

Report to **Development Permit Panel**

To:

Development Permit Panel

Date:

October 8, 2003

From:

Joe Erceg

File:

DV 03-245222

Manager, Development Applications

Re:

Application by Haakon Industries Ltd. for a Development Variance Permit at

11100 River Road

Manager's Recommendation

That a Development Variance Permit be issued that would vary the maximum lot coverage from 50% to 53.45% in order to permit a temporary storage shed that has been constructed at 11100 River Road.

Joe Erceg

Manager, Development Applications

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Staff Report

Origin

Haakon Industries Ltd. has applied to the City of Richmond for permission to vary the maximum lot coverage from 50% to 53.45% for a temporary storage shed that has already been constructed at the northwest corner of the existing building located at 11100 River Road. Zoning for the subject site is Business Park Industrial District (I3).

A copy of the Development Variance Permit application filed with the Urban Development Division is appended to this report along with related site plan and building drawings.

Development Information

Site Area: $3851.20 \text{ m}^2 (41454 \text{ ft}^2)$

Building Area: $2058.36 \text{ m}^2 (22156 \text{ ft}^2)$

Floor Area Ratio: Allowed -1.0

Proposed -0.535Existing -0.535

Site Coverage: Allowed – 50%

Proposed – 53.45% Existing – 53.45%

Findings of Fact

The existing building at 11100 River Road has a completed temporary storage shed constructed on the northwest corner of the existing building. Industrial uses at the subject property relate to sheet metal fabrication for the manufacturing of ventilation and air conditioning systems. The temporary storage shed is made of painted steel wall panels with access provided to the structure by a sliding panel door. No part of the internal shed area is visible from the outside.

The north property line of the subject property at 11100 River Road abuts an Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA), which runs along River Road and extends out along the dyke and adjacent waterfront.

Staff Comments

Staff notes that the temporary storage shed has already been constructed on the subject property. The applicant has applied for a Development Variance Permit to address the additional structure and vary the maximum lot coverage in the Business Park Industrial District (I3) zoning accordingly. The applicant indicates that the shed is 'temporary' only from a structural perspective and can be removed from the permanent existing building if required by the City. However, so long as the company remains in operation on the subject site, the shed will be maintained as a permanent structure. Application for an appropriate Building Permit is awaiting the outcome of the Development Variance application. The applicant was requested to pay an additional \$1500.00 (\$3000.00 total) Development Variance fee for constructing the temporary shed without the appropriate permits.

As the north property line of the subject site abuts an Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA), the applicant submitted plans for the existing site landscaping. A majority of the landscaping is located at the north portion of the subject site and consists of two (2) large mature trees planted along a grass strip running east-west across the property. Some small shrubbery is also planted around the base of these two (2) trees and extends south, down the east property line. Landscaping is also evident on the north and west frontages of the existing building, which is the portion of the site most visible from the street and adjacent Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA).

Analysis

The applicant is requesting to vary the maximum lot coverage from 50% to 53.45% at 11100 River Road, which is zoned Business Park Industrial District (I3). A Building Permit application is required and is dependent on the final outcome of the Development Variance application. The proposed maximum allowable lot coverage of 53.45% would potentially allow for an additional 132.87 m² (1430.16 ft²) of building area on the site. Although the area of the temporary shed is approximately 141 m² (1524 ft²), total building area (includes existing building and additional storage shed area) and lot coverage are within limits stipulated in the requested variance. As a condition of approval for the Development Variance Permit, an additional \$1500.00 fee was requested by Development Applications staff. The applicant has verbally agreed to this additional fee, however no payment has been received as of October 8th, 2003.

Although the storage shed has already been constructed, the requested variance is reasonable given that the structure is consistent with both the existing building and industrial buildings in the surrounding area. Landscaping at the north portion of the subject site that is adjacent to the Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) is in good condition. Neither the existing landscaping nor adjacent Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) is negatively impacted by the storage shed at the northwest corner of the existing building.

Conclusions

Staff supports the Development Variance Permit application as requested. Staff also recommend that payment of an additional \$1500.00 be a required condition prior to approval of the Development Variance application.

Kevin Eng

Planning Technician – Design (604) 276-4000 (Local 3205)

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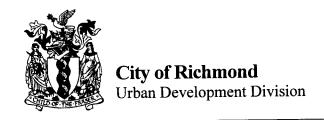
Development Application Development Applications Department

(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: Developement Variance Permit Application				
Property Address(es): 11100 River Road, Richmond				
Legal Description(s): Lot 3 of Block 1 Section 24 Block 5 North Range 6 West Plan 1539 N. W. District				
Applicant: Haakon Industries Ltd.				
Correspondence/Calls to be directed to:				
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Authorized Agent's Signature: Attach Letter of Authorization				
Please print name				
For Office Use				
Date Received: Application Fee: 1500				
File No.: U3-045 22 Receipt No.: 3-003+11				



Development Variance Permit

No. DV 03-245222

To the Holder:

HAAKON INDUSTRIES LTD.

Property Address:

11100 RIVER ROAD

Address:

C/O DAVE VIS

11851 DYKE ROAD

RICHMOND, BC V7A 4X8

- 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 by increasing the maximum lot coverage in Business Park Industrial District (I3) from 50% to 53.45%, as shown on Plans # 1-3 attached hereto for a temporary storage shed that has already been constructed on the subject site.
- 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			

