

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

BOARD OF VARIANCE

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Board of Variance will be held on Thursday, June 6th, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC to hear the following appeal:

APPEAL NO:	BOV00781
Applicant:	DAVE DINH, POSH CONSTRUCTION LTD
Civic Address:	504 PINNACLE PLACE
Legal Description:	LOT 20 SECTION 1 NANAIMO DISTRICT PLAN EPP113619
Requested Variance:	Section 7.6.1 of the "City of Nanaimo Zoning Bylaw 2011 No. 4500" permits a maximum building height of 9.0m for a principal building with a sloped roof (with a roof pitch of 4 in 12 or greater) in the Single Dwelling Residential (R1) zone.
	The applicant requests to increase the maximum building height from 9.0m to 9.23m to allow the construction of a single residential dwelling. This represents a variance of 0.23m.

You are being notified as an owner or tenant of land that is adjacent to the property that is the subject of this application. If you deem your property is affected by the proposed variance, and wish to address this appeal, you will be given the opportunity to be heard at the Board of Variance meeting. Members of the public may submit comments in writing or attend the meeting in-person.

For questions, please contact Kirsten Dafoe, Planning Assistant by email at <u>kirsten.dafoe@nanaimo.ca</u>, or by phone at 250-755-4460 ext. 4509.

WRITTEN SUBMISSION: Written comments must be submitted by email to above address no later than 2:30 p.m. June 6th, 2024.

ATTEND IN-PERSON: To address this appeal in person you may attend this meeting, in the Board Room, Service and Resource Centre, 411 Dunsmuir Street, Nanaimo, BC on Thursday, June 6th 2024, at 4:00 p.m.

SUBJECT PROPERTY MAP











May 16, 2024

Board of Variance c/o City of Nanaimo Legislative Services 455 Wallace Street Nanaimo BC V9R 5J6

Dear Members of the Board:

Re: Application to the Board of Variance for a Height Variance of 0.23 metres for House Construction at 504 Pinnacle Place, Nanaimo Lot 20, Plan EPP113619, Section 1, Nanaimo Land District.

Please find enclosed /attached our application for a maximum roof height variance of 0.23 metres for our home under construction on the above-noted property. Our application package is comprised of:

- 1. Completed Application Form and \$250 Application Fee;
- 2. BOV Checklist;
- 3. Current title search of the property;
- 4. Surveyor's Certificate of Existing House Location signed May 13, 2024;
- 5. Surveyor's Certificate of Proposed House Location signed July 18, 2023;
- 6. Letters of consent from adjacent neighbours;
- 7. May 5th, 2024 Photo taken by Dave Dinh 504 Pinnacle Place;
- 8. Proposed Elevation Plans May 07, 2024;
- 9. Existing Elevation Revised Plans May 16, 2024

Site Context

504 Pinnacle is a parcel on a quiet Cul de sac of the road. The house is facing directly north and the sidewalk is higher than the driveway 1m. All the houses on the other side of the street are higher and against a bank. Therefore, there are no sight lines affected by this house and no ocean or mountain views are being affected either.

Reason for Variance Request

We have been informed by our land surveyor that the main floor elevation and the highest roof peak are higher than was designed and that the roof peak now exceeds the maximum allowable under the Zoning Bylaw by 0.35 metres and is 0.23 metres higher than originally designed. The roof peak that exceeds the maximum allowable makes up about 60% of the roof structure as visible from the road. It is our understanding that during the foundation stage, it was raised and a miscalculation mistake to help with the steepness of the driveway. The design driveway was at the minimum allowed under the city's engineering standards. The slope is supposed to gradually increase but it equals 12% from the back of the curb directly to the proposed slab. The final slope point-to-point is 8.7%.

Rationale for the Variance

To comply with the bylaw height requirement, it would be necessary to remove the roof structure, lower the height of the constructed upper floor walls and then reconstruct the roof. The roof truss pitch is 4:12 which is the lowest permitted under the bylaw to qualify for the 9 metre roof height calculation. Even the consideration of changing the roof truss pitch to 3:12 still not be achievable due to reconstructing the lower and upper walls, and the roof. This is a master planned community for which the look of the houses has been aesthetically designed with modern contemporary roof peeks for a distinct look. Having to cut the roofline would still be over by 0.03 metres, which would greatly affect the aesthetic of this house and make it stand out compared to the rest.

We have letters of support from the neighbours as they too want to keep the aesthetic of the street intact. Given that this is the first house in the Pinnacle community it must align with the feel of the neighbourhood.

We feel that the variance is minor and ask that a variance be granted. Reducing our roof height at this point to comply with the Zoning Bylaw would be extremely costly and time consuming. Also, the environmental impact of removing the roof or walls, putting that material in the landfill and rebuilding it with new material is very 'wasteful'.

Closure

Thank you for your consideration of this application. Should you have any questions or require any further information upon your review of the preceding and enclosed please contact us. We look forward to your response in due course.

Dave Dinh, Posh Construction Ltd May 8, 2024

City of Nanaimo Board of Variance

Building Height Variance Request – Letter of Rationale 504 Pinnacle Place Lot 20, Plan EPP113619, Section 1, Nanaimo Land District

To whom it may concern,

We are the owners of Pinnacle Place. Dave Dinh from Posh Construction Ltd has acknowledged us and explained the over height at 504 Pinnacle Pl. The house is over height 0.23m. We understand and have no problems with it. It is not blocking out views or affecting us by any means.

Kim Hai Yen Nguyen,	Dave McCammon & Huong Dinh,
Pinnacle PI, Nanaimo	Pinnacle PI, Nanaimo
Jennifer Huynh,	Ken Vissia & Duong Dinh,
Pinnacle PI, Nanaimo	Pinnacle PI, Nanaimo
Hien Phaň,	Hong Vo,
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