

**THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER
BOARD OF VARIANCE HEARING MINUTES
VIA ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION FACILITIES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2024**

BOARD MEMBERS: Chair L. Radage and Members S. Abri, J. Elwick, D. Simmons, and R. Yaworsky attended the hearing via electronic communication facilities.

STAFF: P. Cuk, Board Secretary; N. Karimabadi, Supervisor, Residential Plans Examiners; and M. Beattie, Legislative Services Clerk, attended the hearing via electronic communication facilities.

1. Call to Order

The hearing was called to order at 5 p.m.

2. Introduction

Staff introduced the Board Members and described the hearing procedure.

3. Confirmation of the Agenda

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the October 16, 2024 Board of Variance hearing agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Adoption of the September 18, 2024 Minutes

Chair Radage referred to the minutes of the Board of Variance hearing held on September 18, 2024.

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the September 18, 2024 Board of Variance hearing minutes be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Time Limit of Board of Variance Orders

Chair Radage read out the following statement regarding Time Limit of Order Approving a Variance and noted that the time limit applied to each application approved by the Board:

Pursuant to section 542(3) of the *Local Government Act*, if a Board of Variance orders that a minor variance be permitted from the requirements of the bylaw, and the Order sets a time limit within which the construction of the building or structure must be completed, and the construction is not completed within that time, the permission of the Board terminates and the bylaw applies. Further, if that construction is not substantially started within 2 years after the Order was made, or within a longer or shorter time period established by the Order, the permission of the Board terminates and the bylaw applies.

6. Application 24-038 (1030 Esquimalt Avenue)

Staff confirmed the following requested variances regarding a power pole (accessory structure):

- a) 6.6 m to Front Yard Setback
- b) 0.77 m to Minimum Side Yard Setback
- c) 3.3 m to Accessory Structure Height.

Staff informed of written submissions received for this application prior to the Board of Variance hearing.

Written submissions received:

SUBMISSION AUTHOR	SUBMISSION DATED	#
Redacted	October 15, 2024	1

Staff provided permit history of the subject property.

B. Lamoureux (Lamoureux Architect Inc, representing the owners of 1030 Esquimalt Avenue) described the variance application for a power pole (accessory structure). Staff, B. Lamoureux, and A. Hossain (Lamoureux Architect Inc, representing the owners of 1030 Esquimalt Avenue) responded to Board members' questions.

Chair Radage queried whether anyone else had signed up to address the Board regarding the subject application. Staff informed that no one else had signed up to address the Board regarding the subject application.

Members of the Board considered:

- All of the submissions;
- Whether the application was for a minor variance that did not
 - result in inappropriate development of the site
 - adversely affect the natural environment
 - substantially affect the use and enjoyment of adjacent land
 - vary permitted uses and densities under the applicable bylaw; or
 - defeat the intent of the bylaw; and
- Whether compliance with the bylaw would cause the applicant undue hardship.

Having read the application dated September 17, 2024, including the applicant's letter, plans and all other related documents, and having read the statutory Notice of Hearing for the subject application, and having inspected and/or viewed images of the subject site, and having heard the submissions of B. Lamoureux and A. Hossain:

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Board finds that undue hardship would be caused to the applicant by compliance with Zoning Bylaw No. 4662, 2010 (as amended) and orders that Application 24-038 regarding a power pole (accessory structure) at 1030 Esquimalt Avenue with variances of:

- 6.6 m to Front Yard Setback
- 0.77 m to Minimum Side Yard Setback
- 3.3 m to Accessory Structure Height

BE ALLOWED pursuant to the plans dated July 31, 2024 submitted with the application; AND THAT if construction is not substantially started within 2 years of the issuance of the Order, the permission terminates and the Zoning Bylaw applies.

CARRIED

7. Receipt of Written and Oral Submissions

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT all written and oral submissions regarding the following Board of Variance Application:

- Application 24-038 (1030 Esquimalt Avenue)

up to and including October 16, 2024, be received.

CARRIED

8. Public Question Period

There were no questions.

9. Next Hearing

Staff confirmed that the next hearing of the Board of Variance is scheduled for November 20, 2024 at 5 p.m.

10. Adjournment

It was Moved and Seconded:

THAT the October 16, 2024 Board of Variance hearing be adjourned.

CARRIED

The Board of Variance hearing adjourned at 5:16 p.m.

Certified Correct:

[Original signed by Chair]

CHAIR

[Original signed by Secretary]

SECRETARY