

Staff Report for Decision

File Number: DP001118

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SUBJECT DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION NO. DP1118 –

6010 HAMMOND BAY ROAD

OVERVIEW

Purpose of Report

To present for Council's consideration, a development permit application for a 53-unit multi-family development at 6010 Hammond Bay Road.

Recommendation

That Council issue Development Permit No. DP1118 at 6010 Hammond Bay Road with the following variances:

- increase the maximum front yard setback from 6m to 22.05m on the north property line; and
- increase the maximum front yard setback from 6m to 10.06m on the south property line.

BACKGROUND

A development permit application, DP1118, was received from Murdoch + Company Architecture + Planning Ltd., on behalf of 6010 Hammond Bay Road Holdings Ltd., to permit the development of a four-storey, 53-unit multi-family apartment building with underground parking.

Subject Property

Zoning	COR1 – Residential Corridor
Location	The subject property is located at the corner of Hammond Bay and
	Brickyard Roads.
Total Area	4,083.5m ²
Official Community	Map 1 – Residential Corridor
Plan (OCP)	
Relevant Design	General Development Area Design Guidelines
Guidelines	

The subject property is located at the northwest corner of Hammond Bay Road and Brickyard Road, with Clayburn Place bordering the rear of the property. The lots to the north, south, and east are residentially zoned and contain duplexes and single detached dwellings. The properties to the west are also zoned COR1 and have potential to redevelop.

Currently, the subject property contains a single family dwelling and a large accessory building. The lot slopes down from Hammond Bay Road towards Clayburn Place, with a number of



mature Douglas fir trees growing around the perimeter of the property. Clayburn Place is currently a narrow street that allows pedestrian access to the adjacent neighbourhoods.

DISCUSSION

Proposed Development

The proposed development is a four-storey, 53-unit multi-family condominium building with underground parking. The units range in size from 70.2m² to 87.7m² in area, and feature a mix of one- and two-bedroom units.

The proposed building has a gross floor area of approximately 5,081m² and a Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 1.24, which complies with the permitted density where underground parking is provided. The proposed unit density is 77 units/ha, which is within the density range of 50-150 units/ha envisioned for the 'Corridor' land-use designation in the Official Community Plan (OCP).

Site Design

The proposed building footprint is oriented north-south and vehicle access to the underground parking building is from Clayburn Place. Four visitor parking spaces are proposed at grade at the parkade entry. An additional 86 parking spaces, including 9 electric vehicle (EV) parking spaces, long-term bike parking, and refuse/recycling facilities are provided underground. On-street parking will also be available on Clayburn Place.

Pedestrian connectivity between Hammond Bay Road and Clayburn Place is accommodated onsite via a private walkway along the west side of the building. The applicant also proposes to voluntarily provide road dedication to allow buildout of the road cross-section for Hammond Bay Road and Clayburn Place.

Building Design

The proposed building is four storeys, and is configured in a C-shape with a central courtyard mid-point on the east elevation. The main building entrance is on the west side accessed from a prominent arbour-covered walkway from Hammond Bay Road. Each unit features a private deck, with the street-level units having individual entrances and patio spaces off the Hammond Bay Road sidewalk.

The building is well articulated with a strong street presence, and the upper floor of the building is stepped back in the northeast and southeast corners to provide a three-storey interface with existing adjacent duplexes. The central courtyard on the east elevation provides additional separation from adjacent residences. Rooftop decks and green roof areas cover the majority of the building footprint.

The building design features significant articulation and glazing. The unit balconies are constructed with aluminum guardrails and glass infill. Hardie board and cedar batten siding, metal fascia, and glulam posts and beams are proposed for the building façade. The proposed development meets the intent of the General Development Permit Area Design Guidelines.



Landscape Design

The proposed landscape plan features a perimeter of trees around the building, a walkway covered by arbour trellises along the west elevation connecting Hammond Bay Road to Clayburn Place, Allan block planters at the front and rear of the building, and two common seating areas on roof terraces. The planting scheme includes a mix of native and non-native trees, shrubs, perennials, and grasses.

Design Advisory Panel

The Design Advisory Panel, at its meeting held on 2018-NOV-22, accepted DP1118 as presented and provided the following recommendations:

- Consider providing screening should rooftop units be included in the design.
- Consider providing gates for the units fronting Hammond Bay Road.
- Consider adding some sort of framework or element to rooftop patios for future use.
- Look at ways to enhance the west edge walkway in order to be more inviting and user friendly for the general public.
- Consider ways to improve the transition from the southwest side of the building (from Hammond Bay Road to Clayburn Place) and follow the natural lay of the land.
- Look at ways to screen the concrete face on the parkade side with either landscaping or stone façade.
- If any additional room can be gained on the east side it should be accommodated for.

The applicant has adequately addressed the DAP recommendations.

The proposed walkway on the west side of the building will be for private use only. Staff reviewed the opportunity for a public pathway through the site and determined this was not a desirable location for this connection. Consideration of a public walkway will be included in future development of the properties to the west.

Community Consultation

The application was referred to the Dover Community Association. They confirmed they do not have any concerns with the proposed development.

Proposed Variances

Front Yard Setback

The applicant proposes to vary the maximum front yard setback from 6m to 22.05m from the north property line (Clayburn Place), and from 6m to 10.06m from the south property line (Hammond Bay Road). Note the setbacks are measured from the existing property lines; following road dedication the setbacks will be 13.8m and 7.62m respectively.

The COR1 zone has a minimum and maximum front lot line setback of 3.5m and 6m in order to enhance building street presence. As the subject property is a "through lot" (abutting two parallel streets), both the Hammond Bay Road and Clayburn Place frontages are considered front lot lines and are subject to the 6m maximum front lot line setback.



The proposed building and landscape designs include elements such as street-level patios, stepped architectural form, street-facing shared seating areas, and pedestrian-scale landscape features, each of which contribute to the building's street presence.

On the Hammond Bay Road frontage, landscape planters and patio space for each unit are located closer to the street than the building face in order to provide a transition from the sidewalk to the building and enhance the pedestrian realm in front of the building. The additional setback also provides adequate space for existing and proposed utilities in front of the building.

On the Clayburn Place frontage, the additional setback accommodates terraced landscaped walls, walkway access stairs, parkade entry, outdoor patios, and seating areas. The stepped form provides a better transition than if the building were placed closer to the street.

Staff support the proposed variances.

SUMMARY POINTS

- Development Permit Application No. DP1118 is for a 53-unit multi-family development with underground parking at 6010 Hammond Bay Road.
- Variances are requested to increase the maximum front yard setbacks along the north and south property lines.
- The proposed development meets the intent of the City's General Development Permit Area Design Guidelines and Staff support the proposed variances.

ATTACHMENTS

ATTACHMENT A: Permit Terms and Conditions

ATTACHMENT B: Location Plan ATTACHMENT C: Site Plan ATTACHMENT D: Parking Plan

ATTACHMENT E: Building Elevations
ATTACHMENT F: Proposed Streetscapes
ATTACHMENT G: Building Renderings
ATTACHMENT H: Landscape Plan
ATTACHMENT I: Aerial Photo

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