



CITY OF SAN DIEGO - 1222 FIRST AVE., M.S. 401, SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

PUBLIC NOTICE

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**Subject: Fire Alarm and Fire Sprinklers Submittals for Tenant Improvement (TI) Projects
(Revision)**

Starting **May 6, 2019**, tenant improvement (T.I.) building projects **will** continue to be allowed to defer fire alarm and fire sprinkler plans for existing systems. Building plans (architectural and structural plans, at a minimum) will now be reviewed by the life safety reviewer with or without sprinkler or fire alarm plans during building permit review process to try to identify any potential issues earlier in the review process. Depending upon the size of the Tenant Improvement, inspections will be affected if applicant chooses to defer, as follows:

- TIs for projects of Group B, S, F, M occupancies less than 10,000 sf with existing fire sprinkler and fire alarm systems will not be able to call for any inspections until the required fire sprinkler or fire alarm plans (or “no-plan” affidavit) have been submitted. Once the plans (or “no-plan” affidavit) have been submitted, inspections can be scheduled. However, until the fire sprinkler and/or fire alarm plans have been approved and the permit(s) issued, inspections will stop before walls and ceilings are concealed.
- All other TIs and new projects will be allowed to schedule inspections if they opt to defer the fire sprinkler and/or fire alarm design. However, until the fire sprinkler and/or fire alarm plans have been approved and the permit(s) issued, inspections will stop before walls and ceilings are concealed.

DSD does encourage customers to submit fire sprinkler and fire alarm plans as soon as possible in order to avoid delays in construction and in occupancy.