

**Application A07-26-PC**

**May 20, 2026**

**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Planning Act, R.S.O., 1990, c.P.13*, as amended, and Section 24.3 (d) of the City of Port Colborne Zoning By-law 6575/30/18, as amended;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF** the lands legally known as Part of Bridge Street, Part of Lots 17 & 18, on Plan 785, and Part of Lots 762 & 763, on Plan 836, in the City of Port Colborne, located in the Highway Commercial (HC) zone, municipally known as 20 Main Street East;

**AND IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION** by the owner, Rick Armenti, for relief from the provisions of the Zoning By-law 6575/30/18, as amended, under Section 45 of the *Planning Act, R.S.O 1990 C.P 13*, to permit the accommodation of a future building addition, notwithstanding the following:

1. That a minimum interior side yard of 1.6m be permitted, whereas a minimum interior side yard of 5m is required.

That the Committee of Adjustment has decided that application **A07-26-PC** be **granted** for the following reasons:

1. **The application is minor in nature** as the request for relief is modest and does not result in any significant changes to the overall use, function, or character of the site.
2. **It is appropriate for the development of the site** as the proposed variance allows for the creation of a building addition to the existing motor vehicle sales establishment, which is permitted within the zoning.
3. **It is desirable and in compliance with the general intent and purpose of the Zoning By-law** as the proposed variance support a permitted Highway Commercial use and helps to support the City's objectives for economic growth and infill.
4. **It is desirable and in compliance with the general intent and purpose of the Official Plan** as the lands are designated Highway Commercial, which represent areas of existing and future commercial development within the Urban Area.

**NOTE: No public comments were received during the decision-making process.**

**DATED AT PORT COLBORNE this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026.**

**DECISIONS SIGNED:**

"Dan O'Hara"	"Angie Desmarais"			"Gary Bruno"
Signature of Committee Chair	Signature of Committee Member	Signature of Committee Member	Signature of Committee Member	Signature of Committee Member
<b>Dan O'Hara</b>	<b>Angie Desmarais</b>	<b>Dave Elliott</b>	<b>Eric Beauregard</b>	<b>Gary Bruno</b>

## THE LAST DATE ON WHICH AN APPEAL TO THE ONTARIO LAND TRIBUNAL MAY BE FILED IS:

June 2, 2026

The Decision of the Committee of Adjustment, when not appealed, does not become final and binding until **20 days** from the giving of the notice has elapsed as set out in subsection (21) of Section 53 of The Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c.P.13, as amended.

### Appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal

The applicant, the Minister or any specified person or public body who has an interest in the matter may within 20 days of the making of the minor variance decision (20 days from date of mailing of consent decision) appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) against the decision of the Committee by filing with the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee a completed Appellant Form (A1) accompanied by payment of the fee. **A copy of the appeal form is available on the Ontario Land Tribunals website at <https://olt.gov.on.ca/tribunals/lpat/forms/appellant-applicant-forms/>**

### Cost of the Appeal

The cost of the appeal is \$400 for the first consent, or minor variance application. Each additional appeal filed by the same appellant against connected consent or minor variance applications is \$25.00. Appeal fees must be paid by certified cheque or money order to the **Minister of Finance**.

### OLT Process

On an appeal to the OLT, the Tribunal shall, except if all appeals are withdrawn or if the Tribunal dismisses the appeal, hold a hearing of which notice shall be given to the applicant, the appellant, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Committee and to such other persons and in such manner as the Tribunal may determine. If within such 20 days no notice of appeal is given, the decision of the Committee is final and binding, and the Secretary-Treasurer shall notify the applicant. Where all appeals to the OLT are withdrawn the decision of the committee is final and binding and the Secretary of the Tribunal shall notify the Secretary-Treasurer of the committee who in turn shall notify the applicant.

### OLT Dismissal Without Hearing

The OLT may dismiss the appeal and may make any decision that the Committee could have made on the original application. The OLT may dismiss all or part of any appeal without holding a hearing, on its own motion or on the motion of any party if it is the opinion that,

1. The reasons set out in the notice of appeal do not disclose any apparent land use planning ground which the Tribunal could allow all or part of the appeal;
2. The appeal is not made in good faith, or is frivolous, or vexatious;
3. The appeal is only made for the purpose of delay;
4. The appellant has not provided written reasons for the appeal;
5. The appellant has not paid the fee prescribed under the *Ontario Land Tribunal Act*, or;
6. The appellant has not responded to a request by the OLT for further information within the time specified by the Tribunal.

#### Appeals should be directed to:

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