CITY OF NANAIMO

BOARD OF VARIANCE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF VARIANCE
HELD ON THURSDAY, 2004-JUNE-17TH, IN THE BOARD ROOM,
CITY HALL, 455 WALLACE STREET, NANAIMO, BC

PRESENT:

Roger Richer, Chairperson
Joy Cameron
Jerome Howell
Patricia Portsmouth

STAFF:

Jason Carvalho

1. CALL TO ORDER:

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

2. APPEAL: BOV00189

APPLICANT: Tia Marie Moshuk

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 41, BLOCK 1,
SECTION 17, RANGE 7, MOUNTAIN DISTRICT,
PLAN 526, EXCEPT PART IN PLAN VIP54412
Civic Address: 2119 Bowen Road

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the maximum height of a fence along the front property line be increased from 1.2 metres (3.94 feet) to 1.83 metres (6.0 feet). This represents a variance of .63 metres (2.06 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 “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.1.9.1 – Height of Fences
The height of a fence shall not exceed 1.2 metres (3.94 feet) in a front yard.”
DISCUSSION
Mr. Jay Moshuk and Mrs. Tia Marie Brown (Moshuk) appeared in support of this appeal.

DECISION
MOVED by Joy Cameron, SECONDED by Jerome Howell, that this appeal be granted,
CARRIED.

3. APPEAL: BOV00190

APPLICANT: Peter Hyldtoft & Elizabeth Giebelhaus

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 3, DISTRICT LOT 32, WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN VIP75629
Civic Address: 5385 Rutherford Road

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the side yard setback requirement be reduced from 7.5 metres (24.6 feet) to 7.10 metres (23.29 feet), in order to construct a single family dwelling. This represents a variance of .4 metres (1.31 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 “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”

“Section 5.2.1.1 – Location and Siting of Buildings and Structures to Major Roads
Principal or accessory buildings or structures shall not be closer than 7.5 meters (24.6 feet) from a property line that abuts established urban arterials, urban collector roads and provincial highways as designated by the City of Nanaimo Official Community Plan, when dedication has occurred to achieve the required right-of-way width.”

DISCUSSION
Mr. Peter Hyldtoft and Ms. Elizabeth Giebelhaus appeared in support of this appeal.
DECISION
MOVED by Joy Cameron, SECONDED by Jerome Howell, that this appeal be granted, subject to a building permit being issued within three months (2004-September-17th).
CARRIED.

4. APPEAL: BOV00191

APPLICANT: J & F Morris Holdings Ltd.
RESIDENT: Valerie Robinson

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 1, SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN VIP60009
Civic Address: 295 Ninth Street
Mobile Address: #30 – 318 Myrtle Crescent

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that:
1. The maximum lot coverage be increased from 35% to 46%;
2. The front yard setback requirement be reduced from 4.5 metres (14.76 feet) to 3.66 meters (12.0 feet) for a single family dwelling
3. The rear yard setback requirement be reduced from 3 metres (9.84 feet) to .30 metres (.98 feet),
in order to construct roof coverings over existing wheelchair ramps, and to construct a carport. This represents a lot coverage variance of 11%, a front yard setback variance of .84 metres (2.76 feet), and rear yard setback variance of 2.7 metres (8.86 feet).

ZONING REGULATIONS:
This property is included in the Mobile Home Park Subdivision Zone (RM-8), and the appeal seeks to vary the following provisions of "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000":

"Section 7.8.5. – Lot and Site Coverage
7.8.5.2. The maximum lot coverage shall not exceed 35%.”

"Section 7.8.6. – Yard Requirements
7.8.6.2. A front yard of not less than 4.5 metres (14.76 feet) shall be provided.
7.8.6.4. A rear yard of not less than 3 metres (9.84 feet) shall be provided.”
DISCUSSION
Judy Morris (J & F Morris Holdings Ltd.) and Carol Wagner (303 Myrtle Crescent) appeared in support of this appeal.

DECISION
MOVED by Patricia Portsmouth, SECONDED by Joy Cameron, that this appeal be granted, subject to a building permit being issued within three months (2004-September-17th).

CARRIED.

5. APPEAL: BOV00192

APPLICANT: Michael Mark

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 20, BLOCK 1, SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 1462
Civic Address: 18 Albion Street

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that the maximum height requirement be increased from 8.25 metres (27.06 feet) to 8.48 metres (27.81 feet), in order to construct an addition to a single family dwelling. This represents a height variance of 0.23 metres (.75 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 “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

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

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<tr>
<th>Roof Pitch</th>
<th>Maximum Height</th>
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<tr>
<td>A sloped roof (&gt; than 4:12)*</td>
<td>8.25 metres (27.06 feet)</td>
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*for an area of at least 80% of all roof surfaces measured in plan view.*

DISCUSSION
Mr. Michael Mark and Mrs. Joyce Murdoch appeared in support of this appeal.
DECISION
MOVED by Patricia Portsmouth, SECONDED by Jerome Howell, that this appeal be granted, subject to a building permit being issued within three months (2004-September-17th).

CARRIED.

6. APPEAL: BOV00193

APPLICANT: Daria Antoinette Holmboe

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 22, SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 8632
Civic Address: 1790 Hallen Avenue

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that:
1. The height of a fence along the side yard adjoining the flanking street, for a distance of 7 metres from the point of intersection, be increased from 1.2 metres (3.94 feet) to 1.80 metres (5.91 feet). This represents a variance of .60 metres (1.97 feet);
2. and that the maximum height of a fence in the front yard be increased from 1.2 metres (3.94 feet) to 2.47 metres (8.10 feet). This represents a variance of 1.27 metres (4.16 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 “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 5.8.1 – Visibility at Intersections
Where two highways intersect, there shall be no obstruction to the line of vision between 1.2 meters (3.94 feet) and 3 meters (9.84 feet) within an area bounded by the center line of intersecting lot lines, and a line joining each of the lot lines 7 meters from the point of intersection.

“Section 6.1.9.1 – Height of Fences
The height of a fence shall not exceed 1.2 metres (3.94 feet) in a front yard.”

DISCUSSION
Ms. Daria Holmboe appeared in support of this appeal. Ms. Raffle (1717 Hallen Avenue) submitted a letter in opposition to this appeal.
DECISION
MOVED by Patricia Portsmouth, SECONDED by Joy Cameron, that this appeal be denied.

CARRIED.

7. APPEAL: BOV00194

APPLICANT: Jacqueline M Britten

LOCATION: Legal Description: LOT 16, BLOCK 3,
SECTION 1, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 1462
Civic Address: 485 Park Avenue

PURPOSE: The applicant is requesting that:

1. The side yard setback requirement be reduced from 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) to 1.2 meters (3.94 feet);
2. the rear yard setback requirement be reduced from 7.5 metres (24.6 feet) to 4.1 meters (13.45 feet);

in order to accommodate an addition to a single family dwelling, which is non-conforming as to siting. This represents a side yard setback variances of .3 metres (.98 feet) and a rear yard setback variance of 3.4 metres (11.15 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 “City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 4000”:

“Section 6.1.6. – Yard Requirements
6.1.6.2. Side yards of not less than 1.5 metres (4.92 feet) for each side yard shall be provided.
6.1.6.3. A rear yard of not less than 7.5 metres (24.6 feet) shall be provided for a principal building.”

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
Ms. Jacqueline Britten appeared in support of this appeal. Mr. Harold Bjarnason and Mr. Sean Bjarnason (489 Park Avenue) appeared in opposition to this appeal.

DECISION
MOVED by Patricia Portsmouth, SECONDED by Jerome Howell, that this appeal be granted, subject to a building permit being issued within three months (2004-September-17th).

CARRIED.

8. MINUTES
MOVED by Patricia Portsmouth, SECONDED by Jerome Howell, that the minutes of the meeting held 2004-May-20th be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

9. ATTENDANCE
It was determined that all members of the Board will be present for the next meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT
MOVED by Joy Cameron, SECONDED by Patricia Portsmouth, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:49 p.m.
CARRIED.

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Roger Richer     Jason Carvalho
Chairperson, Board of Variance  Secretary, Board of Variance

pc  B.N. Mehaffey, General Manager, Development Services Department
     D. Lindsay, Manager, Planning Division, DSD
     M. Pilcher Subdivision/Planning Technician, DSD
     P. Murphy, Manager, Property Services Manager, DSD
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     J. Holm, Planner, DSD

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