

REPORT

REPORT TO: Chair and Members of the Community and Corporate Affairs

REPORT FROM: Susie Spry, Acting Supervisor of Enforcement Services

DATE: April 15, 2019

REPORT NO.: ADMIN-2019-0015

RE: Request from Robert Vandervecht for a variance to the Fence By-law 2002-0060, as amended at 115 Church Street East, (Acton) Town of Halton Hills

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Report No. ADMIN-2019-0015 regarding a request from Robert Vandervecht for a variance to the Fence By-law 2002-0060, as amended at 115 Church Street East, Town of Halton Hills be received;

AND FURTHER THAT the fence variance contained in Report No. ADMIN-2019-0015;

a) be granted to Robert Vandervecht, 115 Church Street East, as requested;

OR

b) be granted to Robert Vandervecht, 115 Church Street East, with conditions as set out in the decision of the Community and Corporate Affairs Committee;

OR

c) not be granted to Robert Vandervecht, 115 Church Street East.

BACKGROUND:

The municipality has enacted legislation that controls the height of fences within the municipality, under the authority of the *Municipal Act, 2001*. Robert Vandervecht, property owner of 115 Church Street East, is seeking relief from the by-law which restricts the height of a fence in the rear yard to not exceed 2.13 metres (7 feet) in height. The owner proposes a 2.74 metres (9 foot) wood privacy fence along the rear lot line of the property.

COMMENTS:

A map indicating the location of the subject property is attached.
The variance is described in the following table:

By-law Requirement	Variance Requested	Reason for Variance
The maximum height of a fence in the rear yard is 2.13 metres (7 feet) in height.	To permit a fence in the rear yard of 2.74 metres (9 feet) in height above effective grade.	To minimize the impact of noise and light from cars and signage from the commercial property directly behind the applicant's home.

RELATIONSHIP TO STRATEGIC PLAN:

This report is operational in nature and has no direct link to the Strategic Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no financial impact associated to this report.

CONSULTATION:

The applicant was consulted in preparation of this report.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT:

Public engagement is not applicable in this matter.

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS:

The Town is committed to implementing our Community Sustainability Strategy, Imagine Halton Hills. Doing so will lead to a higher quality of life.

The recommendation outlined in this report is not applicable to the Strategy's implementation.

COMMUNICATIONS:

The applicant has been informed of the Community and Corporate Affairs Committee's meeting, date, time and location and given access to a copy of the report prior to the day of the meeting. The applicant has been informed that the Committee's recommendation will be brought forward to Council for final recommendation. The applicant will be notified of Council's resolution in writing.

CONCLUSION:

The Town of Halton Hills By-law 2002-0060, as amended regulates fences. The maximum allowable height of a fence in a rear yard is 2.13 metres. The applicant is requesting to build a 2.74 metre (9 foot) wood privacy fence along the rear lot line.

Reviewed and Approved by,

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Suzanne Jones, Clerk & Director of Legislative Services

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Brent Marshall, Chief Administrative Officer