

# Report to Development Permit Panel

To:

**Development Permit Panel** 

Date:

July 25, 2002

From:

Joe Erceg

File:

DV 02-207969

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Manager, Development Applications

Re:

Application by Tom & Des Morrow for a Development Variance Permit at

11591 Sealord Road

# Manager's Recommendation

That a Development Variance Permit be issued that would vary the front yard setback from 6m (19.685 ft) to 4.328m (14.20 ft) and the residential vertical envelope (lot depth) or maximum height in order to permit the construction of a new single-storey two-car garage at 11591 Sealord Road.

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Manager, Development Applications

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## **Staff Report**

# Origin

The subject site is located on the north side of Sealord Road between Seacote Road and Seabay Road and is zoned Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area E (R1E). The owners plan to add an attached two-car garage to the front of their house. To accomplish this, a development variance is required to reduce the front yard setback from 6m (19.685 ft) to 4.328m (14.20 ft) for the proposed garage only. In addition, a variance to the front Residential Vertical Envelope is also requested.

A copy of the development application, filed with the Urban Development Division, is appended to this report.

## **Findings of Fact**

The subject property is a 686.841 m<sup>2</sup> (7,393.34 ft<sup>2</sup>) lot which currently has a single wide carport and driveway on the west side of the site. The surrounding neighbourhood consists of single-family residential homes zoned Single-Family Housing District, Subdivision Area E (R1/E). The majority of the homes in the area were originally built in the early 1970's.

#### **Staff Comments**

Zoning staff commented that an additional variance would be required for the front Residential Vertical Envelope (lot depth). By reducing the front setback, the new double garage will encroach into the Residential Vertical Envelope.

Transportation staff commented that the applicants will be required to remove the old driveway, as the bylaw only permits one driveway if the frontage is less than 25 metres. In addition, the applicants should ensure no public utilities (i.e. street lights, fire hydrants etc.) will be affected by the proposed driveway. Staff have confirmed that there are no conflicts with street lights or fire hydrants.

Development Applications staff commented that this is a reasonable and well presented request. The existing driveway should be removed and staff suggest that the existing Japanese Maple tree be relocated to the area of the old driveway on the boulevard. The site plan should be revised to reflect the above changes. *The applicants have provided a revised site plan*.

## **Analysis**

The applicants wish to construct a two-car garage and a double wide driveway so that they have adequate space to park the four vehicles in their family. They have a 19 year old daughter and a grandparent that drive their own vehicles. The existing single carport and driveway designed and built 30 years ago is unable to provide the family with the functionality and safety that they require.

The applicants have experienced vandalism when they have left their cars parked on the street. They also feel that when their vehicles and the neighbour's vehicles are parked on both sides of the roadway, very little room is left for through-traffic, which creates a safety hazard.

The applicants originally thought they would maintain the existing driveway for additional parking, however, have agreed to remove the old driveway and transplant the existing Japanese Maple tree into this area, including planting grass.

The applicants have approached their neighbours on both sides as well as across the street. They have unanimously encouraged the applicants to proceed with their proposal and have shown their support by signing letters of acknowledgement.

The proposed double-wide concrete driveway will be 9.45m (31.0 ft) long, measured from the face of the proposed garage to the existing curb at the street. There is no sidewalk along the applicant's frontage, therefore there is plenty of space for two cars to park in the driveway without overhanging the roadway.

The proposed garage has been designed with a gable roof to match the house. By reducing the front yard setback from 6m (19.685 ft) to 4.328m (14.20 ft), the proposed garage encroaches into the Residential Vertical Envelope, which the applicants wish to vary as well.

Staff agree that this is a reasonable request and feel the applicants have put a lot of thought and careful planning into their proposal. With the support of their neighbours, staff feel that the proposed garage and driveway will enhance the appearance of the house and neighbourhood, as well as provide needed parking space for the family vehicles.

#### **Conclusions**

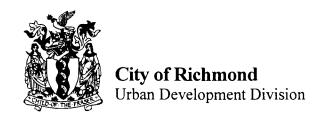
Staff support the variances as requested.

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Engineering Assistant - Development & Processing

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# **Development Variance Permit**

No. DV 02-207969

To the Holder:

TOM & DES MORROW

Property Address:

11591 SEALORD ROAD

Address:

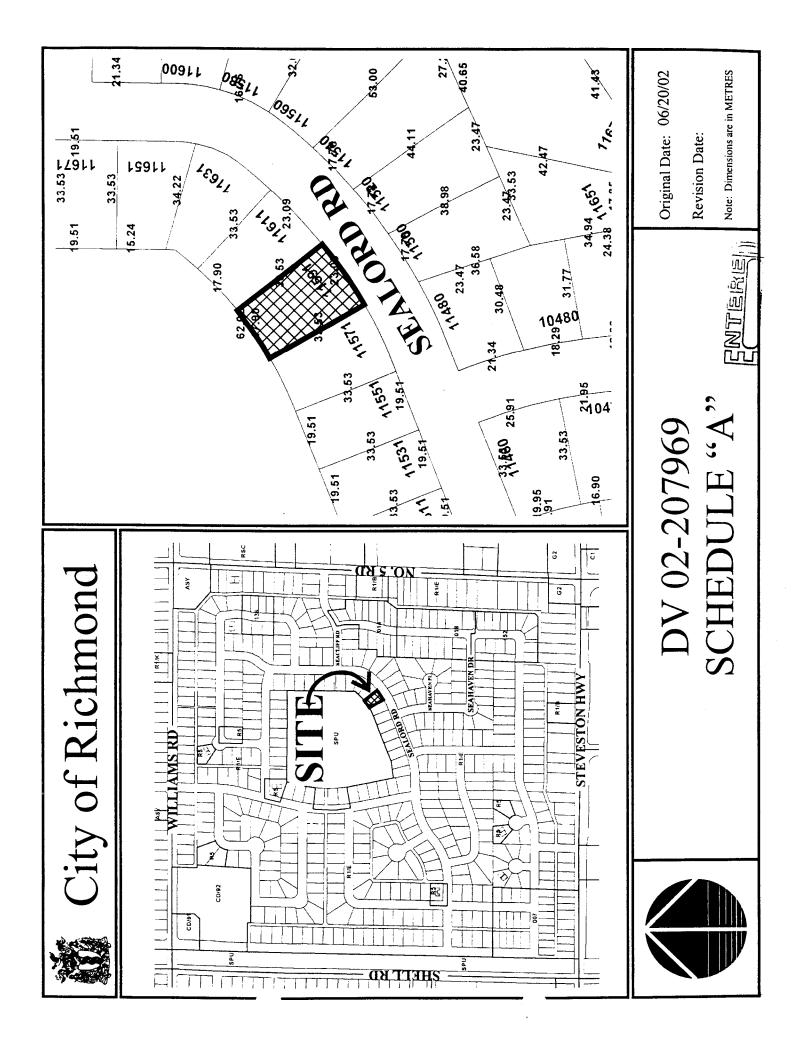
11591 SEALORD ROAD, RICHMOND, B.C. V7A 3K9

- 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) The dimension and siting of buildings and structures on the land shall be as shown on Plan #1 attached hereto.
  - b) The front and side elevations shall be as shown on Plan #2 attached hereto.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 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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DELIVERED THIS	DAY OF	,	

MAYOR





# **Development Application Development Applications Department**

(604) 276-4017 Fax (604) 276-4052

Please submit this completed form to the Zoning counter located at City Hall. All materials submitted to the City with a *Development Application* become public property, and therefore, available for public inquiry.

Please refer to the attached requirements for details on the non-refundable application fees and application attachments.

Type of Application: DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE FERMIT
Property Address(es): 11591 SEALORD ROAD, RICHMOND, BC VZA 3K9
Legal Description(s): LOT 118 SECTION 36 BLOCK 4
NORTH RANGE 6 WEST N.W.D. PLAN 31365
Applicant: HOME OWNERS & TOM & DES MORROW
Correspondence/Calls to be directed to:
Name: TOM & DES MORROW
Address: 11591 SEALORD ROAD RICHMOND, BC, V7A 3K9
Tel. No.: DES : 604-802-5709 (07)  Business  TOM: 604-727-9041  E-mail  Postal Code 604-274-0898  Residence  morrow@ Pacific coast. re
Property Owner(s) Signature(s):  Tom Morrow  Please print name
or
Authorized Agent's Signature:  Attach Letter of Authorization
Please print name
For Office Use
Date Received: <u>Tune 12, 2002</u> Application Fee: <u>#\$25.00</u>
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