

Planning Report

To: Township of Huron Kinloss Committee of Adjustment

From: Julie Steeper, Planner

Date: July 11, 2022

Re: Minor Variance Application - A-2021-061 (Cousins)

Recommendation:

Subject to a review of submissions arising from the public meeting:

That Committee approve Minor Variance A-2021-061 as attached subject to the conditions on the decision sheet.

Summary:

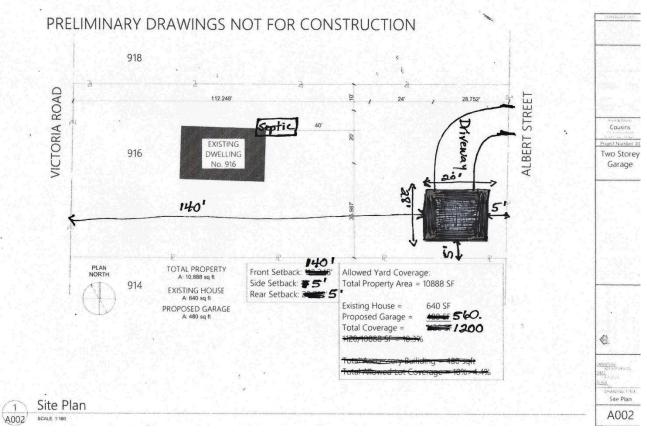
The purpose of the application is to seek relief from the required interior side yard setback and rear yard setback for a detached garage. The proposed interior side yard setback is 1.5m, whereas the required setback in the Zoning bylaw is 3m. The proposed rear yard setback is 1.5m, whereas the required setback in the Zoning bylaw is 3m. The applicant is requesting to reduce both setbacks by 1.5m for an accessory building with a maximum building height of 6.0 m. If approved, this application would facilitate the construction of a detached garage at 916 Victoria Road.

The property is located west of Lake Range Drive and South of Concession 4. The property is east from Lake Huron and is surrounded by residential uses.

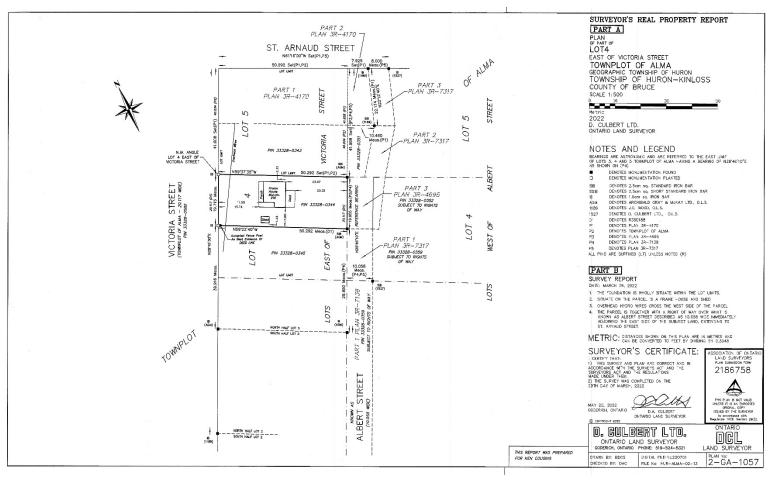
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Site Plan







Planning Analysis:

The following section provides an overview of the planning considerations that were factored into the staff recommendation for this application, including relevant agency comments (attached), public comments (attached) and planning policy sections.

Four Tests of a Minor Variance

Section 45(1) of the Planning Act gives the authority of granting minor relief from the provisions of the Zoning By-law to the Committee of Adjustment. Such relief can only be granted if the Minor Variance passes four tests. If the Committee is not satisfied on all four tests, then the Minor Variance cannot be approved.

Does the variance maintain the intent and purpose of the Official Plans?

The Bruce County Official Plan designates the property Secondary Urban Communities. The Township of Huron-Kinloss Official Plan designates the property Lakeshore Residential. The proposed detached garage is accessory to the existing residential use and permitted within the residential designations. Therefore, the application does maintain the intent and purpose of the Official Plans.

Does the variance maintain the intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law?

The property is zoned Residential (R1) and the Zoning By-law identifies the minimum interior side yard setback and rear yard setback for accessory buildings shall be 3 m. The applicant is requesting a side yard and rear yard setback of 1.5 m. The proposed garage will have a setback that exceeds the requirement at the north east side of the property boundary. Staff are satisfied that access to the rear yard will be maintained. Side yard setbacks provide separation between buildings and uses on adjacent properties, space for maintenance and landscaping, and buffering. The proposed setbacks will still allow adequate space for maintenance, landscaping, and buffering. The variances maintain the intent and purpose of the zoning by-law.

Is the application desirable for the appropriate development of the land, building or structure?

Over time, it can be expected that a property owner will grow and replace, add to, or build new structures on their property which allow them to maximize the benefit, value and use of their property. The variances will enable the property owner to build an accessory structure to meet their current needs. The accessory building will be used for storage. The variances represent an appropriate form of development for the use of the land.

A neighbouring property owner across the street has expressed concerns regarding the accuracy of the property boundaries, and lack of access from the rear. The applicant has provided a survey of the property and has deeded access from the rear which addresses the concerns. The proposed accessory building will be completely contained within the applicant's property boundaries

The proposed variances will also allow for the construction of a garage in a suitable location, and of a scale that is appropriate in relation to the size and dimensions of the property. The proposed development is consistent with surrounding land uses, and would comply with all required setbacks, with the exception of the interior side and rear yard setbacks. The variances represent an appropriate form of development for the use of the land.

Is the application minor in nature?

Whether a variance is minor is evaluated in terms of the impact the proposed development is expected to have on the surrounding neighbourhood. It is not expected that permitting the variance will have any impact on the character of the area or impact the ability of adjacent property owners to use their property for permitted uses. The variances are considered minor in nature.

Appendices

- County Official Plan Map
- Local Official Plan Map
- Local Zoning Map
- Agency Comments
- Public Comments
- Public Notice

County Official Plan Map (Designated Secondary Urban Communities)





Huron-Kinloss Official Plan Map (Designated Lakeshore Residential)

Huron-Kinloss Zoning Map (Zoned Residential One (R1))



Agency Comments

Township of Huron Kinloss: No concerns.

Township of Huron Kinloss Engineers, BM Ross: No concerns.

Saugeen Ojibway Nation: If at any point anything of archeological interest is revealed on site, please contact the SON Environment Office immediately.

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority: No concerns and provided in full below.



SENT ELECTRONICALLY ONLY: jstepper@brucecounty.on.ca and bcplwa@brucecounty.on.ca

October 15, 2021

Corporation of the County of Bruce Planning & Development 30 Park Street Walkerton, Ontario N0G 2V0

ATTENTION: Julie Steeper, Planner

Dear Ms. Steeper,

RE: Proposed Minor Variance A-2021-061 (Cousins) 916 Victoria Road Part Lot 4 E Victoria Street Townplot of Alma Roll number: 410716000623000 Geographic Township of Huron Township of Huron-Kinloss

Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority (SVCA) staff has reviewed the above-noted application as per our delegated responsibility from the Province to represent provincial interests regarding natural hazards identified in Section 3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS, 2020) and as a regulatory authority under Ontario Regulation 169/06 (SVCA's Development, Interference with Wetlands, and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation). SVCA staff has also provided comments as per our Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), dated September 2019, with the County of Bruce representing natural hazards, natural heritage, and water resources; and the application has also been reviewed through our role as a public body under the Planning Act as per our SVCA Member approved Environmental Planning and Regulations Policies Manual, amended October 16, 2018.

<u>Purpose</u>

The purpose of this application is to allow a minimum interior side yard setback and a minimum rear yard setback of 1.5 m (5 feet) where the Zoning By-law identifies minimum setbacks of 3.0 m (10 feet) for accessory buildings with a maximum building height of 6.0 m. If approved, this application would facilitate the construction of a detached garage.

Recommendation

SVCA staff find the application acceptable. The subject property does not contain any natural hazard features or other environmental features of interest to SVCA or as per our MOA with the County of Bruce. As such, it is the opinion of SVCA staff that the application is consistent with the Natural Hazard and Natural Heritage Policies of the PPS, 2020 and the Township of Huron-Kinloss Official Plan.



Watershed Member Municipalities

Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, Municipality of Brockton, Township of Chatsworth, Municipality of Grey Highlands, Town of Hanover, Township of Howick, Municipality of Morris-Turnberry, Municipality of South Bruce, Township of Huron-Kinloss, Municipality of Kincardine, Town of Minto, Township of Wellington North, Town of Saugeen Shores, Township of Southgate, Municipality of West Grey County of Bruce Planning & Development Department Proposed Minor Variance A-2021-061 (Cousins) October 15, 2021 Page 2 of 2

Additionally, the property is not within the SVCA Regulated Area, and is not subject to Ontario Regulation 169/06, or to the policies of SVCA at this time, and as such, permission from the SVCA is not required for development on the property.

Please inform this office of any decision made by the planning approval authority with regards to the application. We respectfully request to receive a copy of the decision and notice of any appeals filed. Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Michael Obele

Michael Oberle Environmental Planning Technician Saugeen Conservation MO\ cc: Emily Dance, Clerk, Township of Huron-Kinloss (via email) Don Murray, SVCA Authority Member representing the Township of Huron-Kinloss (via email) County of Bruce Planning & Development Department 30 Park Street, Box 848 Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0

November 1, 2021

Attention: Julie Steeper Via email: <u>bcplwa@brucecounty.on.ca</u>

Re: File Number: A-2021-061

We would like to provide feedback relating to the Public Hearing Notice we received in the mail, dated October 25, 2021 regarding File Number: A-2021-061. We have a few concerns with the application and Site Plan.

We own the property at 424 Albert Street, Point Clark. The property is registered under the name Andrea Fronchak.

There is currently an Easement in place for the road, Albert Street, that runs through the front of our property but the property line extends a number of feet beyond Albert Street which is currently a treed portion of the lot (the 'front' of our lot is therefore adjacent to the back of the applicant's lot). We are concerned that the application and Site Plan are not properly reflecting this. The Site Plan is showing a 5ft distance from the road for the proposed garage which is not accurate to the lot ownership. In addition, the drawing shows the proposed access via a driveway from the rear of the property to Albert Street. This would run directly over part of our property and there is currently no approved access to that portion of our lot.

We would therefore recommend that the application be revised to include more specific lot details potentially via a survey to ensure the building and access is clearly within the owners lot which can then be considered for comments and approval.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or would like to discuss any further prior to the Public Hearing. Contact details below:

Andrea Fronchak: Dan Fronchak: Email:

Kind regards,

Dan and Andrea Fronchak



County of Bruce Planning & Development Department 30 Park Street, Box 848 Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0 brucecounty.on.ca 226-909-5515



June 10, 2022 File Number: A-2022-061

Re-Scheduled Public Hearing Notice

You're invited Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00 pm, Council Chambers, Township of Huron-Kinloss, 21 Queen Street, Ripley, ON

A change is proposed in your neighbourhood: The purpose of this application is to allow a minimum interior side yard setback and a minimum rear yard setback of 1.5 m (5 feet) where the Zoning By-law identifies minimum setbacks of 3.0 m (10 feet) for accessory buildings with a maximum building height of 6.0 m. If approved, this application would facilitate the construction of a detached garage.



916 VICTORIA RD - ALMA TOWNPLOT PT LOT 4 E; VICTORIA ST (Huron) Township of Huron-Kinloss, Roll Number 410716000623000

Learn more

You can view limited information about the application at <u>https://brucecounty.on.ca/living/land-use.</u> Additional information, including the supporting materials, can be provided upon request by e-mailing <u>bcplwa@brucecounty.on.ca</u> or calling 226-909-5515. Information can also be viewed in person at the County of Bruce Planning Office noted above, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (Monday to Friday).

The Planner on the file is: Julie Steeper

Have your say

Comments and opinions submitted on these matters, including the originator's name and address, become part of the public record, may be viewed by the general public and may be published in a Planning Report and Council Agenda. Comments received after July 4, 2022 may not be included in the Planning report but will be considered if received prior to a decision being made, and included in the official record on file.

- 1. Please contact us by mail (address above) or bcplwa@brucecounty.on.ca if you have any questions, concerns or objections about the application.
- 2. You can speak at the Public Hearing.

For information on how to participate in the public hearing, please visit the Township of Huron-Kinloss website at: <u>https://calendar.huronkinloss.com/meetings</u>, or contact the Township by 4:30 pm on July 11, 2022 (<u>edance@huronkinloss.com</u> or 519-395-3735 ext. 123) if you have any questions regarding how to participate in the hearing.

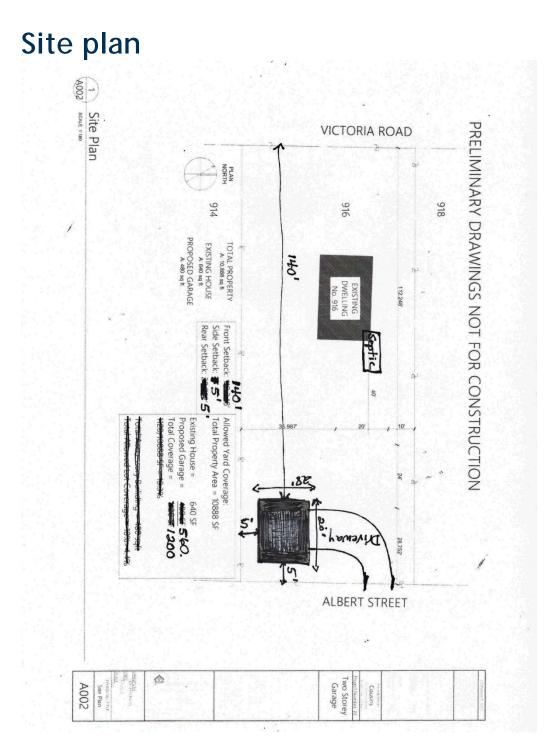
Stay in the loop

If you'd like to be notified of the decision of the Committee of Adjustment on the proposed application, you must make a written request to the Bruce County Planning Department on behalf of the Secretary-Treasurer for the Committee of Adjustment.

Know your rights

The applicant, the Minister or any other person or public body who has an interest in the matter may within 20 days of the making of the decision appeal to the Tribunal against the decision of the committee by filing with the secretary-treasurer of the committee a notice of appeal setting out the objection to the decision and the reasons in support of the objection accompanied by payment to the secretary-treasurer of the fee charged by the Tribunal under the Ontario Land Tribunal Act, 2021 as payable on an appeal from a committee of adjustment to the Tribunal, in accordance with Section 45(12) of the Planning Act

For more information please visit the Ontario Land Tribunal website at <u>https://olt.gov.on.ca/appeals-process/</u>.



Site plan - survey

