The purpose of this information bulletin is to outline the procedures to be followed when there is a change of the property owner, contractor, permit holder, or the licensed design professional (architect/engineer) of record for a Building, Combination, Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, Fire Sprinkler, or Fire Alarm Permit.

A change of record may occur prior to or after issuance of a permit and shall be documented in order to assure continuity of responsibility for the construction project.

I. CHANGE OF RECORD PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT

A. The information for the project’s property owner, contractor and permit holder is collected at the time of permit issuance; therefore, there is no need to submit a change of record form for this information prior to permit issuance.

B. When a change of licensed design professional (architect or engineer) of record is desired prior to issuance of a permit, the new architect or engineer of record shall submit one of the following:
   1. Submit alternate plans, calculations, geotechnical reports and other documents replacing the existing design documents, or
   2. Add a note on the cover sheet of plans stating the following declaration:

   Change of Design Professional Declaration: I have reviewed all construction plans, calculations, reports, and other work performed by the previous architect or engineer and concur with the statements, conclusions and recommendations specified therein. In addition, I will perform structural observations as defined in Chapter 17 of the California Building Code if specified in the plans.

II. CHANGE OF RECORD AFTER ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT

A. Complete and submit a Change of Building Permit Record form (DS-342).

B. If project includes a construction change, in addition to a Change of Building Permit Record form (DS-342), refer to and follow the procedure in Information Bulletin 118 “How to Process Construction Changes to Approved Plans.”

III. FEES

The following fees are required to be paid for processing a Change of Building Permit Record:

- Record Fee: $21.71
- Change of Record Fee: $102.60

IV. SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

All forms, documents and applications are now submitted electronically. Visit the Development Services Department website at sandiego.gov/DSD to create an account and begin the submittal process. A detailed User Guide is also available.