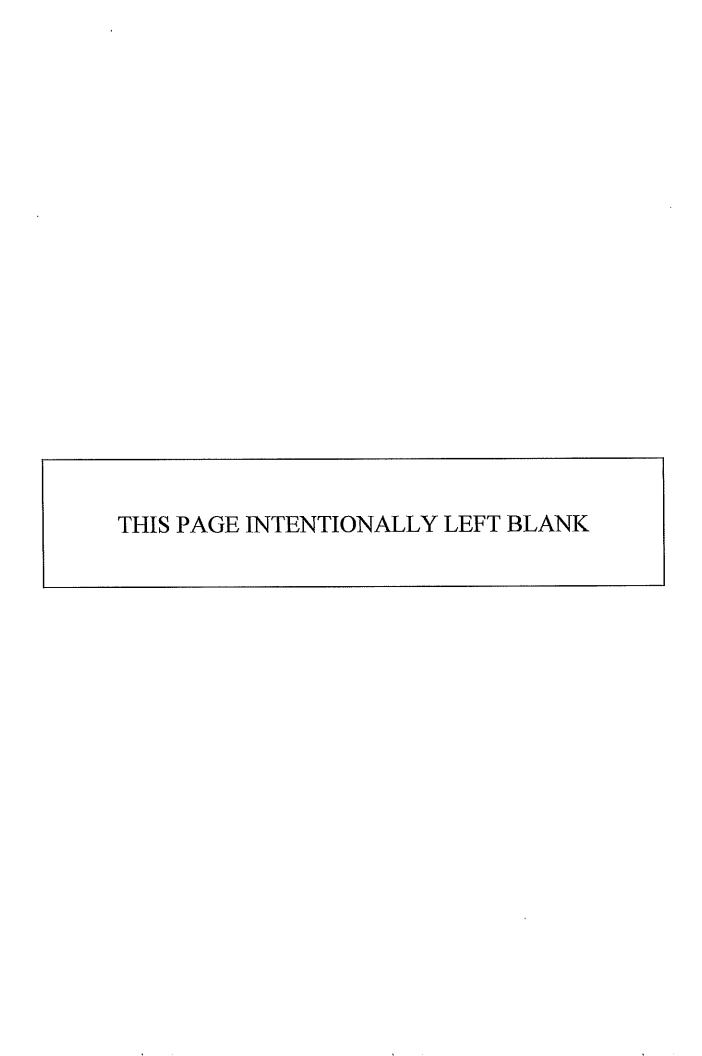


## **AGENDA**

City of Salmon Arm
Development and Planning Services
Committee

Monday, October 3, 2022 8:00 a.m. Council Chambers, City Hall 500 – 2 Avenue NE Salmon Arm, BC

Page #	Item #	Description
	1.	CALL TO ORDER
	2.	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY We acknowledge that we are gathering here on the traditional territory of the Secwepeme people, with whom we share these lands and where we live and work together.
	3.	REVIEW OF AGENDA
	4.	DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST
1 - 12	<b>5.</b> 1.	REPORTS  Development Variance Permit Application No. VP-561 [Weed, J. & Cockrill, E./Hindbo Construction; 2794 25 Street NE; Height requirements]
	6.	FOR INFORMATION
	7.	IN-CAMERA
	8.	ADIOURNMENT



# SALMONARM

TO:

His Worship Mayor Harrison and Members of Council

DATE:

September 27, 2022

SUBJECT:

Development Variance Permit Application No. VP - 561 (Height of Retaining Wall and

Fence and Principal Dwelling)

Legal: Lot 1, Section 24, Township 20, Range 10, W6M, KDYD, Plan EPP119501

Civic Address: 2794 25 Street NE

Owners: James Weed and Elaine Crockrill Agent: Hindbo Construction (Coady Hindbo)

#### **MOTION FOR CONSIDERATION**

THAT:

Development Variance Permit No. VP - 561 be authorized for issuance for Lot 1, Section 24, Township 20, Range 10, W6M, KDYD, Plan EPP119501 which will vary Zoning Bylaw No. 2303, as follows:

- Section 4.12.1 (a) Height of a combined retaining wall and fence from 2.0m to 6.9m and;
- ii) Section 6.5 increasing the height of a principal building from 10.0m to 10.8m.

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

The motion for consideration be adopted.

#### **PROPOSAL**

The applicant is proposing to vary the permitted height for a retaining wall and fence from 2.0m to 6.9m and the height of a single family dwelling from 10.0m to 10.8m. A site plan and drawings submitted in support of the application are enclosed as Appendices 1 and 2. The applicant has also submitted a letter of rationale in support of their application (Appendix 3).

### **BACKGROUND**

The subject property is approximately 1920m² in area and is currently vacant (Appendices 4). The property is designated Residential Low Density in the Official Community Plan (OCP) and is zoned R1 – Single Family Residential within Zoning Bylaw No. 2303 (Appendices 5 and 6).

In August 2022, a Development Variance Permit to reduce servicing was issued by Council (VP No. 542). The servicing variance reduced the off-site frontage works for the adjacent lot and the owners made a cash-in-lieu payment for frontage works along the subject property frontage. The issuance of the variance permit allowed the two lot subdivision to proceed.

Adjacent land uses include the following:

North: single family residence/R1 South: single family residence/R1

East: single family residence and single family residence with suite/R1 & R8

West: single family residence/R1 (Single Family Residential)

#### COMMENTS

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Engineering Department No concerns.

Building Department No concerns.

Fire Department No concerns.

#### Planning Department

Development Variance Permits are considered on a case-by-case basis and in doing so a number of factors are taken into consideration when reviewing a request. These factors include site specific conditions such as lot configuration, negative impact to general form and character of the surrounding neighbourhood and negative impact(s) on adjacent properties.

Staff note that the impact of the variances would affect the development of the adjacent property to the south, which presently is under the same ownership as the subject property. From the street perspective (25 Street NE), the roof would be visible from the street; however, given the topography of the lot the proposed house and retaining walls would be located below the grade of the existing road (25 Street NE).

As shown in Appendix 1, the subject property is affected by steep slopes. The location of the proposed retaining wall and fence would affect the adjacent lot to the south. The impact of the proposed retaining wall and fence height are mitigated by the heavily treed area between the building area of the proposed house and the existing house on the south parcel, as well as, the topography of the lots. Staff do not see potential negative impacts along that section of the shared property lines. Staff note that the Zoning Bylaw governs the overall height of retaining walls but exempts the location of retaining walls in relation to the property line. To ensure that the wall can be maintained into the future, staff have asked that the applicant consider an easement over the adjacent property so that it may be constructed and accessed via adjacent lot without trespass. Given the height of the proposed retaining wall a Building Permit would be required prior to construction.

With regard to the proposed principal building height variance, staff are supportive of the request as the proposed building is located on lot with challenging topography. The definition of building height in the Zoning Bylaw is the average original grade of the building to the peak of the building. In areas with steeper slopes it is common for buildings to be designed with one storey on one side of the building and two to three storeys (walkout basement) on the opposite side in order to be "built into" the slope. The proposed building is an example of this design. Given that the proposed building at the street side will be mostly below the road level and the proposed building is not taller than an average principal building on flat land, the impact of the overall height would be minimal.

Should Council not support the variance request the applicant would have to redesign the retaining wall, terracing the wall to ensure each section of the wall is below the required height and redesign the house to adjust the roof pitch or wall heights.

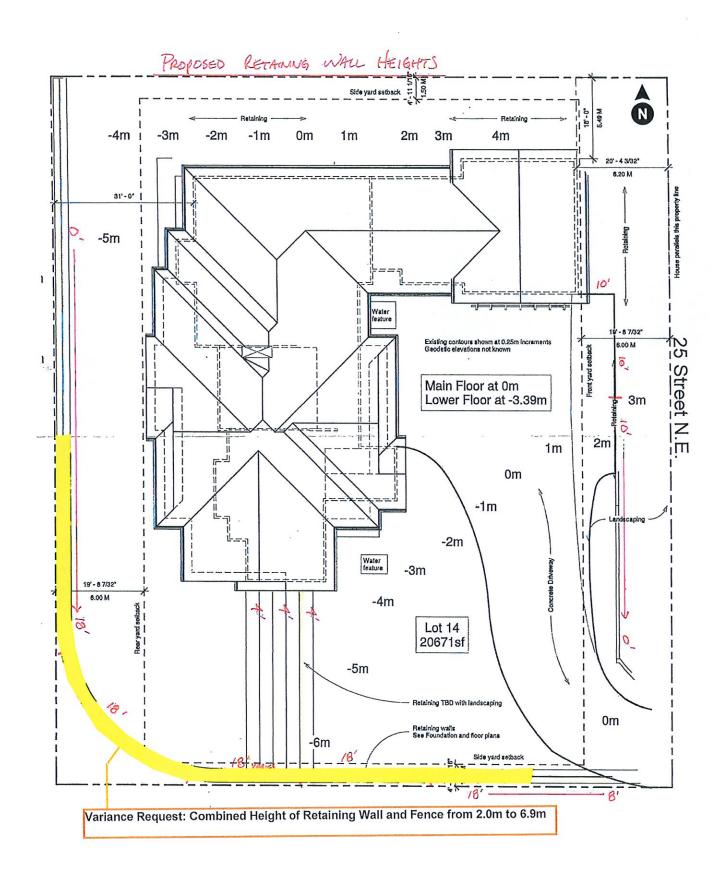
Staff have no concerns with the variance requests and support the issuance of the Development Variance Permit.

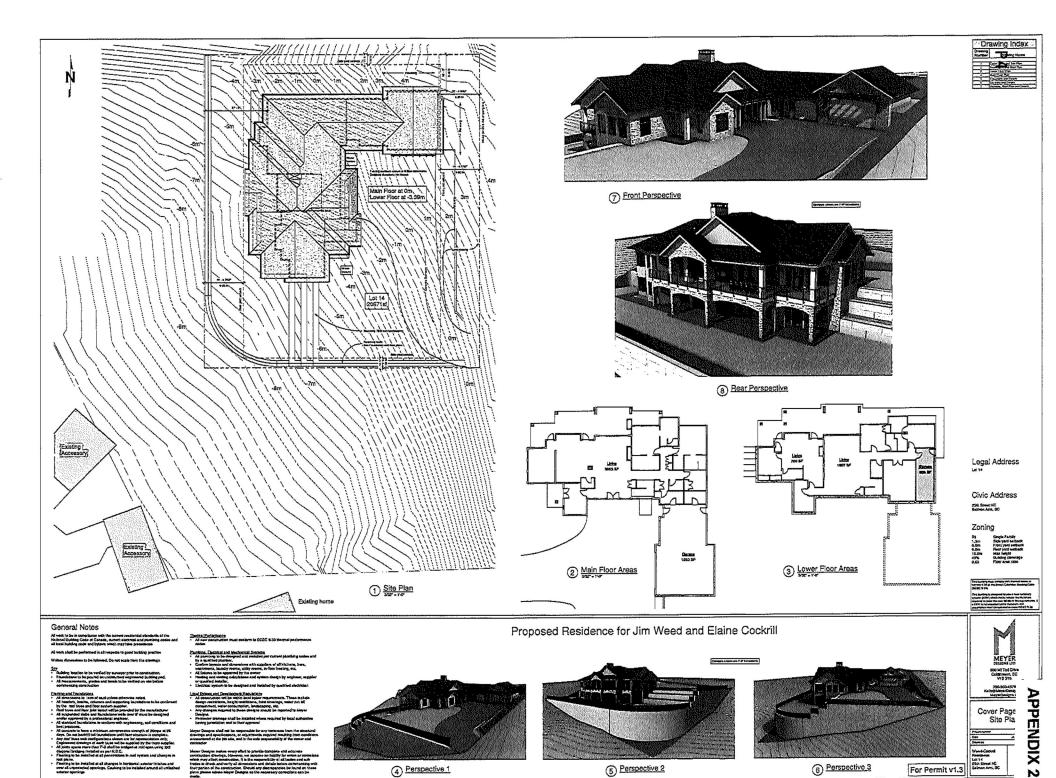
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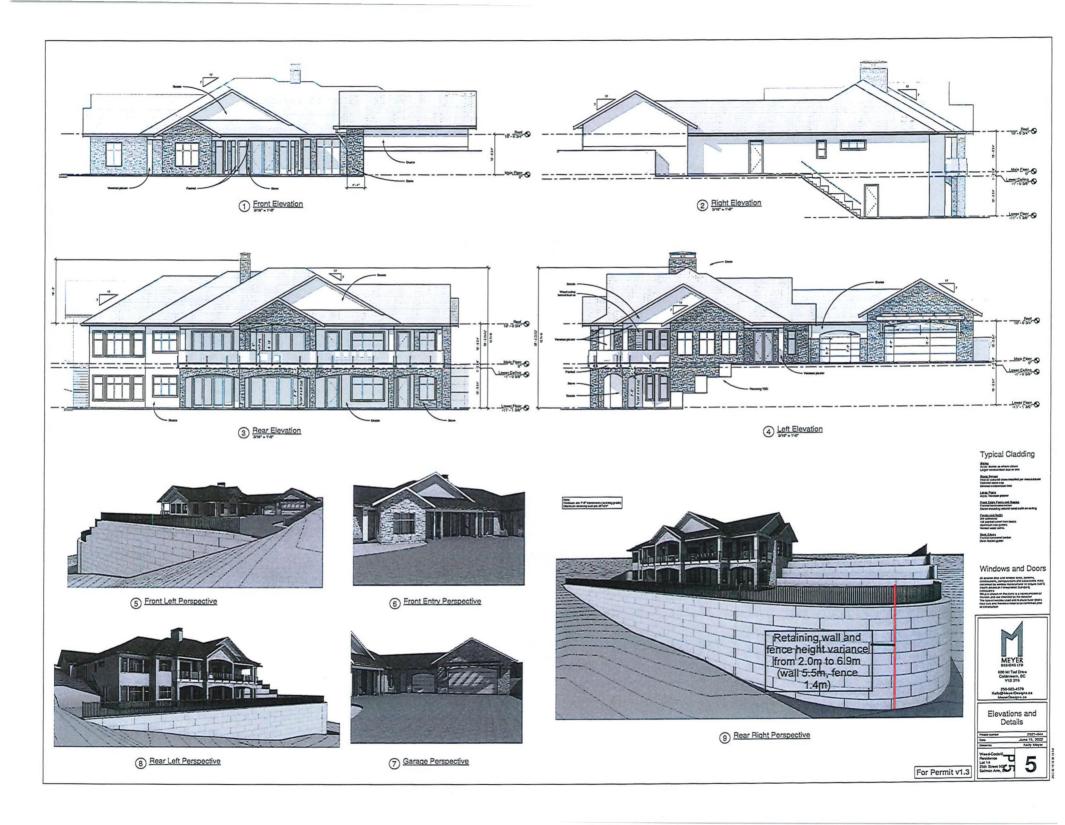
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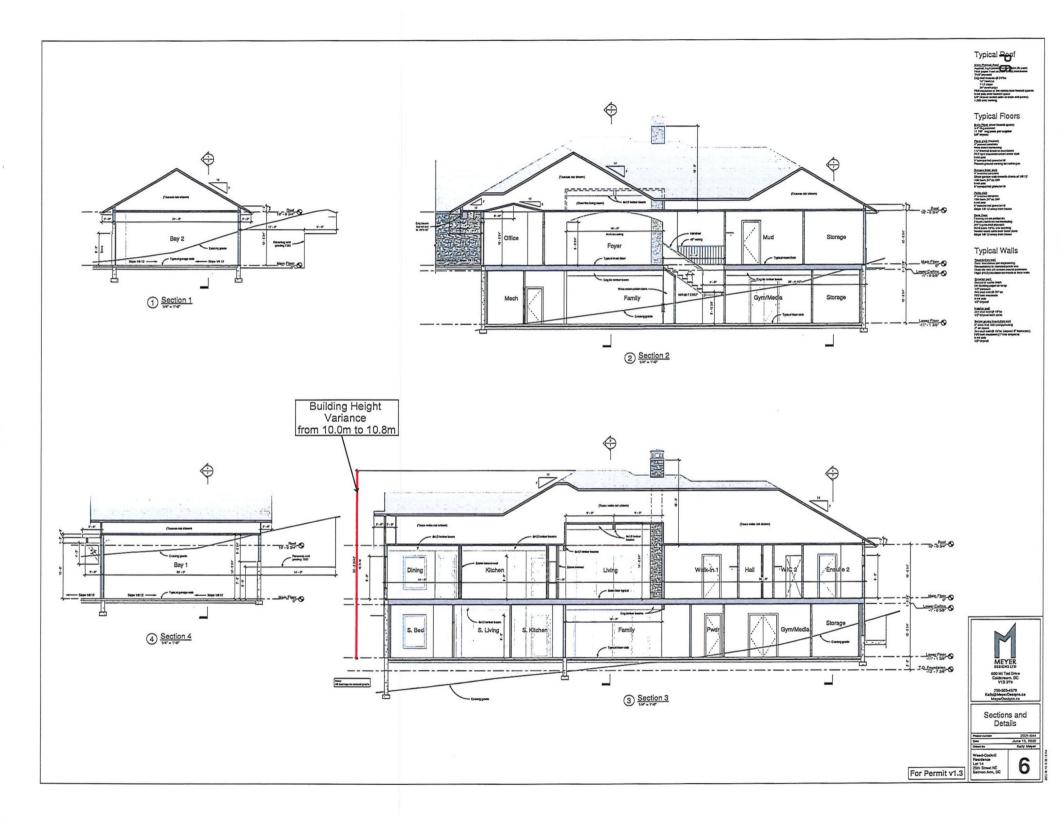
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Reviewed by Kevin Pearson, MCIP, RPP Director of Development Services









Dear Mayor, Councilors, and City of Salmon Arm Staff:

Hindbo Construction Group Inc. is seeking a height variance for two items, roof line and retaining walls for proposed single-family residence located at 2791 25<sup>th</sup> Street NE.

Current zoning rules state a variance is required if the roof height exceeds 10 meters (32' 9 11/16") and a retaining wall exceeds 2.0 meters (6.5ft.). We respectfully request a roof height of 10.74 meters (35' 3") and a retaining wall height up to 5.5 meters (18').

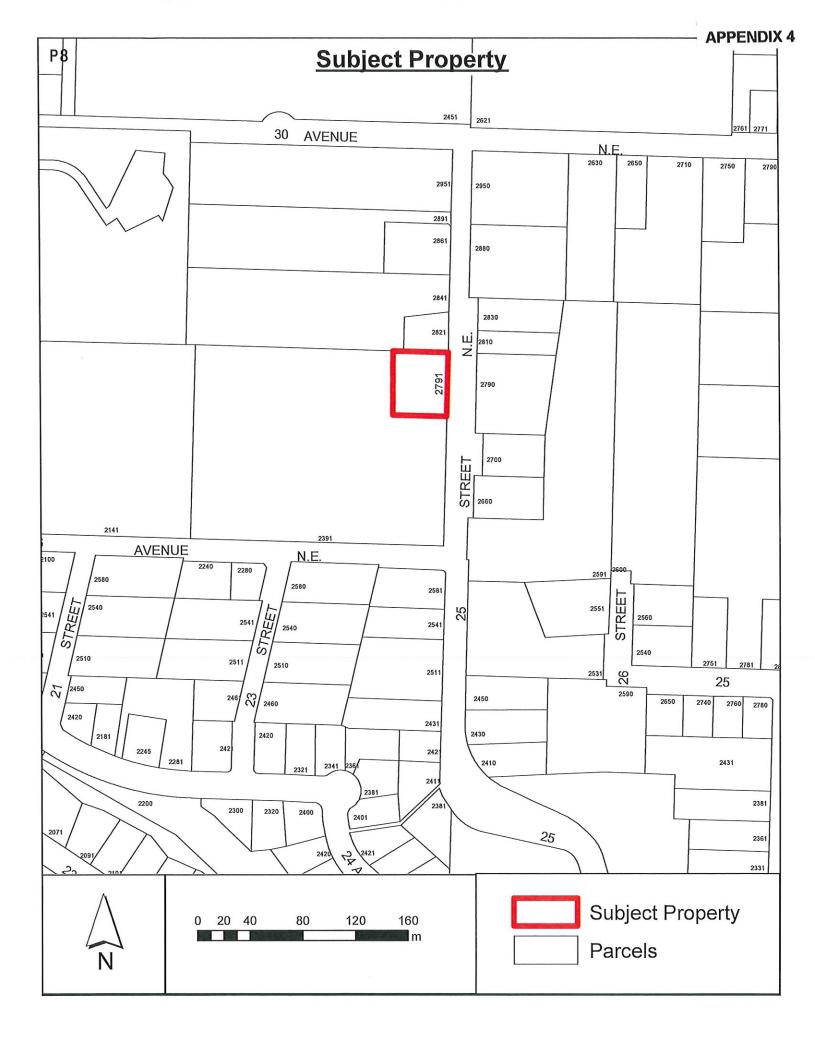
Due to the grade/slope at 2791 25<sup>th</sup> Street NE (the property) where the proposed single-family residence will be built, we feel the extra .74 meters of roof height will not negatively affect views while traveling on 25<sup>th</sup> Street NE. In fact, with the trees removed to create a building site for the house, the view should be enhanced.

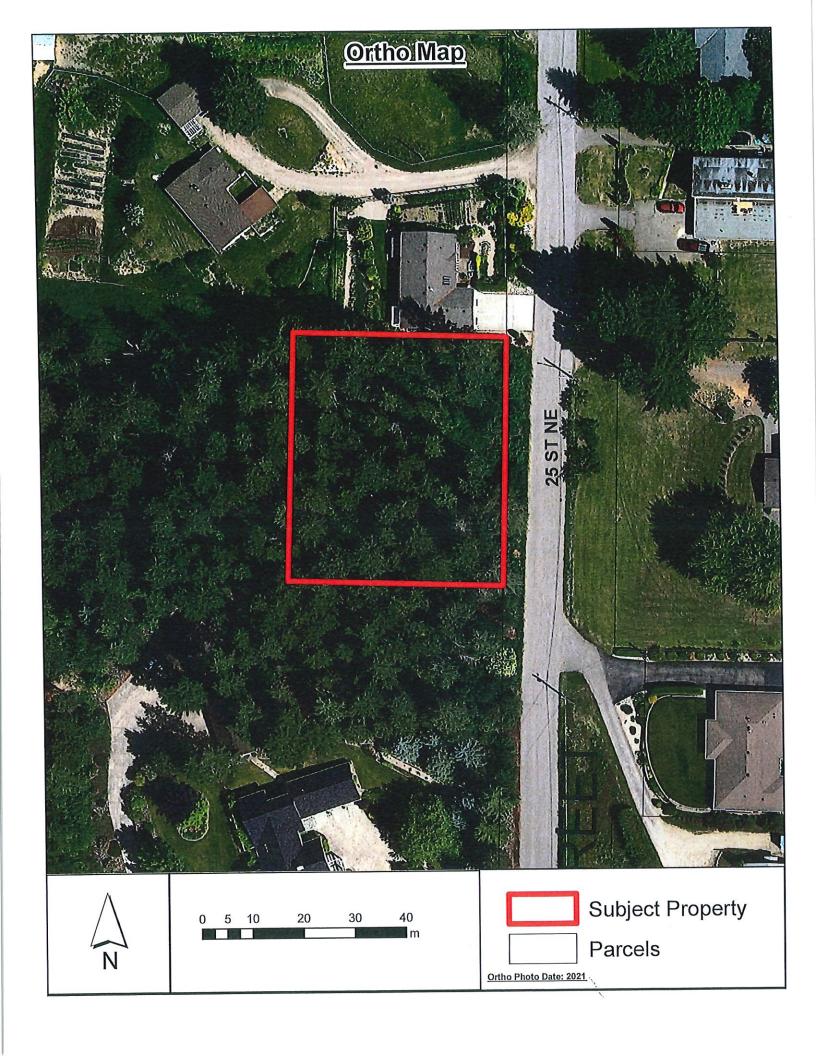
Due to the grade/slope of the property, we require several retaining walls. One of which, below the house will vary from 0 to 18' in height. Another retaining wall, adjacent to the garage will be from 0 - 10' in height. The balance of retaining walls do not require a variance.

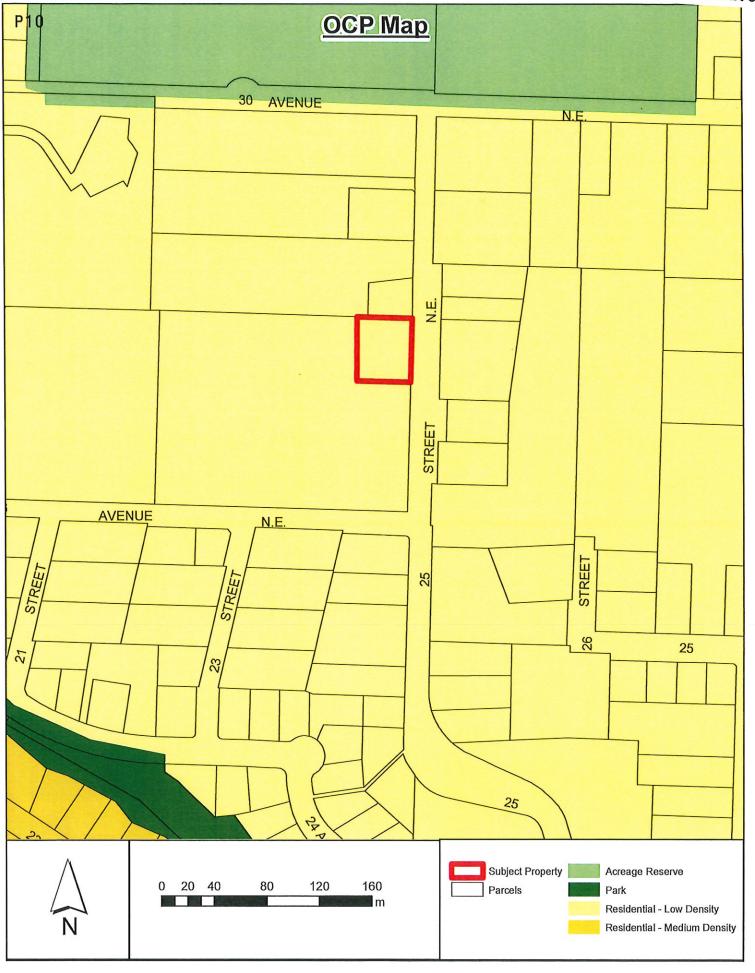
We hope you agree with our request that the proposed home's roofline and retaining walls will not obscure the view or impact the landscape.

Regards,

Coady Hindbo
Hindbo Construction Group Inc.
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