



## BOARD Policy

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| Section: | Planning and Development     | BRD-0340-50 |
| Title:   | Development Variance Permits | 008         |

### 1. PURPOSE

**1.1** To outline the criteria for approving Development Variance Permit Applications.

### 2. SCOPE

### 3. DEFINITIONS

### 4. POLICY

**4.1** To consider Development Variance Permit applications according to the following criteria.

- The variance should not defeat the intent of the bylaw standard or significantly depart from the planning principle or objective intended by the bylaw.
- The variance should not negatively affect adjacent or nearby properties or public lands.
- The variance should not be considered a precedent but should be considered as a unique solution to a unique situation or set of circumstances.
- The proposed variance represents the best solution for the proposed development after all other options have been considered.
- The variance should not negatively affect the natural site characteristics or environmental qualities of the property.

**4.2** Applications which meet most, or all, of the preceding criteria will generally be supported.

### 5. EXCEPTIONS

### 6. AUTHORITY TO ACT

**6.1** Retained by the Board.

### 7. REFERENCES (Bylaws, Procedures, Guiding documents)

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