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via email

GRCA File: A-26-23 – 192 Arthur Street North

Trista Di Lullo Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment City of Guelph City Hall, 1 Carden Street Guelph, ON N1H 3A1

Dear Ms. Di Lullo,

## Re: Minor Variance Application A-26/23

192 Arthur Street North, City of Guelph Evelyn Thompson

Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) staff has reviewed the above-noted minor variance application.

## **Recommendation**

The Grand River Conservation Authority (GRCA) has no objection to the proposed minor variance application.

## **GRCA** Comments

GRCA has reviewed this application under the Mandatory Programs and Services Regulation (Ontario Regulation 686/21), including acting on behalf of the Province regarding natural hazards identified in Section 3.1 of the Provincial Policy Statement (PPS, 2020), as a regulatory authority under Ontario Regulation 150/06, and as a public body under the *Planning Act* as per our CA Board approved policies.

Information currently available at this office indicates that the subject property is adjacent to the Speed River and contains valley slopes, floodplain, and the regulated allowance adjacent to these features. This reach of floodplain is within a Two-Zone Floodplain Policy Area and the floodplain on this property is within the floodway. A copy of our resource mapping is attached.

Due to the presence of the above-noted features, portions of the property are regulated by the GRCA under Ontario Regulation 150/06 - Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation. Any future development or other alteration within the regulated area will require prior written approval from GRCA in the form of a permit pursuant to Ontario Regulation 150/06. Any future development within the floodplain on this property must conform to the GRCA Two-Zone Floodplain Policies and the Two-Zone Floodplain Policies outlined in the City of Guelph Official Plan and Zoning By-law. The minor variance application requests an extension of the legal non-conforming use to an addition that is proposed on the side of the semi-detached dwelling. The GRCA has no objection to the proposed minor variance application.

GRCA previously reviewed and approved Permit #720-20 for a ground floor addition to the semi-detached dwelling. This permit has now expired and the scope of work has changed to include a second storey. As such, the applicant will need to submit a new GRCA permit application. The applicant can submit the new application on GRCA's website here: <u>https://apps.grandriver.ca/Permits</u>.

We wish to acknowledge receipt of the applicable plan review fee for our review of the related application A56/20. As such, a GRCA plan review fee for this application is not required.

## For Municipal Consideration

Please be advised that on January 1, 2023, a new Minister's regulation (Ontario Regulation 596/22: Prescribed Acts – Subsections 21.1.1 (1.1) and 21.1.2 (1.1) of the Conservation Authorities Act) came into effect. As a result, non-mandatory technical review services that the GRCA formerly provided under agreement with some municipalities (e.g., technical reviews related to natural heritage and select aspects of stormwater management) will no longer be provided.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 519-621-2763 ext. 2228 or aherreman@grandriver.ca.

Sincerely,

Andrew Herreman, CPT Resource Planning Technician Grand River Conservation Authority

Enclosed: GRCA Mapping Copy: Evelyn Thompson (via email) Philip Beuglet (via email)

