Development Permit Area No. 9 – Multi-family Development

Application checklist for compliance with design guidelines

Guideline	Not	Non-	Partial	Substantial
Character of Puildings	Applicable	Compliant	Compliance	Compliance
Character of Buildings			1	
All buildings and structures and additions thereto shall be architecturally				~
coordinated and should be planned in a comprehensive manner giving				
consideration to efficiency of circulation, relationship between buildings,				
visual impact and design compatibility with surrounding development.				
Planning of all buildings subject to this Development Permit shall be				✓
made with due consideration to the relationship between building				
height, site coverage, yard setbacks, architectural style and landscape				
character, in relation to surrounding properties, streets and other				
features				
Buildings shall be designed with wall, roof and ground plane materials				✓
that are durable, authentic and of a high quality.				
Buildings of two or more storeys in height should express the				✓
individuality of units through vertical expression of façades				
Main entrances to multi-family residential buildings should be clearly				✓
identified in the streetscape. Entrance definition may be achieved by				
canopies, gateways, landscaping, lighting, or special paving or entry				
walkways.				
Where the development faces the street, regardless of form or density,				✓
ground floor units should have individual front doors that access directly				
and are visible from the street. On elevations visible from the street,				
large expanses of blank wall should be avoided.				

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Ground floor units located at or near grade on streets and public	pp sees	✓ - secured	, and provided	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
pathways should be raised a minimum of 0.6 metres (2 feet) to aid in the		gate entries,		
provision of privacy of the dwelling units.		landscape		
		screening		
		proposed for		
		privacy		
The presence of garage doors along roadways should be minimized.				✓
Where the siting of garage doors along a roadway can not be avoided				
the garage door should be recessed a minimum of 0.6 metres (2 feet)				
behind the main building façade. Garage entries should be considered as				
part of the overall design program and should include some glazing.				
Siting and Access	T	T	T	
Buildings should not back onto public roads. Any fencing along public				✓
roads must provide for direct pedestrian access to the residential units.				
Articulation of the building façades through the use of variable setbacks				✓
is required for all front elevations regardless of the form, and all rear and				
side elevations for attached multi-family development.				
Roadways should provide efficient circulation, encourage appropriate				✓
speed through physical design, and the pedestrian realm should be				
clearly defined and acknowledged through the use of alternative				
materials and enhanced physical design.				
Parking is to be accommodated with garages/carports and driveways or				✓
discrete parking areas. Where visitor parking or common parking areas				
are required pursuant to Zoning Bylaw No. 2505, 2011 several small sites				
rather than a few large sites should be used wherever possible.				
Buildings may require articulation to reduce opportunities for				✓
households to overlook each other's private areas.				
Variation in unit size, design and siting within groupings of units should			✓ - all same	
be provided.			size but only	
			4 units	

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Public Spaces should be designed to receive sunlight all year.				✓
In order to ensure that a maximum number of units have been provided				✓
with good sun exposure all three storey and four storey proposals will be				
required to provide an analysis of the effects of solar orientation at the				
following times: Summer solstice: at 8am; noon; and 4pm Equinoxes: at				
8am; noon; and 4pm Winter solstice: at 8am; noon; and 4pm. Two storey				
proposals may be requested to provide this analysis if overshadowing on				
adjacent land uses is suspected.				
Landscaping and Recreation Spaces				
Parking areas visible from the streets and adjacent to residential				✓
buildings should be screened by substantial landscaping. Inter-planting				
of parking areas with trees is required at a minimum spacing of one tree				
per five parking stalls.				
Landscaping beds located next to parking stalls shall be designed to				✓
avoid impacts on plant material from the door swing or foot traffic				
associated with exiting or entering a vehicle, providing a hard surfaced				
"staging area" of not less than 0.8 metres within the landscape bed and				
adjacent to the parking stall.				
Retention of mature trees for integration into the overall landscaping				✓
theme is encouraged.				
Native trees and plants should be used for landscaping, where ever				✓
possible.				
Exterior illumination shall be provided as a means to provide aesthetic	✓			
accent and to enhance personal safety through natural surveillance in				
low light conditions. Illumination should be designed to avoid light spill				
on adjacent properties.				

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Neighbourhood Park recreation space should be available within a ten				✓
minute walking distance, or approximately 0.6 kilometres of a				
development. Development proposals outside of this 10 minute walking				
distance will need to provide recreation space for pre-school aged				
children.				
The recreation space should be located: in areas where can be	✓			
overlooked by dwelling units or communal adult activity areas; next to				
pedestrian routes to facilitate casual supervision; at or near the same				
level as the home unit; and must: include seating for adults; be protected				
from vehicle access; and include one play structure. For attached multi-				
family development, the minimum distance between any area of				
blacktop or other hard surface meant for vehicle parking or circulation				
and any project property line where shared parking is not planned, shall				
be 1.5 metres (5 feet) in order to provide for plant screening on the				
property lines. Only road or driveway crossings will be permitted to				
interrupt this setback.				
No front property line fencing along Harris Road will be permitted.	✓			
Individual residential unit driveway access will not be permitted off	✓			
Harris Road. Only common driveway access to projects comprising of at				
least 12 units will be permitted.				
Direct vehicle access should be encouraged to one side of the residential				✓
unit only. Where additional vehicle access is provided to the rear side of				
any townhouse unit, such access should be no closer that 6 metres (20				
feet) to any building face or closer than 3 metres (10 feet) to any privacy				
area or patio.				
All applications should include an inventory of existing trees on the site				✓
that includes type, location, approximate caliper and heights.				
A tree/landscape screen is to be provided along the railway.	✓			