CITY OF NANAIMO

BOARD OF VARIANCE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VARIANCE
HELD ON THURSDAY, 2006-JANUARY-19\textsuperscript{th}, IN THE BOARD ROOM,
CITY HALL, 455 WALLACE STREET, NANAIMO, BC

PRESENT: Roger Richer, Chairperson
Patricia Portsmouth
Dan Hooper

STAFF: David Stewart

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. MINUTES

MOVED by Dan Hooper, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the minutes of the meeting held 2005-DECEMBER-15\textsuperscript{th} be adopted  

CARRIED

3. APPEAL: BOV00286

APPLICANT: Adrienne Bandet

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 61, DOUGLAS ISLAND (ALSO KNOWN AS PROTECTION ISLAND), NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 14111
Civic Address: 61 Pirates Lane

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the required side yard setback be reduced from 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) to 0.67 metres (2.20 feet) in order to permit a recently constructed accessory building. This represents a variance of 0.83 metres (2.72 feet).

ZONING REGULATIONS: This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-4) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.4.6.2– Yard Requirements
Side yards of not less than 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) for each side yard shall be provided”
DISCUSSION
No persons appeared to speak to this appeal

DECISION
MOVED by Dan Hooper, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the appeal be deferred as the applicant was not present to speak to the appeal.
CARRIED

4. APPEAL: BOV00293
APPLICANT: Ronald William Poulter and Lynnel Janet Poulter
LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 17, SECTION 5, WELLENGTON DISTRICT, PLAN 25277
Civic Address: 3065 Shamrock Place
PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the required front yard setback be reduced from 6 metres (19.69 feet) to 4.56 metres (14.96 feet) in order to construct an addition to a single family dwelling. This represents a variance of 1.44 metres (4.73 feet).
ZONING REGULATIONS: This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:
“Section 6.1.6.1– Yard Requirements
A front yard of not less than 6 metres (19.6 feet) shall be provided”
DISCUSSION: Mr. Ronald Poulter (3065 Shamrock Place) appeared in support of the appeal.
DECISION: MOVED by Dan Hooper, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the appeal be granted, subject to a building permit being issued within 3 months (2006-April-19th)
CARRIED
5. APPEAL: BOV00294

APPLICANT: DGC Holdings Corp.

LOCATION: Legal Description: STRATA LOT B, SECTION 12, RANGE 9 OF SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, STRATA PLAN VIS5911, TOGETHER WITH AN INTEREST IN THE COMMON PROPERTY IN PROPORTION TO THE UNIT ENTITLEMENT OF THE STRATA LOT AS SHOWN ON FORM V

Civic Address: 475 Eight Street

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the maximum height of a principal dwelling be increased from 8.25 metres (27.06 feet) to 8.95 metres (29.36 feet) for a single family dwelling under construction. This represents a height variance of 0.7 metres (2.30 feet).

ZONING REGULATIONS:
This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.1.7.1– Height of Buildings
The height of a building shall not exceed the maximum height shown in the following table:

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*for an area of at least 80% of all roof surfaces measured in plain view

DISCUSSION
Mr. Blair Dueck (DGC Holdings) and Mr. Brian Mollet (475 Eight Street) appeared in support of this appeal.

DECISION
MOVED by Dan Hooper, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the appeal be granted

CARRIED
6. **APPEAL:** BOV00295  
**APPLICANT:** Joseph Reginald Battye  
**LOCATION:** Legal Description: AMENDED LOT 7 (DD50952N), BLOCK 6, SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 1352  
Civic Address: 207 Sixth Street  

**PURPOSE:** The applicant is requesting that the required rear yard setback be reduced from 7.5 metres (24.6 feet) to 5 metres (16.40 feet) in order to permit an addition to a single family dwelling. This represents a variance of 2.5 metres (8.20 feet).

**ZONING REGULATIONS:**
This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1A) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.1.6.3– Yard Requirements
A rear yard of not less than 7.5 metres (24.6 feet) shall be provided for a principal building”

**DISCUSSION**
Mr. Joseph Battye (207 Sixth Street) and Mr. Bruce Stevens (Pheasant Hill Developments) appeared in support of this appeal.

**DECISION**
MOVED by Patricia Portsmouth, SECONDED by Dan Hooper, that the appeal be granted.  
CARRIED

7. **APPEAL:** BOV00296  
**APPLICANT:** Noel Roehlen Noble  
**LOCATION:** Legal Description: LOT 1, SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 1617  
Civic Address: 205 Seventh Street  

**PURPOSE:** The applicant is requesting that:
1) the maximum height of an existing principal dwelling be increased from 8.25 metres (27.06 feet) to 9.11 metres (29.89 feet)
2) the required front yard setback be reduced from 6 metres (19.69 feet) to 3.9 metres (12.80 feet)
3) the required flanking side yard setback be reduced from 4 metres (13.12 feet) to 3.8 metres (12.46 feet); and
4) the interior side yard setback be reduced from 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) to 1.0 metre (3.28 feet).

In order to allow for an addition to an existing single family dwelling which is presently non-conforming as to siting and height. This represents a height variance of 0.86 metres (2.83 feet), a front yard setback variance of 2.1 metres (6.89 feet), a flanking side yard setback variance of 0.2 metres (0.66 feet), and an internal side yard setback variance of 0.5 metres (1.64 feet).

**ZONING REGULATIONS:**
This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1A) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.1.7.1– Height of Buildings
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“Section 6.1.6.2– Yard Requirements
A front yard of not less than 6 metres (19.6 feet) shall be provided”

“Section 6.1.6.2– Yard Requirements
Side yards of not less than 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) for each side yard shall be provided. In the case of a corner lot, the side yard setback adjoining the flanking street shall not be less than 4 metres (13.12 feet)”

Please note Section 911 (9) and (10) of the Local Government Act, which states:
“if the use and density of buildings and structures conform to a bylaw under this division... but the siting, size or dimensions of a building or structure constructed before the bylaw was adopted does not conform with the bylaw, ... the building or structure ... may be maintained, extended or altered ... only to the extent that the repair, extension or alteration would, when completed, involve no further contravention of the bylaw than that existing at the time the repair, extension or alteration was started.”

**DISCUSSION**
Mr. Ray Statshuk (237 Irwin Street) appeared in support of the appeal
DECISION
MOVED by Dan Hooper, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the appeal be granted subject to a building permit being issued within 3 months (2006-April-19th) CARRIED

8. APPEAL: BOV00297
APPLICANT: Noni Ruth Watson
LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 1, SECTION 11, RANGE 7, MOUNTAIN DISTRICT, PLAN 23748
Civic Address: 2233 Ashlee Road

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the maximum allowable height of a principal dwelling be increased from 8.25 metres (27.06 feet) to 11.42 metres (37.46 feet), in order to construct a single family dwelling. This represents a variance of 3.17 metres (10.40 feet).

ZONING REGULATIONS:
This property is included in the Single Family Mobile Home Residential Zone (RS-3) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.3.6.1- Height of Buildings
The height of a principle building shall not exceed 8.25 metres (27.06 feet)”

Note: The applicant previously applied for and was granted a height variance of 3.17 metres (10.40 feet) on 2005-September-15th (BOV00274). The applicant has subsequently altered the plans originally reviewed by the Board and therefore a new appeal is required.

DISCUSSION
Ms. Noni Watson, Mr. Sandy Watson (2686 Departure Bay Road) and Mr. Bill Thompson (Builder) appeared in support of the appeal

DECISION
MOVED by Dan Hooper, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the appeal be granted, subject to a building permit being issued within 3 months (2006-April-19th) CARRIED

Patricia Portsmouth requested her opposition to the appeal be noted
9. APPEAL: BOV00298

APPLICANT: Gunter Emil Gutsche and Merlinda Ng Gutsche

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 74, DISTRICT LOT 53, WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN 33929
Civic Address: 330 Cambridge Place

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the required rear yard setback be reduced from 7.5 metres (24.60 feet) to 6.72 metres (22.05 feet) in order to accommodate an addition to an existing single family dwelling. This represents a variance of 0.78 metres (2.55 feet).

ZONING REGULATIONS:
This property is included in the Single Family Residential Zone (RS-1) and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of the “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.1.6.3– Yard Requirements
A rear yard of not less than 7.5 metres (24.6 feet) shall be provided for a principal building”

DISCUSSION
Mr. Gunter Gutsche (330 Cambridge Place) appeared in support of the appeal.

DECISION
MOVED by Patricia Portsmouth SECONDED by Dan Hooper that the appeal be granted.

10. ATTENDANCE
It was determined that all members present will be in attendance

11. ADJOURNMENT
MOVED by Dan Hooper, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

CARRIED.