Minor Variances

If a minor variance is required:

- The application fee is \$800
- It is approximately a 2-month process
- It is a public process.
- There is no guarantee of approvals



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Guide to Accessory Apartments



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Things to Consider

- An accessory or secondary apartment is a separate dwelling unit in an existing home
- They are permitted in all single detached, semidetached, townhouses and detached accessory structures (as per the Strong Communities Through Affordable Housing Act, 2011)
- They are not permitted in a multi-unit dwelling (apartments)
- They provide rental units and affordable housing
- They must comply with the Ontario Building Code, the Ontario Fire Code and the Town of Orangeville Zoning By-law 22-90, as amended

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Zoning By-law 22-90

- A new entrance cannot be created in the front wall of the home
- A total of three parking spaces must be provided for the principal and accessory units; these can be provided in a garage, carport and/or a driveway and must be fully located on the property (not on the road allowance)
- A parking space is at least 2.7m (8.8 ft) wide by 5.5m (18 ft) long
- Based on how wide the property is, there is a maximum permitted driveway width. This may impact the ability to meet the required parking spaces on the property
- If the requirements of the Zoning By-law cannot be met, a minor variance may be required

