# Danelski, Alexander

From: Dalvir Singh <dalvir\_singh\_ca@hotmail.com>

**Sent:** Monday, March 24, 2025 1:18 PM

**To:** Committee of adjustment

**Subject:** Opposition to Minor Variance Application A-25:027 - 39 Trailbank Gdns - Parking Space

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To the Committee of Adjustment, City of Hamilton,

I am writing to express my opposition to the minor variance application submitted by my neighbour at 39 Trailbank Gdns regarding the proposed parking space in our shared front lawn. As the owner of the adjacent semi-detached property at 35 Trailbank Gdns, I am directly and significantly impacted by this application.

My objections are based on the following key points:

- Negative Impact on Shared Lawn and Amenity: I am opposed to the variance as it utilizes our shared front lawn for parking. This space is integral to the aesthetic and functional use of both our properties. The proposed parking space will occupy approximately half of their portion of the shared lawn, significantly altering its character and diminishing my enjoyment. The use of the front yard as a parking area will create visual clutter, reduce the green space I access, and directly impact my enjoyment of this shared amenity. The proposed parking space will also likely cause damage to the existing grass we both share.
- Damage to Shared Tree: The proposed parking space and increased vehicle traffic pose a significant risk of damage to the shared tree's root system. The weight of vehicles parked in close proximity will lead to soil compaction, inhibiting the tree's ability to absorb water and nutrients, and negatively impacting the tree's health and longevity.
- Non-Compliance with Zoning By-Law and Drainage Concerns: As previously stated by the City of Hamilton, the proposed parking space does not comply with the zoning by-law regulations. I support the city's assessment and reiterate my objection. Furthermore, the parking space will change the natural drainage patterns of the shared lawn, potentially leading to erosion and water pooling on my property.
- Maintenance Complications and City Planning Considerations: The proposed parking space will complicate the maintenance of the shared lawn, making it difficult to mow, fertilize, and otherwise care for the remaining green space. I request that the committee consider the City of Hamilton's Official Plan, which emphasizes the importance of preserving green spaces and maintaining the character of residential neighbourhoods.
- **Potential for reduced property values:** The visual impact of the proposed parking space may reduce the overall aesthetic and thus the property value of my property.

I respectfully request that the Committee of Adjustment deny this application to protect our shared amenity, preserve the mature tree, maintain compliance with zoning regulations, uphold the character of our neighbourhood and potential for reduced property values.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dalvir Singh 35 Trailbank Gdns, Waterdown ON L8B 1Z4 (647) 760-3230 dalvir\_singh\_ca@hotmail.com

# Danelski, Alexander

From: Adair, Kendra (MNR) < Kendra. Adair@ontario.ca>

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 25, 2025 11:36 AM

**To:** Committee of adjustment **Cc:** Henderson, Brandon (MNR)

Subject: NEC Comments - March 27, 2025 COA Agenda

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Good morning Committee of Adjustment,

NEC staff have reviewed the March 27, 2025 CoA agenda and offer the following comments for your consideration.

The subject properties listed below are located <u>outside</u> of the Niagara Escarpment Development Control Area. As such, a Development Permit is <u>not</u> required from the NEC for development on these lands. However, the properties are located within the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area, and therefore, the policies of the Niagara Escarpment Plan (2017) are applicable.

- A-25:028 60 Beulah Avenue, Hamilton
  - The subject property is designated as Urban Area by the 2017 Niagara Escarpment Plan. The policies in Parts 1.7 and 2 of the Niagara Escarpment Plan apply.
  - NEC staff do not note any policy conflicts with the proposed second driveway access and detached accessory structure, provided the accessory structure is not used for human habitation and shall be naturally and normally incidental, subordinate and exclusively devoted to the principal use being the single dwelling.
- A-25:030 4 Turner Avenue, Hamilton
  - The subject property is designated as Urban Area by the 2017 Niagara Escarpment Plan. The policies in Parts 1.7 and 2 of the Niagara Escarpment Plan apply.
  - NEC staff do not note any policy conflicts with the proposed single dwelling.
- A-25:027 39 Trailbank Gardens, Hamilton
  - The subject property is designated as Urban Area by the 2017 Niagara Escarpment Plan. The policies in Parts 1.7 and 2 of the Niagara Escarpment Plan apply.
  - NEC staff understand the proposal is to establish a secondary dwelling unit, and for an additional parking space.
  - Part 2.2.11 of the Niagara Escarpment Plan contains specific criteria for secondary dwelling units within the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area:
    - 2.2.11 The following provisions apply to secondary dwelling units:
    - a) a single secondary dwelling unit may be permitted on an existing lot of record;
    - b) notwithstanding the above, a secondary dwelling unit shall not be permitted on an existing lot of record where there is more than one single dwelling, including any dwelling approved under Part 2.2.7 of this Plan;
    - c) the secondary dwelling unit shall be contained entirely within a single dwelling or in an addition to a single dwelling and shall not be permitted in a detached accessory facility;

- d) the floor area of a secondary dwelling unit shall be subordinate in size to the single dwelling;
- e) secondary dwelling units shall not be permitted in a group home or a single dwelling containing a bed and breakfast; and
- f) a home occupation or home industry shall not be permitted within a secondary dwelling unit.
- Provided the proposed dwelling unit is located entirely within the single dwelling or an addition to the single dwelling, and is subordinate in size to the remainder of the dwelling (i.e. secondary), NEC staff are satisfied that it would not conflict with the policies of Part 2.2.11 of the NEP as they relate to secondary dwelling units within the Niagara Escarpment Plan Area.
- A-25:029 105 Kenesky Drive, Hamilton
  - The subject property is designated as Urban Area by the 2017 Niagara Escarpment Plan. The policies in Parts 1.7 and 2 of the Niagara Escarpment Plan apply.
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Please let myself and the Senior Planner, Brandon Henderson (copied) know if there are any questions.

Kind regards,

# Kendra Adair (She/Her)

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**From:** Committee of adjustment <<u>cofa@hamilton.ca</u>>

**Sent:** Monday, March 10, 2025 2:59:02 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

**To:** Committee of adjustment <<u>cofa@hamilton.ca</u>> **Subject:** March 27, 2025 COA Agenda Available

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Good Afternoon,

Attached is a copy of the Agenda for the **March 27, 2025** Hybrid Hearing date, please follow the link below for a copy of the submitted materials.

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Staff Written Comment Deadline: March 19, 2025 at noon

Public Agency Written Comment Deadline: March 25, 2025 at noon

Staff comments **must** be provided in one of the 3 attached templates. Public Agencies wishing to have their comments included with the staff comment package must submit comments by the Staff deadline. Any written comments from City Departments or agencies are solicited and should be prepared in a timely fashion and received in the office of the Committee of Adjustment, Attn: Jamila Sheffield via <a href="mailton.ca">cofa@hamilton.ca</a>. Comments received after the date and time noted above will not be provided to the Committee of Adjustment in the comment package. If you are unable to meet this time frame you should be prepared to attend the hearing to provide your comments or concerns verbally, in person or virtually.