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Building Permit Express Plan Check

FORM
DS-3036
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Express Plan check is available for most projects and most disciplines upon payment of an Express Plan Check administrative fee plus 1.5 times the regular plan check fee. The express fee includes rechecks.

The express turnaround times are determined using the table below. If any discipline does not meet the turnaround time, the express plan check fee will be pro-rated by the number of reviewing disciplines that did meet the express turnaround time.

Discipline	Building Permits						Combination Building Permits					
	Short		Medium		Long		Short		Medium		Long	
	Working Days ¹		Working Days ¹		Working Days ¹		Working Days ¹		Working Days ¹		Working Days ¹	
	Std	Express	Std	Express	Std	Express	Std	Express	Std	Express	Std	Express
Addressing	8	6	8	6	8	6	NOT AVAILABLE					
Combined Review	10	6	15	8	25	13						
Electrical	10	6	15	8	25	13						
Eng. Bldg. Review	10	6	15	8	25	13						
Fire Hazmat	10	6	20	10	20	10						
Fire Plan Check	10	6	15	8	20	10						
Geology	10	6	15	8	20	10						
Landscaping	10	6	20	10	30	15						
Mechanical	10	6	15	8	25	13						
Noise	10	6	15	8	25	13						
Planning Review	10	6	20	10	30	15						
Structural	10	6	20	10	40/60 ²	20/30 ²						

N/A = Not Available

- Working days exclude weekends, holidays, and other days City offices are closed, and is calculated from the date the project is deemed complete (plans accepted for review and fees paid).
- Determined during completeness review.

Short ¹	Medium ¹	Long
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accessory structure additions (e.g., decks, stairs, fences, fireplaces, equipment anchorage on grade, equipment enclosure) Alteration/Addition to an individual dwelling unit within a Multiple Dwelling Unit Building Change of occupancy other than to "A" or "H" occupancy type Commercial coaches Foundation repair except piles/caissons Paint spray booth Parking lots without structures Retaining walls up to 10 ft. Signs with structural calculations Storefront alteration Tenant improvements/Alterations up to 10,000 s.f., with structural calculations (other than restaurants or projects not requiring DSD-hazardous material review) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any project with prior discretionary permit Additions² Antennas Change of occupancy to "A" or "H" Church (new) up to 10,000 s.f. Foundation repair using piles/caissons MDU (new) up to 20 units Non-residential building (new) up to 2-stories and up to 20,000 s.f. Parking structures (new) up to 3-stories Restaurants/bars/clubs (new) up to 10,000 s.f. Retaining walls greater than 10 ft. School (new) up to 10,000 s.f. Seismic Retrofit up to 4-stories Storage racks Shoring walls Swimming pools Tenant improvements 10,000 to 50,000 s.f., with or without structural calcs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Church (new) >10,000 s.f. Hotel/motel (new) up to 3 stories Non-residential tenant improvements > 50,000 s.f. Non-residential building (new) more than 2-stories but less than 5-stories Restaurants/bars/club (new) > 10,000 s.f. School (new) >10,000 s.f. Seismic retrofit > 4-stories

Complex (Note: These projects must go through submitted completeness review. Turn-around time is determined during completeness review)

- Hotel/motel (new) > 3 stories
- Multiple Dwelling Units (new) > 20 units
- Multi-plex theaters/auditoriums (new or addition)
- Non-residential building (new), with or without a parking structure, 5 stories or more
- Parking structure (new) > 3 stories
- Shopping malls (new or addition)
- Partial permits
- Phased development (e.g., where more than one building is being constructed and occupied at different times)

¹ If the project includes multiple buildings, the next turnaround time category will be used. Review turnaround times for projects not listed should be determined by the structural review workload manager.

² If more than 50% of the existing building square footage is removed and reconstructed, use the turnaround category for a new building.

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