



CITY OF SAN DIEGO – 1222 FIRST AVE., SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

# PUBLIC NOTICE

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**Date: March 19, 2021**

**Subject: New Permits and Approvals Available Online Starting March 29**

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On Monday, March 29, the Development Services Department (DSD) will add five new permit types to the growing number of [permits and approvals already processed online](#), making it easier for small businesses to obtain approvals online for select operations. The five new permit types will be:

1. **Alternate Methods & Materials** – to apply for deviations or modifications to the adopted codes or standards for a project
2. **Mobile Food Truck** – to operate a mobile food truck business in select areas
3. **Street Address Change** – to change the street number of an existing property address
4. **Temporary Use Permit** – to allow for specific temporary uses
5. **Zoning Use Verification** – to verify allowable uses on a property when an official validation is requested

Additional updates to the online permitting process will be released in the coming months for building, engineering and discretionary permits. As of July 1 last year, all new applications and projects must be submitted online for review.

## **Features of Online Permitting & Approvals**

It's now more intuitive, easier and faster for customers to apply for a permit online, check the permit status and conduct invoice payments. Customers also have access to:

- Streamlined application instructions;
- A new customer guide that provides step-by-step instructions on applying for an online permit; and
- A new tool that verifies PDF files – uploaded as part of a permit application – meet requirements for plan review.

## **#DigitalDSD**

The revamped permitting process for the select permit types is among the latest enhancements to the City's permitting process to help reduce permitting processing times and are an integral part

of #DigitalDSD, an initiative to modernize all DSD workplace systems and cost-effectively leverage technology to increase productivity and improve service delivery. Other #DigitalDSD services include all new permits being processed online, [virtual over-the-counter appointments](#), the launch of an [online portal](#) to assist local businesses with outdoor expansion during the COVID-19 pandemic and [virtual inspections](#) for construction projects.

**COVID-19 Information**

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