

**CITY OF VICTORIA
BOARD OF VARIANCE MINUTES
MAY 27, 2021**

Present: Trevor Moat, Chair
Rosa Munzer
Margaret Eckenfelder
Jaime Hall
Rus Collins

Staff: Alena Hickman, BOV Secretary
Thom Pebernat, Zoning Administrator

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm.

1. Appeals

**12:30 Board of Variance Appeal #00895
Jason Smith & Danielle Driscoll, Applicant
1548 Clawthorpe Avenue**

Present Zoning: R1-B
Present Use: Single Family Dwelling

The proposal is to construct a garden suite.

Bylaw Requirement

Relaxation Requested

Schedule M, section 5.b.i

Relaxation to the height from 4.2m to 5.3m

Jason Smith and Danielle Driscoll Applicants; were present.

Correspondence submitted was acknowledged.

Applicant

- The applicants would like to convert the garage to a garden suite.
- Requesting a 1.1m height relaxation.
- The hardship is the protected trees.
- The proposed design came about by working with the arborist and the City Planning department.
- The proposal has support of the neighbours at 1554 Clawthorpe Avenue and 1542 Clawthorpe Avenue.
- The applicants have taken care to limit the overlook.
- The applicants are proposing windows on the north side only.

Board

April 22, 2021

- You are building up because you do not want to increase the footprint?
 - We do not want to push anything out into the middle of the lot as it's already narrow. We also don't want to interrupt the protected root zones of any trees.
- Are all the windows facing North to be obscured?
 - No, only those on the second storey.
- The neighbours that sent in the letter of support live at 1554 Clawthorpe Avenue, correct?
 - Yes.

Public portion of the meeting closed.

- Appealing design.
- Applicants did a wonderful job and took neighbours into consideration.

Motion:

Moved: Margaret Eckenfelder

Seconded: Rosa Munzer

That the following variance be approved

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Carried Unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 12:45 pm.
