



November 1, 2023

via email

GRCA File: A-75-23 – 31 Margaret Street

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-75/23
31 Margaret Street, City of Guelph
Justin Boire

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 entirely within the floodplain of the Speed River. This reach of floodplain is also designated as Special Policy Area Floodplain within the City of Guelph Official Plan. A copy of GRCA's resource mapping is attached.

Due to the presence of the floodplain, the entire property is 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 Special Policy Area policies and the Special Policy Area Floodplain policies outlined in the City of Guelph Official Plan and Zoning By-law.

The minor variance application requests reduced rear yard and interior side yard setbacks to facilitate an addition to the dwelling. The GRCA has no objection to the requested variances or the proposed addition. However, the applicant is advised that the proposed addition will require a GRCA permit under Ontario Regulation 150/06. Pre-consultation with GRCA staff is recommended to go over applicable policies and submission requirements.

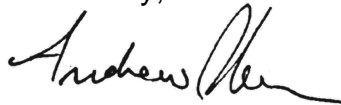
Consistent with GRCA's 2023 approved fee schedule, this application is considered a 'minor' minor variance and the applicant will be invoiced in the amount of \$300.00 for the GRCA's review of this application.

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,

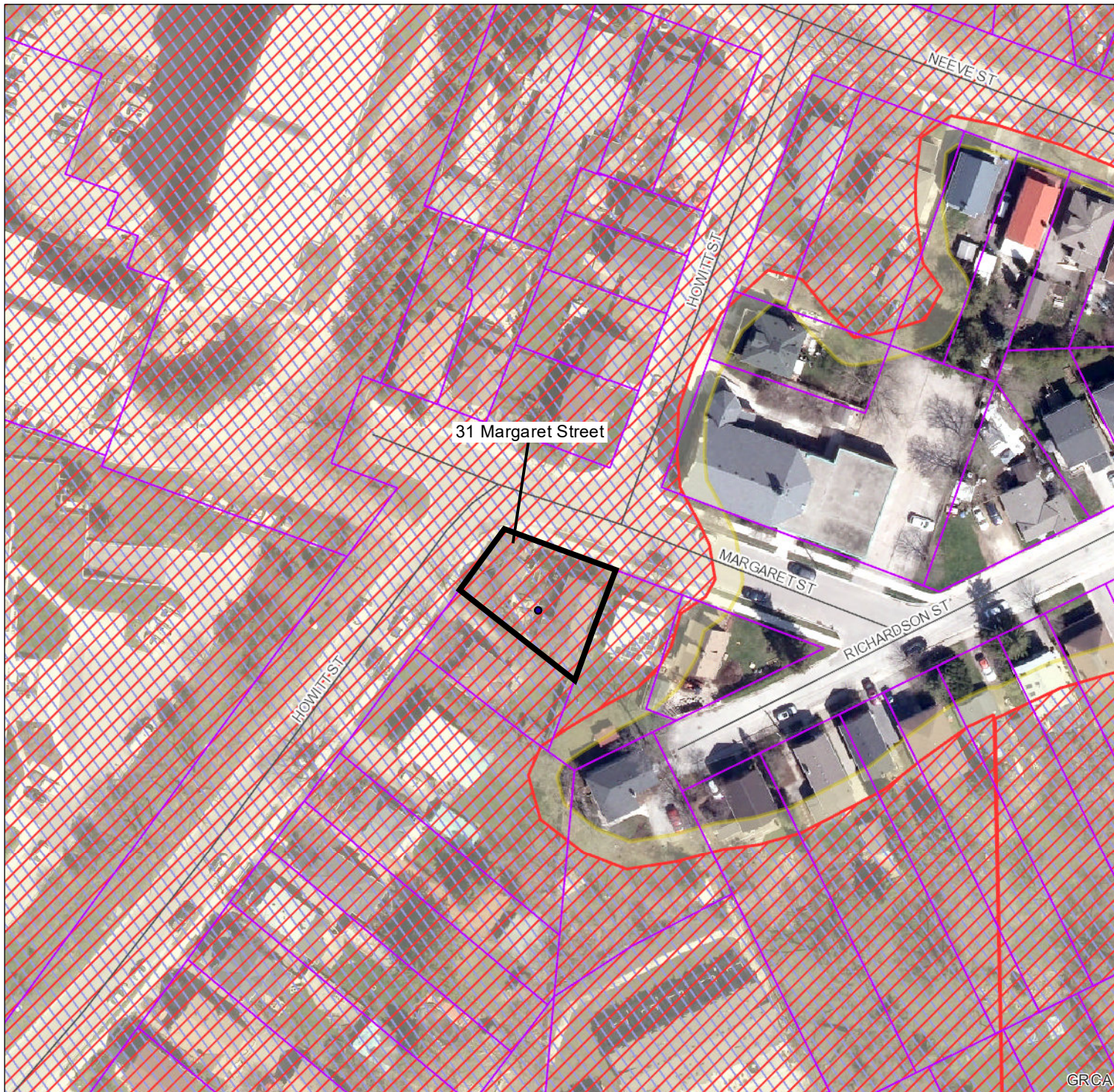
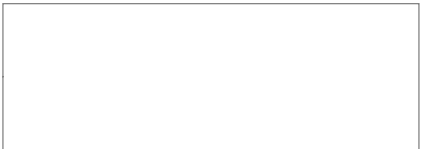


Andrew Herreman, CPT
Resource Planning Technician
Grand River Conservation Authority

Enclosed: GRCA Mapping

Copy: Justin Boire (via email)

Justin Kelly, Tri-City Drafting and Design Service (via email)



Legend

- Regulation Limit (GRCA)
- Regulated Watercourse (GRCA)
- Regulated Waterbody (GRCA)
- Wetland (GRCA)
- Floodplain (GRCA)
 - Engineered
 - Estimated
 - Approximate
 - Special Policy Area
- Slope Valley (GRCA)
 - Steep
 - Oversteep
 - Steep
- Slope Erosion (GRCA)
 - Oversteep
 - Toe
- Lake Erie Flood (GRCA)
- Lake Erie Shoreline Reach (GRCA)
- Lake Erie Dynamic Beach (GRCA)
- Lake Erie Erosion (GRCA)
- Parcel - Assessment (MPAC/MNRF)

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