Transferor, the Transferor transfers to the Transferee, and its successors and assigns, a permanent and perpetual non-exclusive easement or right and interest in the nature of a permanent and perpetual non-exclusive easement over, under, along and upon the whole of the Easement Lands and every part thereof for the purposes of discharging, emitting, releasing or venting thereon or otherwise affecting the Easement Lands at any time during the day or night with noise, vibration and other sounds and emissions of every nature and kind whatsoever, including fumes, odours, dust, smoke, gaseous and particulate matter, electromagnetic interference and stray current but excluding spills, arising from or out of, or in connection with, any and all present and future railway or other transit facilities and operations upon the lands of the Transferee and including, without limitation, all such facilities and operations presently existing and all future renovations, additions, expansions and other changes to such facilities and all future expansions, extensions, increases, enlargement and other changes to such operations (herein collectively called the "Operational Emissions").

THIS Easement and all rights and obligations arising from same shall extend to, be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees, servants, tenants, sub-tenants, customers, licensees and other operators, occupants and invitees and each of its or their respective heirs, executors, legal personal representatives, successors and assigns. The covenants and obligations of each party hereto, if more than one person, shall be joint and several.

Easement in gross.





June 28, 2023 7:00 pm

CITY OF MARKHAM Virtual Meeting on Zoom

COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

Minutes

The 11th, regular meeting of the Committee of Adjustment for the year 2023 was held at the time and virtual space above with the following people present:

	Arrival Time
Gregory Knight Chair	7:00 pm
Tom Gutfreund	7:00 pm
Arun Prasad	7:20 pm
Kelvin Kwok	7:32 pm
Jeamie Reingold	7:00 pm
Sally Yan	7:00 pm
Patrick Sampson	7:00 pm

Shawna Houser, Secretary-Treasurer Greg Whitfield, Supervisor, Committee of Adjustment

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None

Minutes: May 31, 2023

THAT the minutes of Meeting No. 10, of the City of Markham Committee of Adjustment, held May 31, 2023 respectively, be:

a) Approved on June 28, 2023.

Moved By: Patrick Sampson Seconded By: Tom Gutfreund

Carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A/088/23

Owner Name: Times Property Management Inc. (Andrew Fong)

Agent Name: Malone Given Parsons Ltd. (Rohan Sovig)

15 Water Walk Drive, Markham

PLAN 65M4395 BLK 2

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 2004-196, as amended, to permit:

a) Amending By-law 2010-184, Section 6.11.3 a):

this application seeks the same relief as application No. A/188/17 which was approved with conditions by the Committee of Adjustment on March 14, 2018.

The applicant was re-applying to remove the condition of the minor variance approval requiring 12 additional surface visitor parking spaces to be provided on the adjacent property to the west.

The Chair introduced the application.

The agent Lincoln Lo, appeared on behalf of the application.

Member Sampson noted the matter was technical and agreed with the recommendations in the staff report and motioned for approval with conditions.

Moved By: Patrick Sampson Seconded By: Tom Gutfreund

The Committee unanimously approved the application.

THAT Application No. A/088/23 be approved subject to conditions contained in the staff report.

Resolution Carried

2. A/087/23

Owner Name: Gurcharn Gahir Agent Name: Gurcharn Gahir 37 German Mills Road, Thornhill

PLAN M1411 PT LOT 103 PT LOT 102 RS66R6001 PART 103

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 2571, as amended, to permit:

a) By-law 2571, Table B:

a front yard setback of 25 feet and 10 inches to the dwelling, whereas the By-law requires a minimum front yard setback of 27 feet to the dwelling.

as it related to an existing condition for a second-floor addition above the garage.

The Chair introduced the application.

The owner, Gurcharn Gahir, appeared on behalf of the application and provided a history of the construction and the application.

Member Gutfreund agreed with the staff report and motioned for approval with conditions.

Member Sampson requested clarification of the drawings and confirmation that the application had been verified through a zoning review.

Greg Whitfield affirmed that the variance was the only outstanding request related to the permit.

Moved By: Tom Gutfreund Seconded By: Jeamie Reingold

The Committee unanimously approved the application.

THAT Application No. A/087/23 be approved subject to conditions contained in the staff report.

Resolution Carried

3. A/057/23

Owner Name: Beedie ON (Allstate Parkway) Limited Partnership

(Kristina Preece)

Agent Name: MHBC Planning Limited (Mr. David McKay)

Allstate Parkway, Markham PL 65M2695 LOTS 1 AND 2

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 165-80, as amended, to permit:

a) By-law 165-80, Section 4.7.1(b):

a minimum landscape strip of 4.0 m along the front of the property, whereas the By-law requires a minimum of 6.0 m;

b) By-law 28-97, Section 3, Table B - Industrial Uses:

164 parking spaces, whereas the By-law requires 338 parking spaces;

as it related to proposed industrial buildings. This application was related to a Site Plan Control Application (SPC 22 259790) which was being reviewed concurrently.

The Chair introduced the application.

The agent, David McKay, appeared on behalf of the application and agreed with the staff report.

Member Reingold supported the application noting the technical nature of the application, the positive staff report and that the property was concurrently undergoing a comprehensive review through site plan control.

Member Yan also supported the application, having considered the recommendations in the staff report, the parking justification study, and the proximity to public transit.

Member Sampson asked if the tenants had been established and how parking needs had been determined without knowing who the tenants would be.

The Chair asked if the units would be condominiums or leased.

Kristina Preece, Beattie ON, indicated that the project had yet to be marketed. The proposed units would be condominiums with parking allocated through the common elements.

The Chair indicated that the condo board would also watch parking uses, and potential owners should only purchase if parking needs were met.

Kristina Peerce indicated that a parking allocation plan was created prior to sales as part of the marketing package.

David McKay further detailed that no retail uses would be associated with the project.

The Chair indicated that the condo board would be responsible for parking uses after construction, and any future buyers would be aware of parking allocations. The parking allocation was established in the bylaw over twenty years ago, and it would be updated in the new comprehensive bylaw to align with current parking demands.

Member Gutfreund motioned for approval with conditions.

Moved By: Tom Gutfreund Seconded By: Sally Yan

The Committee unanimously approved the application.

THAT Application No. A/057/23 be approved subject to conditions contained in the staff report.

Resolution Carried

Applications B/012/19 and A/079/23 were heard concurrently and the record of the discussion can be found under B/012/19.

4. B/012/19

Owner Name: NHD Properties Limited
Agent Name: Sorbara Group (Herthana Siva)
115 Idema Road, Markham
CON 3 PT LTS 1-2 65R9064 PTS 1-7 65R5415 PTS 1-2 65R9988 PT 1
65R5416 PT 1 41-87 STEELCASE RD

The applicant was requesting provisional consent to:

- a) sever and convey a parcel of land with an approximate lot frontage of 60.96 m and an approximate lot area of 0.73 ha (Part 9 and 10);
- **b)** retain a parcel of land with an approximate lot frontage of 137.57 m and an approximate lot area of 7.632 ha (Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8);
- establish an easement over Part 8, in favour of Parts 9 and 10 for the purpose of access;
- **d)** establish an easement over Parts 6 and 8, in favour of Parts 9 and 10 for the purpose of utility;
- e) establish easements over Part 9, in favour of Parts 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 for the purpose of access and utility;
- **f)** establish easements over Parts 9 and 10, in favour of Parts 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 for the purpose of maintenance and servicing;
- **g)** establish easements over Parts 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 in favour of Parts 9 and 10 for the purpose of maintenance and servicing.

The purpose of this application was to sever and create two new industrial lots and to create right-of-way easements for the purpose of repair, maintenance and other associated services for the water line servicing, and storm drainage from Idema Road and the subject lands. This application was related to minor variance application(s) A/074/19.

The Chair introduced the application.

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The agent, Herthana Siva, appeared on behalf of the application. Herthana presented the application and indicated that there were no proposed changes to site conditions, construction or use.

The Committee received three written pieces of correspondence.

Robert Riopelle of Smith and Long spoke to the Committee and provided a history of their company's tenancy and path to property ownership.

Member Gutfreund agreed with the staff report noting the requirements for consent and minor variances had been met and recommended approval.

Member Yan supported the application noting the variances related to existing conditions, and asked the agent to confirm that the current parking arrangements would be maintained.

Member Kwok requested the agent clarify how variance (f) the parking agreement would be achieved.

Herthana Siva indicated that the encroachment agreement was currently being undertaken, and a condition of the variance was to provide the agreement.

Greg Whitfield confirmed that if the agreement was not finalized, the applicant must return with an alternate variance request to address reduced parking standards.

Member Gutfreund motioned for approval with conditions.

Moved By: Tom Gutfreund Seconded By: Jeamie Reingold

The Committee unanimously approved the application.

THAT Application No. **B/012/19** be **approved** subject to conditions contained in the staff report.

Resolution Carried

5. A/074/19

Owner Name: NHD Properties Limited

Agent Name: Sorbara Group (Herthana Siva)

115 Idema Road, Markham

CON 3 PT LTS 1-2 65R9064 PTS 1-7 65R5415 PTS 1-2 65R9988 PT 1

65R5416 PT 1 41-87 STEELCASE RD

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 108-81, as amended, to permit:

a) **Section 6.1**:

a minimum lot area of 0.73 ha, whereas the By-law requires a minimum lot area of 0.8 ha when the parcel of land is abutting a provincial highway;

b) <u>Section 4.7.1 (b):</u>

an existing landscape strip of 0.0 m, whereas the By-law requires a minimum landscape strip of 6.0 m immediately abutting the street line (Idema Road);

c) Section 4.7.1 (a):

an existing landscape strip of approximately 1.8 m, whereas the By-law requires a minimum landscape strip of 9.0 m immediately abutting a provincial highway;

d) Section 4.5.2:

a minimum loading space height clearance of 3.05 m, whereas the By-law requires a loading space minimum height clearance of 4.2 m in height;

e) Parking By-law 28-97, Section 6.1.2 (a):

a required parking space size length of 5.3 m for 30 parking spaces, whereas the By-law requires each parking space to have a minimum length of 5.8 m;

f) Parking By-law 28-97, Section 3.0 Table B: Non-Residential Uses:

28 parking spaces to encroach into the neighbouring lot (85 Idema Road), whereas the By-law requires that no person shall use any land, building or structure in any zone for any purpose permitted in this By-law, unless all parking are provided on the same lot;

g) Parking By-law 28-87, Sections 5.1 & 6.1.2:

one (1) accessible parking space with a minimum size of 2.8 m x 5.3 m, without a 1.5 m wide access aisle adjacent to the parking space on site, whereas the Bylaw requires three (3) accessible parking spaces being 5 percent of the total required parking spaces having a minimum size of 2.6 m x 5.8 m, with a 1.5 m wide access aisle adjacent to the parking space on site; and,

h) Parking By-law 28-97, Section 3.0 Table B:

a minimum of 51 parking spaces, whereas the By-law requires a minimum of 52 parking spaces;

as it related to an existing industrial building. This file was also related to consent application B/012/19.

Member Yan motioned for approval with conditions.

Moved By: Sally Yan

Seconded By: Kelvin Kwok

The Committee unanimously approved the application.

THAT Application No. A/074/19 be approved subject to conditions contained in the staff report.

Resolution Carried

PREVIOUS BUSINESS

6. A/030/23

Owner Name: Jinchong Cao

Agent Name: LHW Engineering (Lihang Wang)

78 Southdale Drive, Markham

PLAN 7326 LOT 28

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 1229, as amended, to permit:

a) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(ii):

a depth of 17.53 m, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 16.8 m; and

b) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2 (vi):

a maximum floor area ratio of 50.11 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 45 percent;

as it related to a proposed second storey addition and porch.

The Chair introduced the application.

The agent, Tony of LHW Engineering, appeared on behalf of the application and presented the revised proposal.

The Committee received three written pieces of correspondence.

Member Gutfreund asked for clarification regarding the front entrance elevation and the railing over the garage. Member Gutfreund indicated that the changes had created a greater sense of massing at the front of the house.

The agent shared an alternate plan to soften the appearance at the streetscape by changing the roof line and stated that the roof could be changed to a pitched roof and the door sill lowered.

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The Chair spoke to the revision, indicating that the reduced numbers had yet to address the previous concerns and had further emphasized the massing of the building at the streetscape.

Member Reingold agreed with the Chair, indicating that the revised plans had not addressed the concerns and accentuated the massing.

The Chair recommended the additional massing be moved to the rear of the house.

Member Yan remained concerned regarding the requested floor area ratio and indicated that the application needed a floor area ratio lower than 50 percent, as advised at the previous meeting. Member Yan indicated that the design elements of the first proposal were preferable to the current proposal but the original proposal needed to be reduced.

Member Gutfreund recommended a deferral to allow the applicant to return with revisions incorporating the changes as discussed.

Tony agreed to the deferral.

Member Gutfreund motioned for deferral.

Moved By: Tom Gutfreund Seconded By: Jeamie Reingold

THAT Application No. A/030/23 be deferred sine die.

Resolution Carried

7. A/038/23

Owner Name: 1000183958 Ontario Inc. (Grumeet Minhas)

Agent Name: Zero Degree Studio Inc. (Roy Chan)

41 Galsworthy Drive, Markham

PLAN 4949 LOT 47

The applicant was requesting relief from the requirements of By-law 1229, as amended, to permit:

a) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(i):

a maximum building height of 10.1 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum building height of 9.8 metres;

b) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(iii):

a maximum depth of 19.91 metres, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 16.80 metres;

c) By-law 99-90, Section 1.2(vi):

a maximum floor area ratio of 51.33 percent, whereas the By-law permits a maximum of 45 percent.

as it related to a proposed two-storey single detached dwelling.

The Chair introduced the application.

The agent, Roy Chan, appeared on behalf of the application and requested the Committee review requests as a new submission.

The Committee received two written pieces of correspondence.

Member Reingold indicated that the design was appropriate for the neighbourhood and had included many desirable architectural elements. However, Member Reingold expressed that the house was still very large and asked the agent for a further reduction in size.

Roy Chan indicated that some areas of the house that were included in the floor area ratio were inaccessible spaces in the attic.

Member Yan recognized that the floor area ratio included porches, attic space and the vaulted ceiling (not open to below), which were not accessible. Member Yan indicated that the design was sensible for the street, and the proposal had been scaled down with the massing blended into the building.

Member Gutfreund felt the design fit the community. However, the house was still very large, and the requested variances were over those normally approved by the Committee. Member Gutfreund expressed concern that approving the variances would generate future comments and requests for similar variances within the neighbourhood based on precedence.

Member Sampson pointed out that the proposal was a large house on a large lot with a greater floor area than presented when the excluded open-to-below areas were added to the calculation. Member Sampson noted the positioning of the lot adjacent to the school had a moderating effect on the appearance of the home. The member expressed that the design was pleasant and suitable for the area.

Member Gutfreund concurred with Member Sampson that the positioning of the home provided some balance to the scale. Member Gutfreund challenged the indication of the agent that the homeowner had scaled back the proposal as far as could be achieved while still meeting the family's needs, noting that without the option of a minor variance, the home would have to be scaled back even further to comply with the standards. The design was pleasing, but Member Gutfreund remained concerned that if granted, it would be raised by future applicants as precedent and the home needed to align with the neighbourhood's character.

The Chair indicated that the Committee had worked hard to maintain a reasonable standard within the City concerning massing and cumulative impacts. The Committee had strived to achieve an equitable threshold for requested increases, ensuring that applications remained below the 50 percent floor area ratio in this area, and by altering that position, the Committee would be setting a precedent. The home was not in character with the smaller homes of the street and surrounding area. The design could be altered to lower the massing while achieving the desired spaces. The requests were not minor, and the cumulative impacts of the massing were not desirable.

Member Gutfreund concurred with the Chair that approval of the application would be seen as setting a precedent that could impinge on this and future Committees' decisions.

The Chair noted the favourable staff report; however, they also referred to public input from the Community Association that did not support the application, which had been received as a written submission and needed to be considered in the decision-making process.

Member Gutfreund noted that the Committee members all agreed they liked the design. However, the proposed floor area ratio request was not minor, and the member disagreed with the assessment of the staff report. Member Gutfreund indicated that the design was appropriate but should be reduced to a floor area ratio of 50 percent or less and suggested the applicant consider a deferral to modify the plans.

The Chair confirmed that the agent agreed to a deferral.

The Chair expressed that the property's location was highly visible and the massing was of concern and that the floor area ratio was higher than would normally be considered; the size was outside of the area's character and would have impacts on the surrounding neighbourhood.

Member Gutfreund motioned for deferral.

Moved By: Tom Gutfreund Seconded By: Arun Prasad

THAT Application No. A/038/23 be deferred sine die.

Resolution Carried

Adjournment

Moved by: Arun Prasad

Seconded by: Patrick Sampson

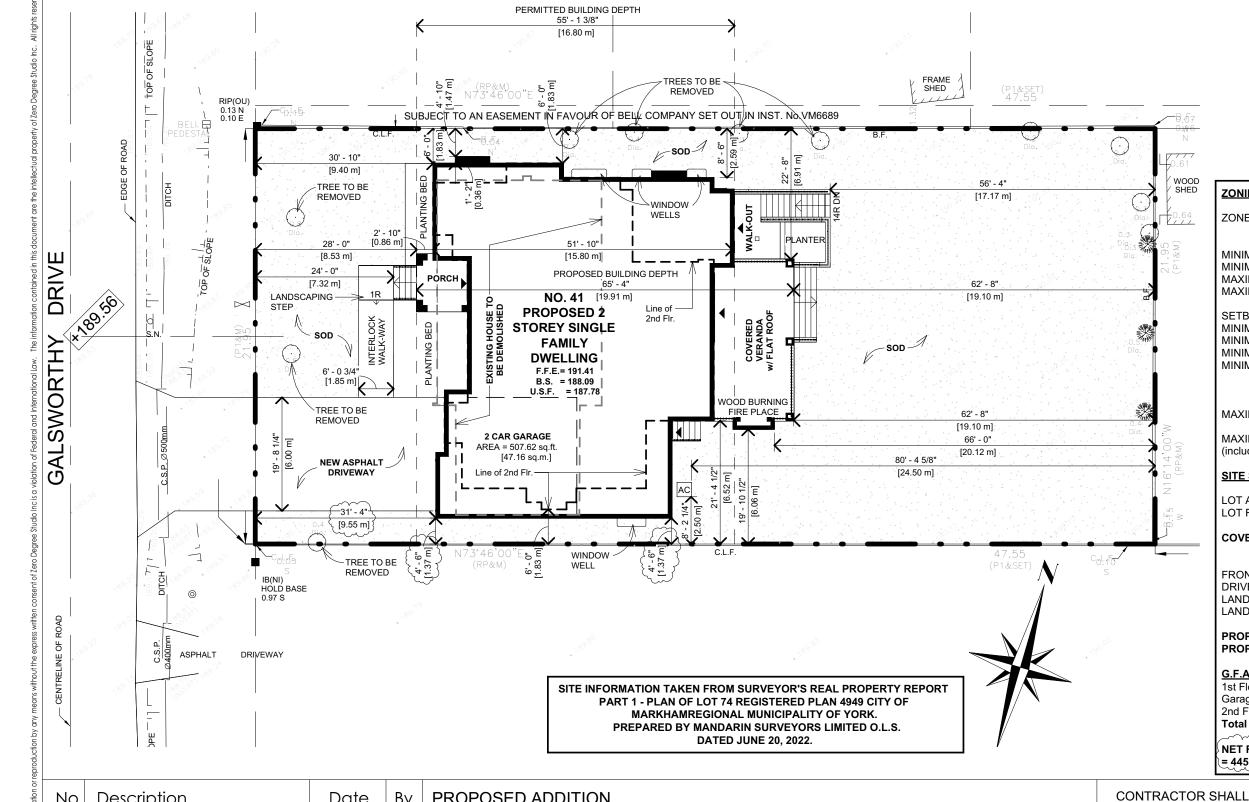
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THAT the virtual meeting of the Committee of Adjustment was adjourned at 8:39 pm, and the next regular meeting would be held on July 12, 2023.

CARRIED

original signed July 12, 2023 Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment _original signed July 12, 2023____ Chair

APPENDIX "B" - Plans





ZONING STANDARDS				
ZONE		R1 - Resi (By-law 1		
MINIMUM LOT AREA MINIMUM LOT FRONTAGE MAXIMUM COVERAGE MAXIMUM NET FLOOR AREA RATIO		6,600 sq. 60 ft 35 % 45 %	ft.	
SETBACKS MINIMUM FRONT YARD MINIMUM REAR YARD MINIMUM SIDE YARD - One Storey Po MINIMUM SIDE YARD - Two Storey Po		25 ft 25 ft 4 ft 6 ft		
MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT	9.8 m	[32.15 ft]		
MAXIMUM BUILDING DEPTH (includes porch and veranda)	16.8 m	[65.62 ft]		
SITE STATISTICS				
LOT AREA LOT FRONTAGE		3 sq.m. 5 m	[11,232.4 [72.01 ft]	9 sq.ft.]
COVERAGE	28.63 % 298.76 s	sq.m.	[3,215.84	sq.ft.]
FRONT YARD AREA DRIVEWAY AREA (26.35%) LANDSCAPED SOFT AREA (63.43%) LANDSCAPED HARD AREA (10.21%)	58.20 s 140.10 s	sq.m. sq.m. sq.m. sq.m.	[2,377.30 [626.47 [1,507.91 [242.92	sq.ft.] sq.ft.]
PROPOSED HEIGHT PROPOSED DEPTH	10.10m 19.91m		[33.14 ft] [65.32 ft]	
G.F.A. 1st Floor Area Garage Area 2nd Floor Area Total Area	203.60 s 47.16 s 163.21 s 413.97 s	sq.m.	[2,191.54 [507.62 [1,756.75 [4,455.91	sq.ft.]

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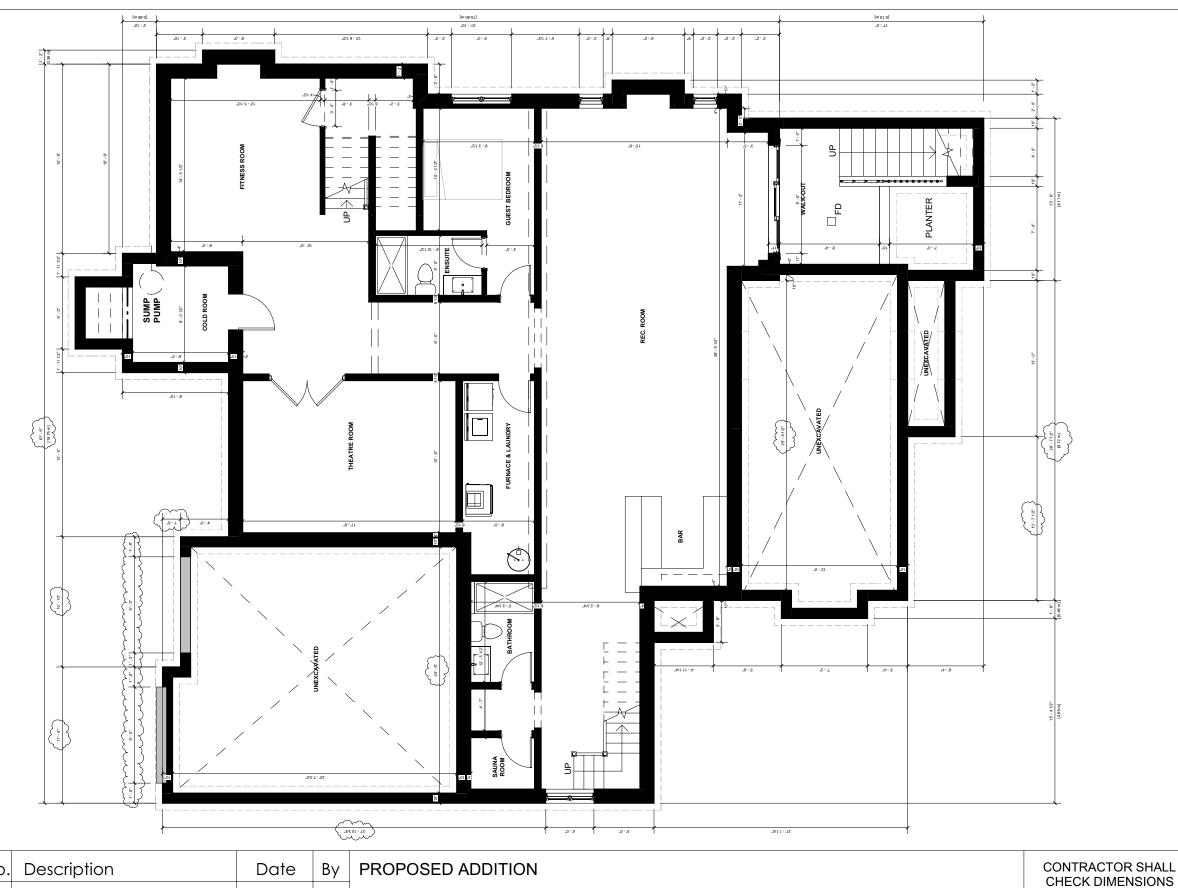
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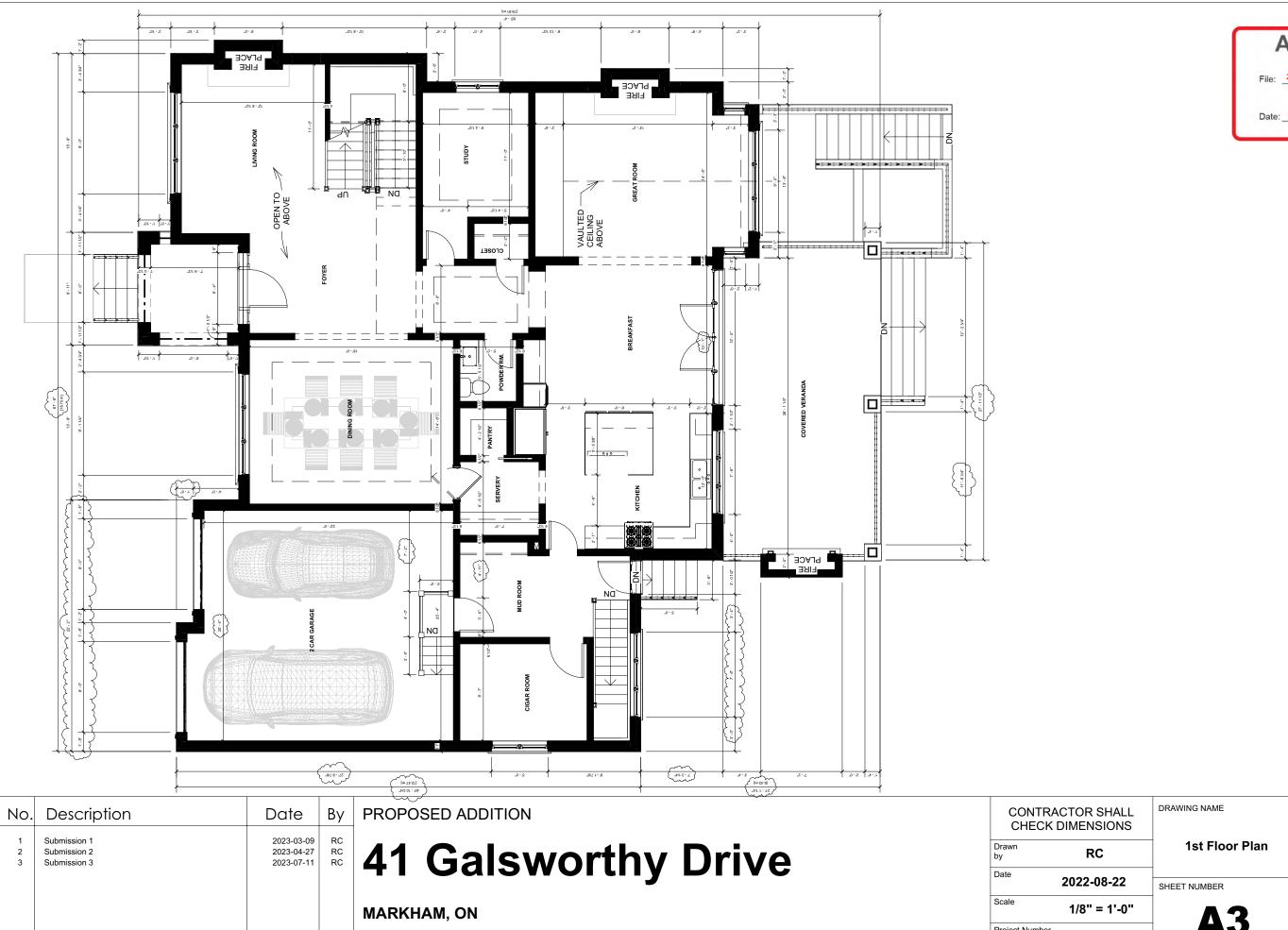
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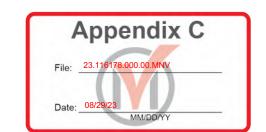
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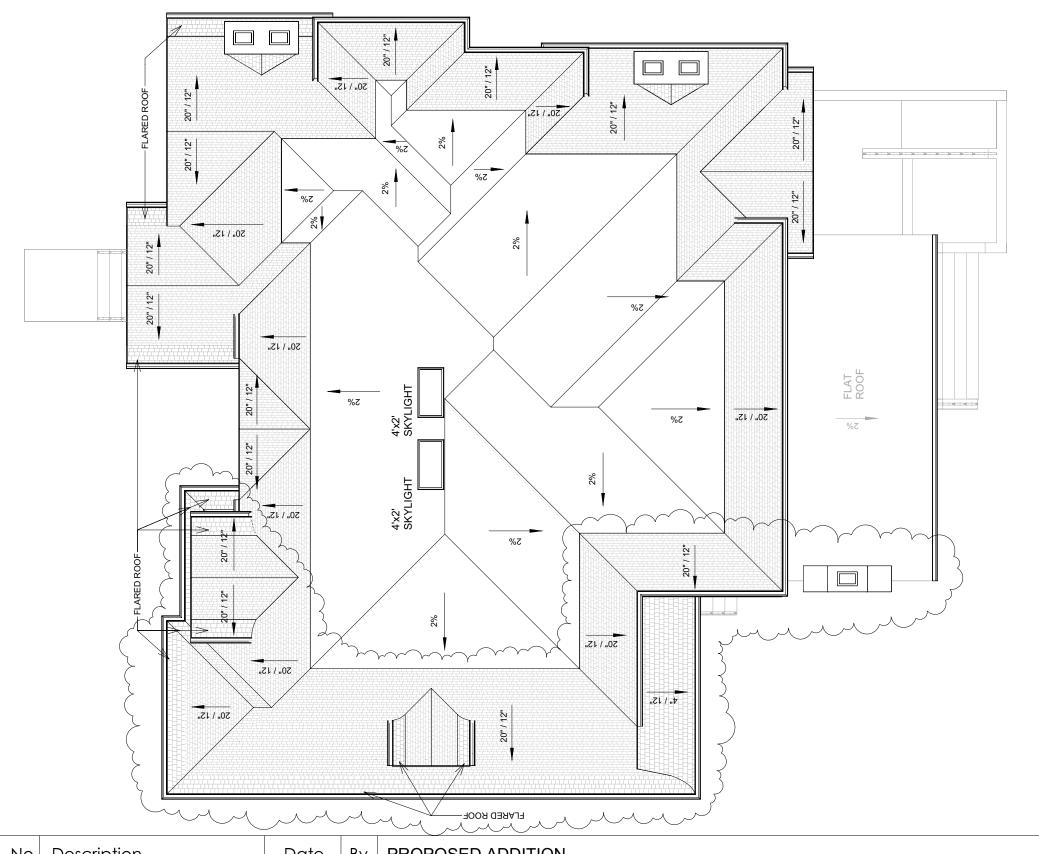
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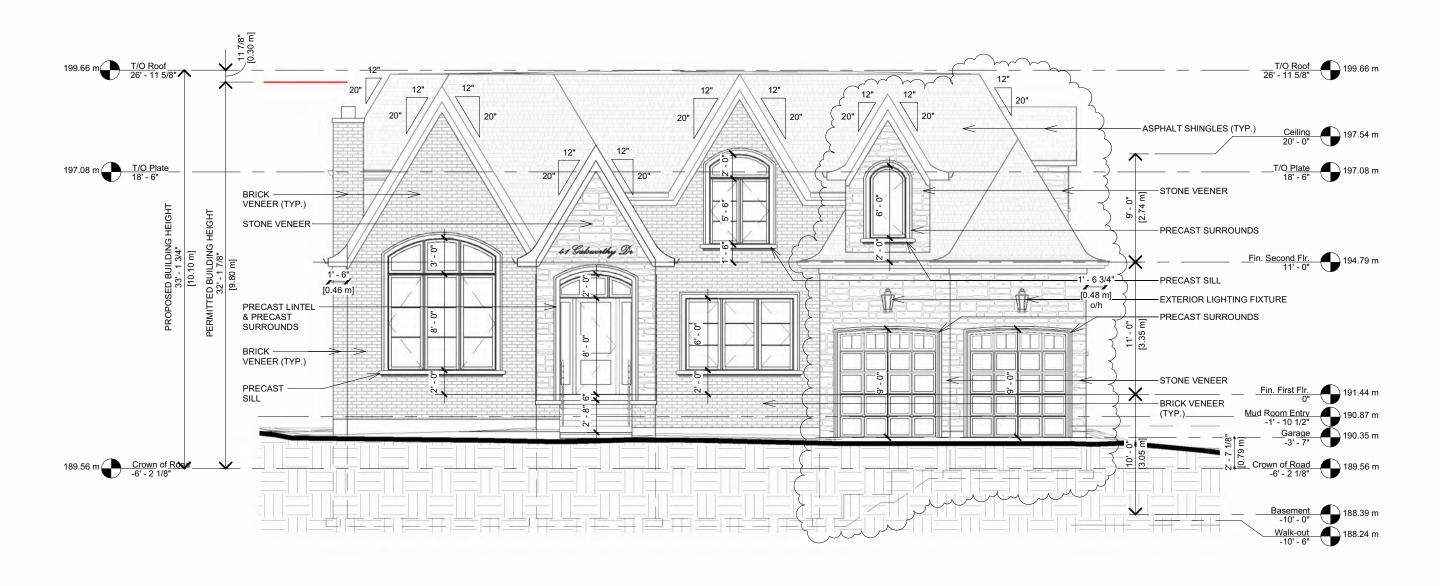
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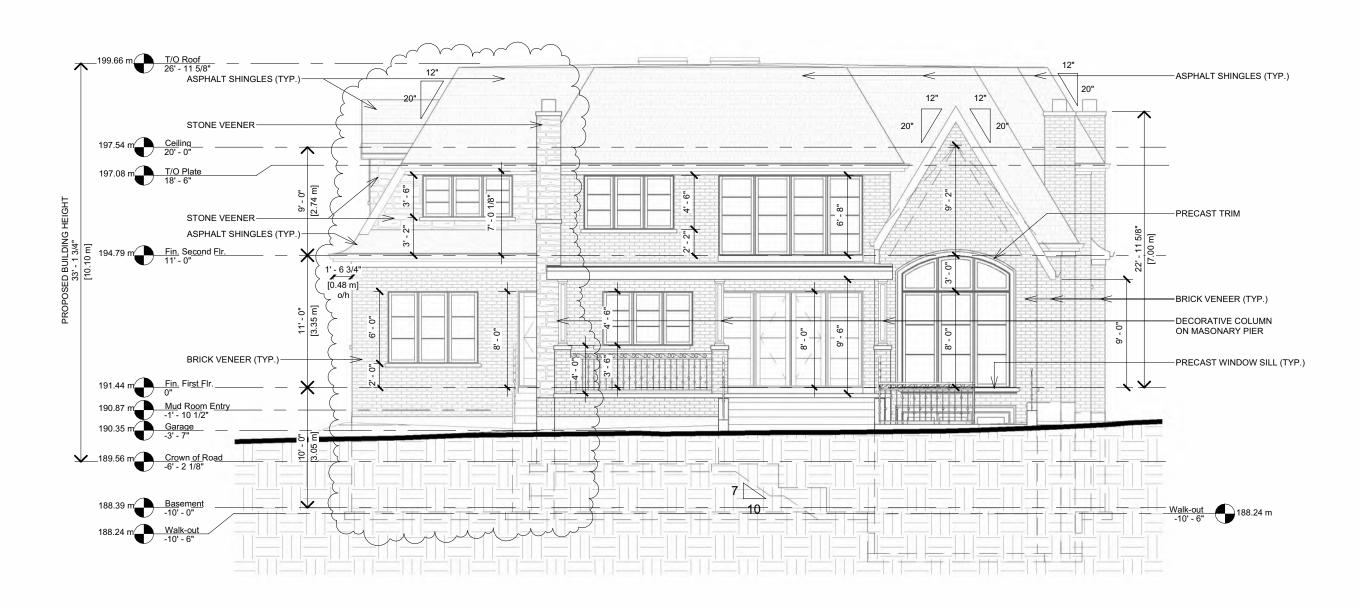
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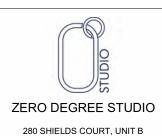


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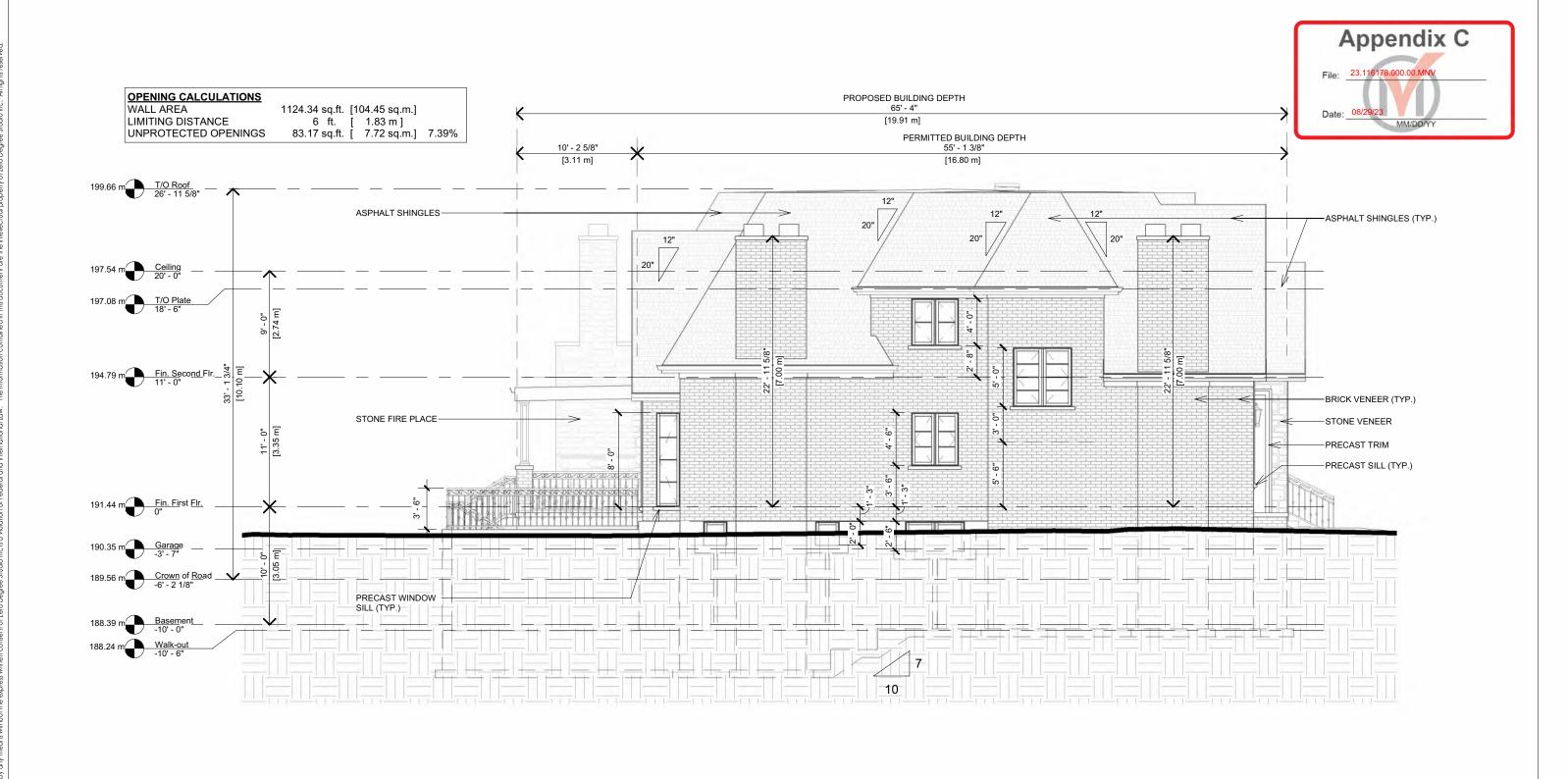
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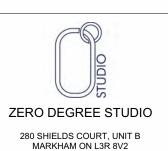
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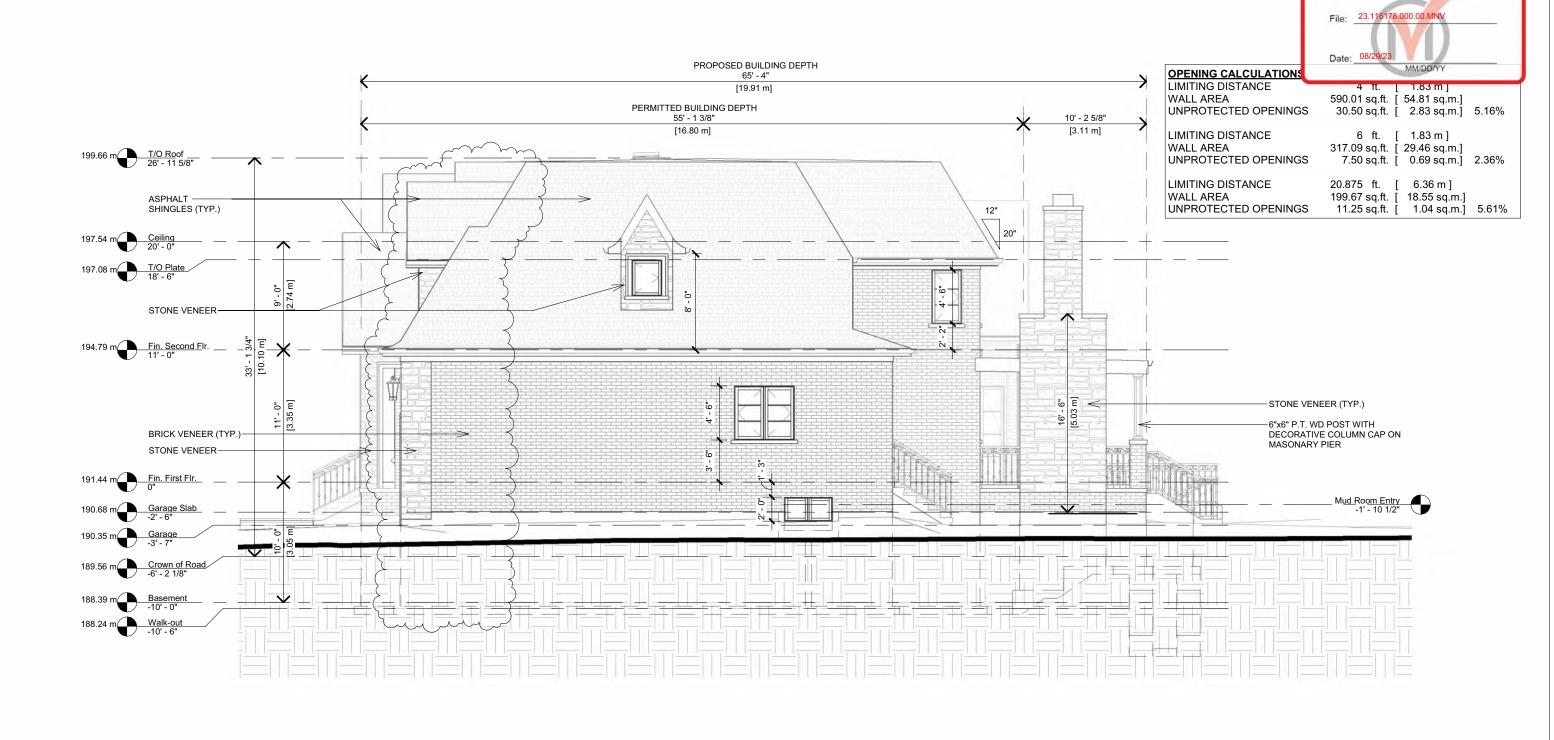
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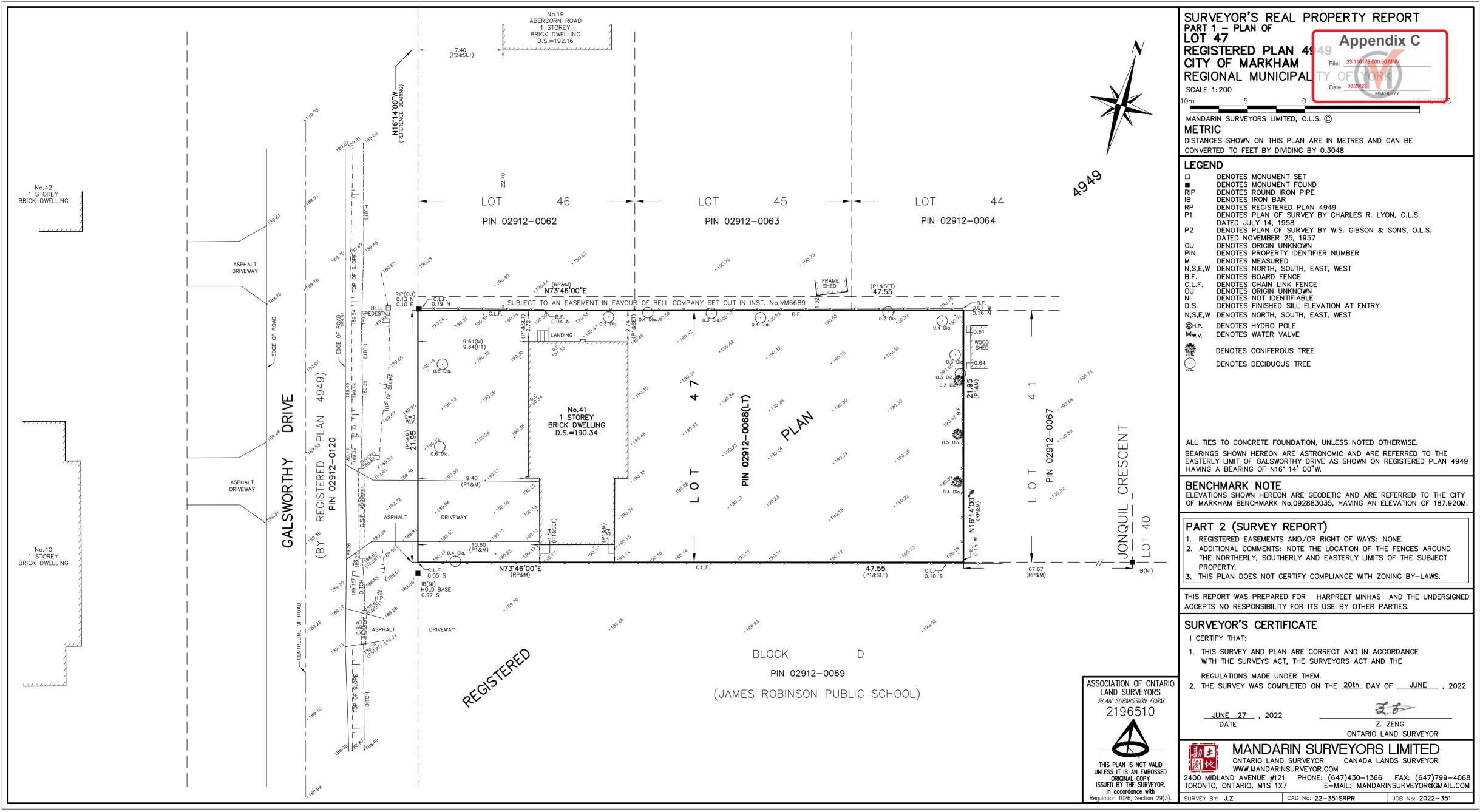
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APPENDIX "D" - A/038/23 Conditions of Approval

APPENDIX "D" CONDITIONS TO BE ATTACHED TO ANY APPROVAL OF FILE A/038/23

- 1. The variances apply only to the proposed development as long as it remains;
- That the variances apply only to the subject development, in substantial
 conformity with the plan(s) attached as Appendix "C" to this Staff Report, and that
 the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from the
 Director of Planning and Urban Design or designate that this condition has been
 fulfilled to his or her satisfaction;
- 3. Submission of a Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan, prepared by a qualified arborist in accordance with the City's Streetscape Manual (2009), as amended, to be reviewed and approved by the City, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receive written confirmation from Tree Preservation Technician or Manager of By-law Enforcement & Regulatory Services Division that this condition has been fulfilled to his/her satisfaction, and that any detailed Siting, Lot Grading and Servicing Plan required as a condition of approval reflects the Tree Assessment and Preservation Plan;
- 4. That the Applicant satisfies the requirements of Metrolinx, as indicated in their letter to the Secretary-Treasurer attached as Appendix "E" to this Staff Report, and that the Secretary-Treasurer receives written confirmation that this conditions has been fulfilled to the satisfaction of Metrolinx.

CONDITIONS PREPARED BY:

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Trisha Sridharan, Development Technician, Zoning and Special Projects

APPENDIX "E" - METROLINX COMMENTS: March 28, 2023

→ METROLINX

To: Shawna Houser, Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment

From: Farah Faroque, Intern

Adjacent Developments GO Expansion - Third Party Projects Review - Metrolinx

Date: March 28th, 2023

Re: A/038/23 - 41 Galsworthy Drive, Markham

Metrolinx is in receipt of the minor variance application for 41 Galsworthy Dr, Markham to facilitate the construction of a new two-storey single detached dwelling. Metrolinx's comments on the subject application are noted below:

- The subject property is located within 300 meters of Metrolinx's Uxbridge Subdivision which carries Metrolinx's Stouffville GO Train service.
- As per section 3.9 of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and Railway Association of Canada's Guidelines for New Development in Proximity to Railway Operations, the Owner shall grant Metrolinx an environmental easement for operational emissions. The environmental easement provides clear notification to those who may acquire an interest in the subject property and reduces the potential for future land use conflicts. The environmental easement shall be registered on title of the subject property. A copy of the form of easement is included for the Owner's information. The applicant may contact Ryan.Courville@Metrolinx.com or Farah.Faroque@metrolinx.com with questions and to initiate the registration process. (It should be noted that the registration process can take up to 6 weeks).
- The Proponent shall provide confirmation to Metrolinx, that following warning clause will be inserted into all Development Agreements, Offers to Purchase, and Agreements of Purchase and Sale or Lease of each unit within 300 metres of the Railway Corridor:
 - Warning: The Applicant is advised that the subject land is located within Metrolinx's 300 metres railway corridor zone of influence and as such is advised that Metrolinx and its assigns and successors in interest has or have a right-of-way within 300 metres from the subject land. The Applicant is further advised that there may be alterations to or expansions of the rail or other transit facilities on such right-of-way in the future including the possibility that Metrolinx or any railway entering into an agreement with Metrolinx to use the right-of-way or their assigns or successors as aforesaid may expand or alter their operations, which expansion or alteration may affect the environment of the occupants in the vicinity, notwithstanding the inclusion of any noise and vibration attenuating measures in the design of the development and individual lots, blocks or units.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards, Farah Faroque Intern, Third Party Projects Review Metrolinx 20 Bay Street Suite 600, Toronto



Form of Easement

WHEREAS the Transferor is the owner of those lands legally described in the Properties section of the Transfer Easement to which this Schedule is attached (the "Easement Lands");

IN CONSIDERATION OF the sum of TWO DOLLARS (\$2.00) and such other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged by the Transferor, the Transferor transfers to the Transferee, and its successors and assigns, a permanent and perpetual non-exclusive easement or right and interest in the nature of a permanent and perpetual non-exclusive easement over, under, along and upon the whole of the Easement Lands and every part thereof for the purposes of discharging, emitting, releasing or venting thereon or otherwise affecting the Easement Lands at any time during the day or night with noise, vibration and other sounds and emissions of every nature and kind whatsoever, including fumes, odours, dust, smoke, gaseous and particulate matter, electromagnetic interference and stray current but excluding spills, arising from or out of, or in connection with, any and all present and future railway or other transit facilities and operations upon the lands of the Transferee and including, without limitation, all such facilities and operations presently existing and all future renovations, additions, expansions and other changes to such facilities and all future expansions, extensions, increases, enlargement and other changes to such operations (herein collectively called the "Operational Emissions").

THIS Easement and all rights and obligations arising from same shall extend to, be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, agents, employees, servants, tenants, sub-tenants, customers, licensees and other operators, occupants and invitees and each of its or their respective heirs, executors, legal personal representatives, successors and assigns. The covenants and obligations of each party hereto, if more than one person, shall be joint and several.

Easement in gross.