

# Report to Development Permit Panel

To

Development Permit Panel

Date

June 6, 2005

From

Holger Burke

File

DV 05-290082

Acting Director of Development

Re

Application by 616764 B C Ltd for a Development Variance Permit at

13980 and 13988 Maycrest Way

#### Staff Recommendation

That a Development Variance Permit be issued for a proposed industrial development at 13980 and 13988 Maycrest Way to

- Reduce the public road setback and landscaping requirements for off-street parking spaces from 3 m (9 842 ft ) to 1 524 m (5 ft ) along Maycrest Way and No 6 Road, and
- Reduce the landscaping requirements from 3 m (9 842 ft) to 0 m (0 ft) along Highway 91, and
- Reduce the minimum road setback from 6 m (19 69 ft ) to 5 95 m (19 52 ft ) for a portion of 'Building A' along the property line abutting Highway 91

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#### Staff Report

#### Origin

Wayne Grafton, on behalf of 616764 B C Ltd, has applied to the City of Richmond for permission to vary the following at 13980 and 13988 Maycrest Way

- Reduce the public road setback and landscaping requirements for off-street parking spaces from 3 m (9 842 ft ) to 1 524 m (5 ft ) along Maycrest Way and No 6 Road, and
- 2 Reduce the landscaping requirements from 3 m (9 842 ft) to 0 m (0 ft) along Highway 91, and
- 3 Reduce the minimum road setback from 6 m (19 69 ft ) to 5 95 m (19 52 ft ) for a portion of 'Building A' along the property line abutting Highway 91

#### **Development Information**

Please refer to the attached Development Applications Data Sheet (Attachment 1) for a comparison of the proposed development data with the relevant Bylaw requirements

#### Background

Development surrounding the subject site is as follows

To the north, existing light industrial buildings zoned Business Park Industrial (13),

To the east, a driving range zoned Golf Course District (AG2),

To the south, Highway 91 road right-of-way situated at a higher elevation (the actual paved portion of the highway is separated by a 30 m strip of open landscaping sloping up to the highway), and

To the west, a vacant Business Park Industrial (I3) parcel where a separate Development Variance Permit is being processed (13900 Maycrest Way, DV 05-295526)

#### **Staff Comments**

Staff do not have any objections or technical comments pertaining to the proposed variances at this time. The site is situated across from a driving range zoned Golf Course District (AG2) on the opposite side of No. 6 Road. Land on the east side of No. 6 Road is within the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). The existing industrial subdivision abutting No. 6 Road to the north was developed in the late 1980's with most sites implementing a comparable strip of landscaping along the road, which is similar to the perimeter landscaping proposed for this site. Based on the landscaping implemented on industrial developments to the north and landscaping proposed through this application, staff determined that adjacency issues related to proximity of the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) have been adequately addressed through the Development Variance Permit

The site is situated with three (3) public road frontages as defined in the City's Zoning and Development Bylaw 5300 (Maycrest Way, No 6 Road and Highway 91), which in part, accounts for the number of variances

Staff are processing a similar Development Variance Permit application to the west at 13900 Maycrest Way in conjunction with the building setbacks required from Highway 91

Staff also note that construction on this site is currently underway. The practice of proceeding with construction pending the outcome of a Development Variance Permit application is permissible given that no variances are attached to the building itself. Initially, the applicant was only aware of variances for parking and landscaping setback requirements. However, a subsequent survey of the foundation determined that a small corner portion projected 0.05 m (0.16 ft.) into the required Highway 91 road setback. As any adjustments to the foundation would potentially result in significant structural modifications, the applicant is requesting that the small corner projection for "Building A" (building situated at the corner) be included as a variance

#### **Analysis**

#### Conditions of Adjacency

- Due to the surrounding public roads, the site is required to provide setbacks and landscaping for off-street parking. To deal with the adjacency along No. 6 Road and Maycrest Way, landscaping is proposed around the road frontages. There is also an existing landscaped boulevard between the road right-of-way and property line, where larger calliper trees are to be located. The combination of plantings on the subject site and treed boulevard extending into the road right-of-way provides a strong green feature to the site and adequate screening for off-street parking.
- The Highway 91 road right-of-way is situated at a higher elevation along the south of the site. An existing sloped landscaped buffer (mostly field grass) exists between the subject site's south property line and edge of the paved highway. The buffer is approximately 30 m (98 ft) in width and is part of the drainage system for the highway. Therefore, a sufficient existing buffer exists to require no landscaping along the south edge of the site abutting Highway 91.

#### Urban Design and Site Planning

- The site plan places parking around the perimeter of the site and between the two (2) existing buildings with drive aisles positioned to provide access
- The form and character of the two (2) buildings is typical of multi-tenant light industrial buildings (tilt-up painted concrete walls, glazing, pre-finished metal flashing)

#### Landscape Design and Open Space Design

- All landscaping is situated along the Maycrest Way and No 6 Road frontage Smaller shrubs and groundcovers are located on the subject site as an existing servicing right-of-way (sanitary sewer) exists around the perimeter of the site preventing the planting of larger street trees. As a result, larger calliper street trees (7 cm Red Maples) are proposed within the City boulevard in conjunction with sodded lawn running up to the edge of the existing sidewalk.
- When the industrial subdivision was initially developed, frontage upgrades consisted of concrete curbs and sidewalks with no provisions for grass and treed boulevards separating the sidewalk from the road. The existing public road frontage for the subject site and surrounding industrial development consists of this standard. The street trees situated in between the property line and existing sidewalk help to provide a 'greener' adjacency in relation to the road and sidewalk.
- All off-site street trees (size, species and location) planted within the City boulevard will be to the satisfaction of the City of Richmond's Parks Department

#### Conclusions

The proposed variances to reduce parking setbacks and related landscaping requirements are minor with additional landscaping being implemented along the perimeter of the property, providing sufficient buffering. A strip of open space exists along all three (3) road frontages between the sidewalk and property line, providing additional separation between the drive aisles and parking spaces. On this basis, staff recommend approval of the proposed variances

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A Landscaping Letter of Credit in the amount of \$20,074 is required prior to forwarding the Development Variance Permit to Council for issuance



## Development Application Data Sheet

**Development Applications Department** 

DV 05-290082	Attachment 1			
Address 1398	0 & 13988 Maycrest Way			
Applicant 616764 BC Ltd		Owner	616764 BC Ltd	
Planning Area(s)	East Cambie Area Plan			
Floor Area Gross	6.515 m <sup>2</sup>	Floor Area Net	6 515 m <sup>2</sup>	

	Existing	Proposed
Site Area	9,320 m²	No change
Land Uses	Zoned for Light Industry/Business Park	Light Industrial Building
OCP Designation (General Land Use Map)	Business and Industry	No change
⊾ Jt Cambie Area Plan	Industrial	No change – complies with designation
Zoning	13	No change

On Future Lots	Bylaw Requirement	Proposed	Variance
Floor Area Ratio	10	0 70	none permitted
Lot Coverage	Max 50%	45 4%	None
Road Setback – Maycrest Way	Mın 6 m	6 m	None
Road Setback - No 6 Road	Mın 6 m	14 8 m	None
Road Setback – Highway 91	Mın 6 m	5 95 m	Reduce by 0 05m for portion of 'Building A'
Off-Street Parking and Landscaping Setback (No 6 Road & Maycrest Way)	Min 3 m	1 524 m	Reduce by 1 476m



### **Development Variance Permit**

No DV 05-290082

To the Holder

616764 B C LTD

Property Address

13980 AND13988 MAYCREST WAY

Address

C/O WAYNE GRAFTON 13466 VERDUN PLACE

RICHMOND, BC V6V 1V2

- 1 This Development Variance Permit is issued subject to compliance with all of the Bylaws of the City applicable thereto, except as specifically varied by this Permit
- 2 This Development Variance Permit applies to and only to those lands shown cross-hatched on the attached Schedule "A" and any and all buildings, structures and other development thereon
- 3 The "Richmond Zoning and Development Bylaw No 5300" is hereby varied as follows
  - a) Reduce the public road setback and landscaping requirements for off-street parking spaces from 3 m (9 842 ft) to 1 524 m (5 ft) along Maycrest Way and No 6 Road as shown on Plan #1 attached hereto,
  - b) Reduce the landscaping requirements from 3 m (9 842 ft ) to 0 m (0 ft ) along Highway 91 as shown on Plan #1 attached hereto, and
  - c) Reduce the minimum road setback from 6 m (19 69 ft ) to 5 95 m (19 52 ft ) for a portion of 'Building A' along the property line abutting Highway 91 as shown on Plan #1 attached hereto
- 4 Landscaping shall be implemented according to Plan #2 attached hereto
- As a condition of the issuance of this Permit, the City is holding the security in the amount of \$20,074 to ensure that development is carried out in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Permit. Should any interest be earned upon the security, it shall accrue to the Holder if the security is returned. The condition of the posting of the security is that should the Holder fail to carry out the development hereby authorized, according to the terms and conditions of this Permit within the time provided, the City may use the security to carry out the work by its servants, agents or contractors, and any surplus shall be paid over to the Holder. Should the Holder carry out the development permitted by this permit within the time set out herein, the security shall be returned to the Holder. The City may retain the security for up to one year after inspection of the completed landscaping in order to ensure that plant material has survived.

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- The land described herein shall be developed generally in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this Permit and any plans and specifications attached to this Permit which shall form a part hereof
- 7 If the Holder does not commence the construction permitted by this Permit within 24 months of the date of this Permit, this Permit shall lapse

This Permit is not a Building Permit

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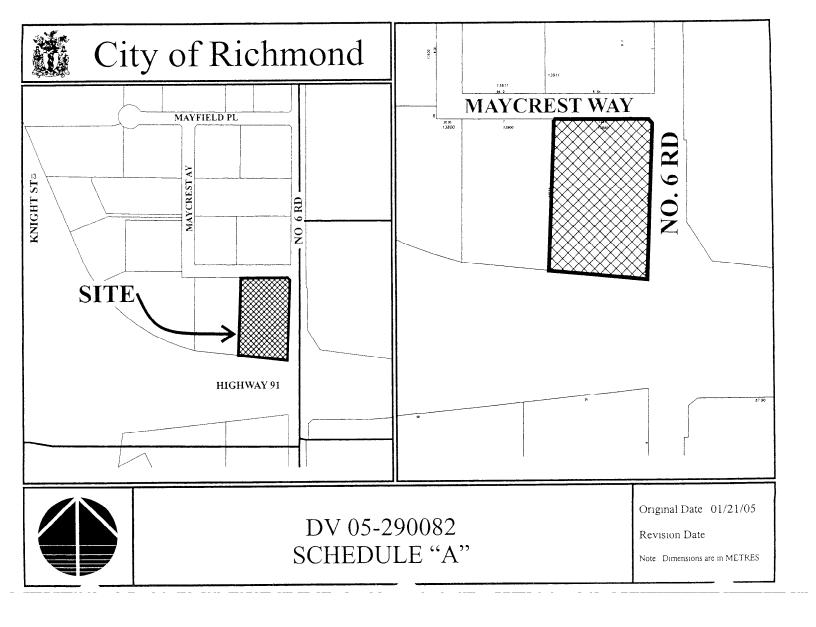
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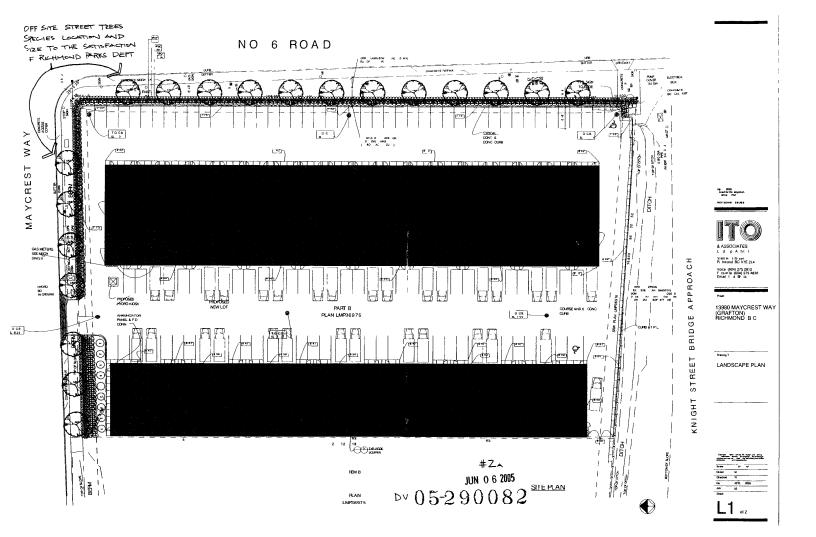
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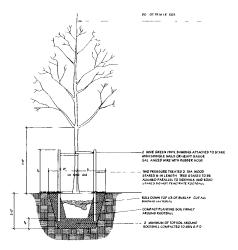
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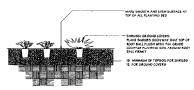
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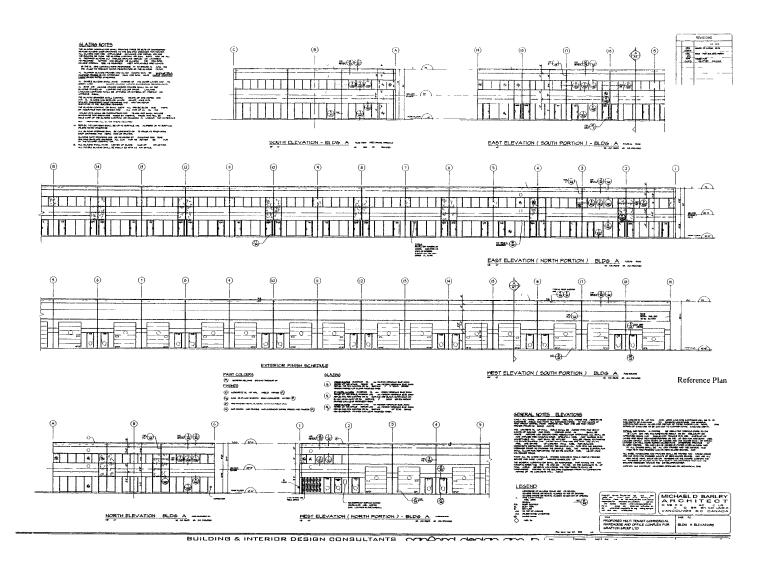
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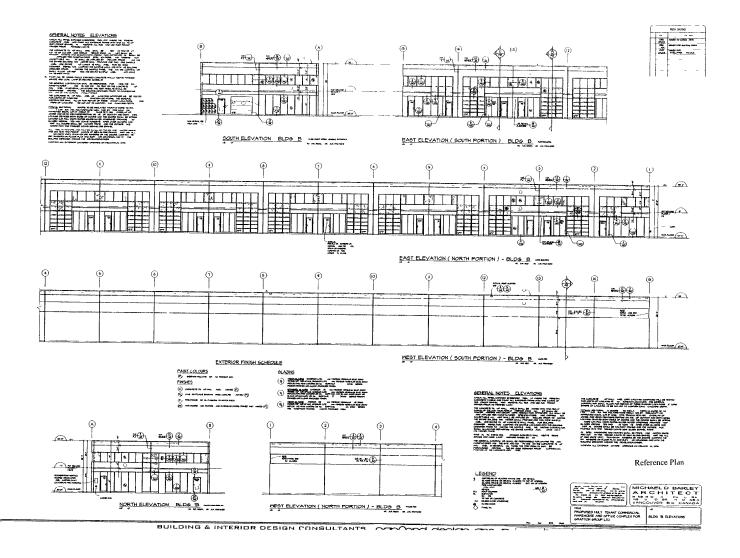
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