

# **Committee Report**

Date of Report:	September 9, 2021
Date & Type of Meeting:	September 22, 2021, Rural Affairs Committee Meeting
Author:	Stephanie Johnson, Planner
Subject:	DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT
File:	V2107J-07285.490-ROBERTS&KANIGAN-DVP000213
Electoral Area/Municipality:	J

## **SECTION 1: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report seeks the Board's consideration of a Development Variance Permit (DVP) application to reduce the interior side lot line setback regulation from 2.5 metres to 1.2 metres to construct an accessory structure at 729 Prairie South Road in Ootischenia, Electoral Area 'J'.

An existing residence with an attached two vehicle garage currently occupies the subject property.

Staff recommend that the Board approve the issuance of this DVP.

## SECTION 2: BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

GENERAL INFORMATION			
Property Owners:	Dayna Kanigan and Matthew Roberts		
Property Location:	729 Prairie South Road, Ootischenia, Electoral Area 'J'		
Legal Description:	LOT 19, PLAN EPP44977, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT		
	(PID: 029-557-216)		
Property Size:	0.2 hectares (ha)		
Zoning Designation:	Ootischenia Suburban Residential (R1A)		
OCP Designation:	Suburban Residential One (SR1)		

ORIENTATION	ZONING	LAND USE	
North	Ootischenia Suburban Residential (R1A)	Single family residential uses	
East	Ootischenia Suburban Residential (R1A)	Single family residential uses and Prairie South Road	
South	Ootischenia Suburban Residential (R1A)	Single family residential uses	
West	Ootischenia Suburban Residential (R1A) Undeveloped, treed lands		

#### Site Context

The subject property is 0.2 ha in size, and is designated Suburban Residential One (SR1) under *Electoral Area 'J'* Official Community Plan No. 1157, 1996 and zoned Ootischenia Suburban Residential (R1A) under Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004. An existing residence with an attached two vehicle garage currently occupies the site. The subject property is accessed from Prairie South Road and lies within an existing



suburban residential subdivision. The property is bounded by residential uses to the north, south and east, and undeveloped lands zoned suburban residential (R1A) to the west.

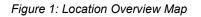




Figure 2: Zoning Overview Map

## **Development Proposal**

This DVP application seeks to vary Section 605.1 of *RDCK Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004*. The applicant is requesting to reduce the interior side (northern) setback from 2.5 metres to 1.2 metres (to the roof overhang) to permit the construction of a 17 m<sup>2</sup> in size accessory "shed" structure.

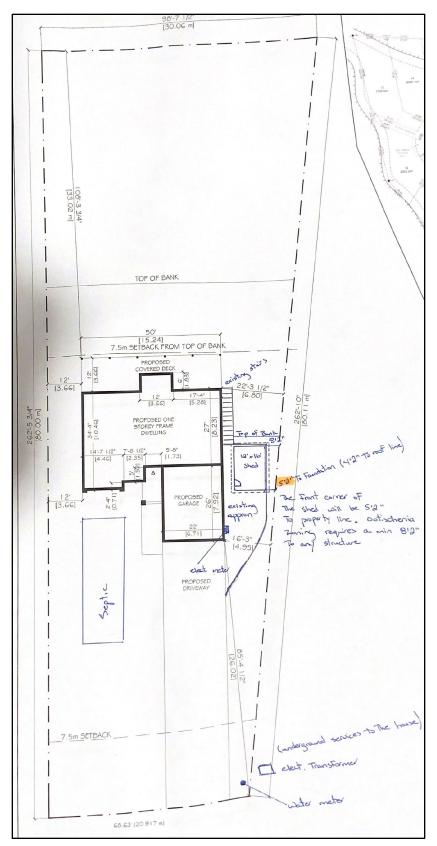


Figure 3: Site Plan

#### Kootenay-Columbia Rivers Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1157, 1996

Relevant Policies - Zoning

Land use decisions for all zones shall be directed by the following criteria:

3.1.3.1 preservation of the rural nature of the area.

3.1.3.6 the desirability of securing reasonable privacy for residents.

Relevant Ootischenia Community Specific Policies

The Regional Board:

3.10.3.1.12 On land designated Ootischenia Suburban Residential as shown on Schedule 'B' the gross floor area of an accessory building or structure shall not exceed 150 square meters and the total gross floor area devoted to all accessory buildings and structures shall not exceed the cumulative gross floor area of all permitted dwellings.

SECTION 3: DETAILED ANALYSIS					
3.1 Financial Considerations – Cost and Resource Allocations:					
Included in Financial Plan:	Yes	🖂 No	Financial Plan Amendment: Yes X No		
Debt Bylaw Required:	Yes	🖂 No	Public/Gov't Approvals Required: Yes No		
The \$500.00 fee for a DV/P application	was naid	nurcuant to	PDCK Dianning Drocoduros and Eaos Pulaw No. 2457		

The \$500.00 fee for a DVP application was paid pursuant to *RDCK Planning Procedures and Fees Bylaw No. 2457, 2015.* 

#### 3.2 Legislative Considerations (Applicable Policies and/or Bylaws):

Under Section 498 of the *Local Government Act (LGA)*, the Board has the authority to vary provisions of a Zoning Bylaw (other than use or density) through a DVP.

#### **3.3 Environmental Considerations**

No environmental impacts are anticipated on this developed site.

#### **3.4 Social Considerations:**

No social impacts are anticipated stemming from this DVP proposal.

#### **3.5 Economic Considerations:**

No economic considerations are anticipated from this DVP application.

#### **3.6 Communication Considerations:**

In accordance with the *LGA* and the RDCK's *Planning Procedures and Fees Bylaw No. 2457, 2015* a sign describing the proposal was posted on the subject property, and notices were mailed to surrounding neighbours within a 100 metre radius of the subject property on July 19, 2021. To date, no correspondence has been received in response to the above notification and or notice sign posted.

Planning staff referred the application to all relevant government agencies, First Nations, internal RDCK departments and the Director for Electoral Area 'J' for review. The following comments were received:

#### FortisBC Inc.

"There are FortisBC Inc. (Electric) ("FBC(E)") primary distribution facilities along Prairie South Road. All costs and land right requirements associated with changes to the existing servicing are the responsibility of the applicant.

For any changes to the existing service, the applicant must contact an FBC(E) designer as noted below for more details regarding design, servicing solutions, and land right requirements.

Otherwise, FBC(E) has no concerns with this circulation".

#### **RDCK Fire Department**

The Fire Chief outlined that the Department supports a variance *"that meets the existing code and fire separation requirements"*.

## Ootischenia Improvement District (OID)

"The [OID] Board has no comment".

## BC Hydro

"BC Hydro has no comments or objections with respect to the DVP as... no works or rights on the property or in the vicinity which would be affected by the proposal".

#### Interior Health

"A file review has been completed and we have no concerns from a planning perspective for the DVP".

## **3.7 Staffing/Departmental Workplace Considerations:**

Should the Board support the requested variance, staff would issue the Permit and register a Notice of Permit on the property's Title. A Building Permit would then be required for the construction of the building.

## **3.8 Board Strategic Plan/Priorities Considerations:**

This application falls under the operational role of Planning Services.

## SECTION 4: OPTIONS & PROS / CONS

Planning Discussion

Planning staff support the issuance of this DVP since:

- The proposal is consistent with the relevant suburban residential objectives and policies in *Kootenay-Columbia Rivers Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1157, 1996*, and all other zoning regulations included within the *RDCK's Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004*, including gross floor area and height.
- The size of the lot, slope at the rear of the property and the location of the existing single family dwelling and septic field reduce the siting options for an accessory building. The proposed shed meets all of the other setback requirements, is less than the maximum height (6 metres), is well below the permitted gross floor area (100 m<sup>2</sup>) regulations for accessory buildings, and is under the maximum site coverage (50%) requirements in the R1A Zone. Collectively, this helps to reduce the massing of the building to fit the form and character of the neighbourhood.

• No neighbourhood feedback in response to the development notice sign posted on the subject property and or notices mailed to adjacent property residents were received.

Accessory structures, such as this proposed shed, are relatively common in the side yards in this part of the neighbourhood, specifically on the west side of Prairie South Road due to the sloping nature of the rear yards.
Should the reduction in the interior side (northern) setback not be approved, the owners could construct an accessory structure 100 m<sup>2</sup> at the required 2.5 metre interior side setback, which arguably would have a more significant visual impact on the adjacent property.

It is for the above reasons that staff recommend that the Board proceed with the issuance of the DVP.

## Options

**Option 1:** That the Board APPROVE the issuance of Development Variance Permit V2107J-07285.490 to Dayna Kanigan and Matthew Roberts for the property located at 729 Prairie South Road and legally described LOT 19, PLAN EPP44977, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT (PID: 029-557-216) to vary Section 605.1 of *Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004* to reduce the interior (northern) side lot line as follows:

FROM 2.5 metres TO 1.2 metres to permit the construction of an accessory structure 17 m<sup>2</sup> in size.

**Option 2:** That the Board NOT APPROVE the issuance of Development Variance Permit V2107J- 07285.490 to Dayna Kanigan and Matthew Roberts for the property located at 729 Prairie South Road and legally described LOT 19, PLAN EPP44977, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND DISTRICT (PID: 029-557-216) to vary Section 605.1 of *Regional District of Central Kootenay Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004* to reduce the interior (northern) side lot line as follows:

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## **SECTION 5: RECOMMENDATION**

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Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Johnson

## CONCURRENCE

Planning Manager – Nelson Wight General Manager of Development and Community Sustainability – Sangita Sudan Chief Administrative Officer – Stuart Horn ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A – Draft Development Variance Permit Attachment B – Excerpt from *RDCK Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004* 



## REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY DEVELOPMENT VARIANCE PERMIT Planning File No. V2107J

Date:

Issued pursuant to Section 498 of the Local Government Act

TO: Dayna Mureen Kanigan & Matthew Arthur Roberts

## ADMINISTRATION

- 1. This Development Variance Permit (DVP) is issued subject to compliance with all of the bylaws of the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) applicable thereto, except as specifically varied or supplemented by this Permit.
- 2. The land described shall be developed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions and provisions of this DVP, and any plans and specifications attached to this Permit that shall form a part thereof.
- 3. This DVP is not a Building Permit.

## APPLICABILITY

4. This DVP applies to and only to those lands within the RDCK described below, and any and all buildings, structures and other development thereon, substantially in accordance with Schedules '1' and '2':

Address: 729 Prairie South Road Legal: LOT 19, PLAN EPP44977, DISTRICT LOT 4598, KOOTENAY LAND PID: 029-557-216

## CONDITIONS

5. Development Variance

Electoral Areas F, I, J, and K Zoning Bylaw No. 1675, 2004, Section 605 (1) is varied as follows:

- 1. The interior side (northern) setback from 2.5 metres to 1.2 metres.
- 2. Schedule

If the holder of the DVP does not substantially start any construction or does not register the subdivision with respect to which the permit was issued within two years after the date it is issued, the permit lapses. Authorized resolution \_\_\_\_\_ passed by the RDCK Board on the \_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2021.

The Corporate Seal of THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

Aimee Watson, Board Chair

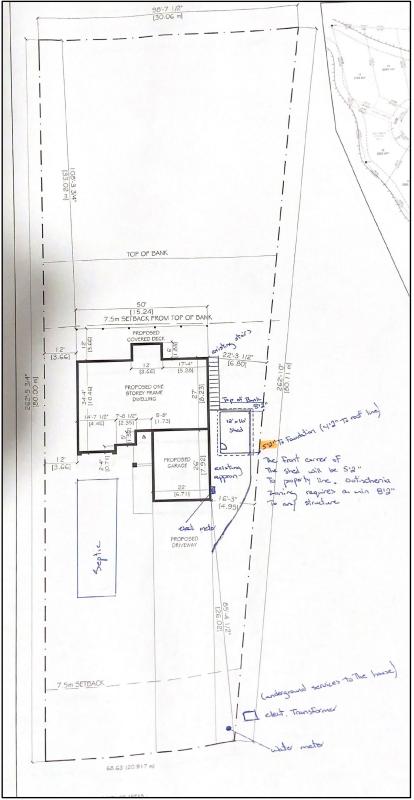
Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer



Schedule 1: Subject Property

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## Schedule 2: Site Plan



#### DIVISION 6 GENERAL REGULATIONS

## Setback Requirements

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1 Unless otherwise stated, no principal or accessory building or structure except a fence may be located within 7.5 metres of a front or exterior side lot line or within 2.5 metres of any other lot line.

#### DIVISION 8 OOTISCHENIA SUBURBAN RESIDENTIAL (R1A)

#### Permitted Uses

800 Land, buildings and structures in the Ootischenia Suburban Residential (R1A) zone shall be used for the following purposes only:

Dwellings: One-Family Two-Family Accessory Uses: Accessory Buildings and Structures Accessory Tourist Accommodation Home Based Business Horticulture Keeping of Farm Animals Sale of Site Grown Farm Products

#### **Development Regulations**

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1 The minimum site area for the following uses shall be required as follows:

	Community Water Supply Only	On-Site Servicing Only
One-Family Dwelling	0.2 hectare	1.0 hectare
Two-Family Dwelling	0.4 hectare	1.0 hectare

- 2 The maximum site coverage is 50 percent of the site area.
- 3 Buildings and structures shall not cover more than 33 percent of the site area.
- 4 The keeping of farm animals shall comply with the requirements of section 613 except that under all circumstances swine shall not be kept on any lot.
- 5 Farm animals and poultry shall be caged, fenced or housed at all times.
- 6 No principal building may exceed ten (10) metres in height.
- 7 The maximum height of any accessory building or structure shall not exceed 6 metres.
- 8 The maximum gross floor area of any accessory building or structure shall not exceed 100 square metres.
- 9 The cumulative gross floor area of all accessory buildings or structures shall no exceed 200 square metres.
- 10 Buildings and structures in the case of a lot that may be further subdivided shall be sited so as to facilitate the further subdivision of the lot or adjacent lots.

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- 11 Landscape screens or fences not exceeding a height of one (1) metre may be sited on any portion of a lot.
- 12 Fences not exceeding a height of two (2) metres may be sited to the rear of the front lot line setback or exterior side setback on a lot.