

APPENDIX C

THE COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

(This Appendix is provided only as an overview of the enabling legislation dealing with the Committee of Adjustment. For accurate and detailed reference, recourse must be had to the *Planning Act*, R.S.O. 1990)

1. The Committee of Adjustment is established and regulated under Sections 44, 45 and 54 of the *Planning Act*, R.S.O.1990.
2. The Committee of Adjustment is an independent body, which, in the City of Ottawa, is comprised of individuals appointed by City Council for a term of 3 years.
3. (a) The Committee of Adjustment may authorize, with respect to this By-law:
 - (i) minor variances to the provisions of this By-law,
 - (ii) permission to enlarge, extend or change a non-conforming use, or
 - (iii) consents to sever land;(b) The Committee may authorize such variances, permissions and consents described in Subsection (a) which, in its opinion:
 - (i) in the case of variances, are minor in nature,
 - (ii) are desirable for the appropriate development or use of the land, building or structure,
 - (iii) maintain the general purpose and intent of the Zoning By-law, and
 - (iv) maintain the general purpose and intent of the Official Plan.
4. The Committee of Adjustment may set out in its decisions any terms and conditions as the Committee considers advisable.
5. Decisions of the Committee of Adjustment may be appealed to the Ontario Municipal Board.