Early Assistance Options for Development Projects

Planners in the Development Services Center can answer general questions over the counter about zoning as it relates to development plans. However, for projects that involve complex land use reviews or site-specific questions that cannot be answered over the counter, the Bureau of Development Services offers several options for more comprehensive early assistance. Complete information about these options can be obtained by visiting the Development Services Center or calling 503-823-7526. The early assistance options include:

Early Zoning Standards Review

Early Zoning Standards Review (Zoning Confirmation Letter) allows proposed projects or sites to be reviewed for compliance with the Zoning Code prior to applying for a building permit. An applicant may have a proposed project and submit a site plan with elevations. Alternatively, an applicant may receive a summary of applicable development standards for a site without a specific development proposal or site plan. Planning staff performs this review; no other City agencies provide feedback.

Within three weeks of the request, Planning staff mails a summary outlining development standards and identifying any required land use reviews. The applicant then applies for a pre-application conference (required for Type III or Type IV land use review), land use review or building permit (if a land use review is not required). The fee for this service is $115 for one and two family dwelling units, or $345 for all other development.

Early Assistance Appointments

Early Assistance Appointments aid the applicant in preparing a complete project proposal, inform them of the procedures and requirements of the City code, and identify policies or regulations that create opportunities or issues for the proposal. Planning staff and other City agencies (on an as-needed basis) provide feedback on the proposal.

There are different types of Early Assistance Appointments available, depending on the project:

- Land Division - For land division or planned development proposals
- Environmental or Greenway - For proposals (including land divisions) located within environmental or greenway overlay zones

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Join us!
2nd Friday of every month
12 noon to 1:30 pm
1900 SW 4th Ave., Portland
2nd floor conference room
Bring your lunch and sit in on a free seminar. Each month we present information on a different development related topic.

Scheduled presentations
Friday, March 9, 2007
Get Legal Program
• How to research the permit history on your property?
• What to do if the permit history does not match what’s been built on your property?
• How can the program help?
• What types of projects are eligible for the program?

Friday, April 13, 2007
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• E-mail announcement subscription service
• Calendar

Contact
E-mail, bdsl&l@ci.portland.or.us
Tiffani Penson, 503-823-1109

On TV
Portland Community Media’s Cable Channel 30. Check www.pcmtv.org for the schedule.

Early Assistance, continued from page 1
• Design - For proposals in design overlay zones, historic or conservation districts, or landmark buildings
• Other Land Use Review - For proposals involving reviews such as Adjustment, Conditional Use, Master Plan, Nonconforming Situation Review, and Zone Change

The appointments are scheduled in the Development Services Center and most appointments are held within two weeks of the request. Appointments are one hour long, and the fee is $150.

Design Advice Requests
An applicant may request design advice from the Design Commission or Historic Landmarks Commission prior to submitting a Type III Design Review or Historic Design Review. Design advice requests provide early feedback on projects such as:
• Atypical building types or configurations unable to draw on other prior project approvals to assess approval potential
• Projects which might include elements that do not appear to conform to design guidelines, and which may require a waiver of one or more design guidelines
• Unique urban design schemes for which interest or support is sought prior to approaching other agencies

Requests will typically be heard by the commission at a public hearing approximately five weeks from the submittal date and fee payment. Responses from the commission will be documented by staff within two weeks of the hearing and sent to the applicant. The fee for this service is $1,450.

Pre-Application Conferences
A Pre-application Conference is required for all Type III and IV land use reviews prior to submittal of the application. The purpose of a Pre-application Conference is to advise and inform applicants of the procedural and substantive requirements of a land use review. Optional Pre-application Conferences are also available to discuss projects that entail a lower review process (Type I, II or IIX) or for projects that do not require a land use review (such as a building permit review).

City agencies, some state and federal agencies, and neighborhood associations within 1,000 feet of the site will be notified of the conference. These agencies review and comment on the proposal to alert the applicant of requirements for the specific development proposal. Neighbors and other interested parties may attend pre-application conferences but are asked to reserve questions and comments regarding the project for the applicant’s meeting with the neighborhood association.

Within three weeks of the day of the conference, a summary report is prepared and mailed to the applicant. The report includes the feedback from all agencies that commented. The fee for this service is $1,545 for Minor or optional Pre-Application Conferences, and $2,045 for Major Pre-Application Conferences.
Construction Noise Regulations

The City of Portland’s Noise Control Office wants to remind anyone working on residential or commercial construction projects about the City’s construction noise regulations. While construction work is an important part of our economy, the city has adopted noise limits designed to balance the needs of residents and businesses.

The issue is usually not how loud the work is, but when the work is being done. Construction work is allowed from 7:00 a.m until 6:00 p.m Monday through Saturday. Any work outside these times must be quiet enough to meet the permitted decibel levels for the area where the work is being done.

If the Noise Control Office receives a complaint, they will contact the responsible party and request that they resolve the noise issue. If not addressed, fines of up to $5,000 and stop-work orders can result. We know there are times when work must be done outside the permitted hours; verifiable emergencies are one example. If you have other reasons for working outside these hours, you may request a noise variance. The variance, if approved, can allow work outside these hours, but it will include detailed conditions.

Several key considerations for approval of the noise variance are neighborhood impact and notification. Insufficient or too narrowly-scoped notification can result in unexpected impact on neighbors and result in the need to stop a project while the noise variance is reevaluated. If the Noise Office is compelled to mitigate when neighbors have not been notified sufficiently in advance or in a large enough radius, noise variances can be cancelled or placed on hold. By submitting your application well in advance of the project start date, applicants allow themselves more time to notify neighbors as required in the noise variance.

To apply for a variance or for other noise-related questions, call the Noise Office at 503-823-7350 or get more information at www.portlandonline.com/bds.

2007 Legislative Session

January 8, 2007 marked the opening day of the 74th State of Oregon legislative session.

Though the legislative session is still in the early stages, BDS is following legislation that, if passed, would affect many aspects of the development process from the ability of the State to work with the federal government to enact the underground injection control program to how Measure 37 claims are addressed. Electrical licensing, electronic permitting, various land use issues, and bio-diesel regulations are all being introduced into the legislative hopper and are being put through the process.

Information on specific measures or the legislative process itself can be obtained through the Oregon State Legislature Web site at www.leg.state.or.us/index.html. At this site you can search for specific legislation, read the complete measure text, and follow bills through the process.

For specific information on legislation that BDS is monitoring, please contact Lori Graham at 503-823-3448 or by e-mail at grahaml@ci.Portland.or.us.

Attention FPP Customers

Make a note!

Facility Permit Program Changes Drop-Off/Pick-Up Services

The Facility Permit Program (FPP) has moved their drop-off and pick-up services from the 5th floor reception desk to the 2nd floor Permitting Services Counter, located in Suite 2100. Turn left as you exit the elevators.

Customers arriving between 3:00 pm and 4:30 pm can use the buzzer at the Permitting Services entrance. FPP can also be reached by calling 503-823-5996 between 7:00 am and 4:30 pm.

Go to two instead of five!
State Grants Permanent Status to Field Issuance Remodel Program

Bureau of Development Services Director, Paul Scarlett, recently announced that the Bureau of Development Services has received permission from the State of Oregon Building Codes Division to offer its Field Issuance Remodel (FIR) Program on a permanent basis. The program has operated as a pilot program since 2003 and received national recognition in 2005 when it was awarded the inter-governmental recognition award by the National Association of the Remodeling Industry.

The FIR program’s goal is to facilitate rapid plan review and inspection processes for alterations and additions made to one- or two-family dwellings. This is accomplished by creating close relationships between the applicant and bureau staff in order to improve communication between the City and the applicant and to reduce or eliminate correction notices or reinspections. Any fees associated with the FIR program are charged on a fee for service basis.

Three key elements to increased service delivery include:

- Pre-design consultations
- Site meetings
- Process management services to assist applicants with meeting the requirements of other City of Portland bureaus and agencies

In addition to receiving permanent status, Scarlett announced plans for the program’s expansion to meet increased customer demand. “This program’s success and popularity with our customers has steadily grown since its inception. I want it to be available to all contractors licensed in the State of Oregon and my plan for the program’s expansion will help us meet this goal,” says Scarlett.

Scarlett has promoted Steve Ault to become the FIR program’s second full-time Senior Building Inspector, and Scarlett is actively marketing this innovative and efficient program citywide to licensed contractors. Ault joins Senior Building Inspector Lee Hiltenbrand, who has helped develop and administer the program from the start. “Steve (Ault) and I bring a combined 40 years of development experience with the City of Portland to this program. We’re excited about the opportunity to offer more contractors an opportunity to use this valuable service,” says Hiltenbrand.

The program will be monitored to determine if the bureau will need to hire additional staff to meet growing customer demand. For more information on the Field Issuance Remodel Program, visit the Bureau of Development Services’ web site at www.portlandonline.com/bds, or call 503-823-7784.
Measure 37 Update

Measure 37 has once again been in the public spotlight as thousands of claims have poured in around the State over the last month. To date, over 7,000 claims have been filed with governments of all levels, but most heavily with the State and counties.

Portland and Multnomah County each received over 60 claims in this recent rush. The huge surge of claims was precipitated by a provision in Measure 37 which gave claimants two years after enactment of the measure (until December 4, 2006) to file claims without going through a full land use application process. After that date applicants are required to go through the land use application process and show that they are turned down before they are allowed to submit a claim for compensation (or waiver of land use regulations.)

To date, the City of Portland has received 91 claims for a total compensation of almost $260 million demanded. Most of these claims have been filed against Portland’s strong environmental protections, sign and billboard regulations. Other claims have also been filed against zoning and comprehensive plan changes as well as against “all regulations” placed on a particular property since purchased by the owner. A few claimants do not specify what they are claiming against.

The City Council has asked staff to place a high priority upon assisting claimants in achieving their development goals through the regular process. Many have been successful and have withdrawn their claims or put their claims “on hold” while City staff assist them. Of those considered by the City Council, two have been granted and ten have been denied, often on the grounds that City environmental protections preserve public health and safety.

More information about the City of Portland’s Measure 37 services can be viewed online at [www.portlandonline.com](http://www.portlandonline.com).
Managing Moisture in Houses

The moisture management strategies included in the current Oregon Residential Specialty Code, Chapter 11, Energy Efficiency were originally adopted in 1992. Primary strategies include vapor barriers (or, more accurately, vapor retarders) to prevent or slow down movement of water vapor from inside the building into the structural assemblies; and structural ventilation to dry out wet components such as attics, vaults and crawl spaces. (See “Moisture Control Measures” at www.oregon.gov/ENERGY/CONS/Codes/docs/res15.pdf for more details.)

For example, when a vaulted or cathedral type ceiling is built in a residence, the code aims to protect the structure from moisture damage by requiring a vapor retarder on the warm side of the assembly, and by requiring ventilation space above the insulation. The vapor barrier is intended to reduce the transport of water that is driven by vapor pressure. A ventilation space is intended to allow water vapor that reaches the roof sheathing and condenses, to dry out.

In recent years, further research and a more complete understanding of moisture and air dynamics in residential buildings has lead to additional effective moisture control strategies. Research has shown that water vapor diffusion driven by vapor pressure is not a major transport mechanism in Portland’s mild marine climate. That is because indoor vapor pressures are not very high for most of the year. Rather, air leakage is the primary way that water vapor is transported from indoor spaces into the structure. In a vaulted ceiling for example, the air leakage sites include recessed light fixtures, electrical boxes, ceiling exhaust fans, and other common penetrations like wires and plumbing vents. As warm room air leaks into the structure it carries water vapor with it, and when this moisture-laden air meets cold roof sheathing, the water condenses.

This discovery means that stopping air leaks into the structure is more important than vapor retarders in preventing moisture damage. The Oregon code does require air sealing of penetrations through the exterior envelope. However, because there is no performance standard associated with this requirement, neither the builder or the field inspector can determine how airtight the building is, or where air leakage sites may have been.

When warm room air leaks into the structural cavities and meets the cold roof sheathing condensation occurs.

This condensation is what causes moisture damage.

Preventing air leaks by improving air tightness is key to managing moisture in houses.


Find more information about insulation at Portland’s Office of Sustainable Development’s Web site: www.portlandonline.com/osd.

For more information on moisture control, visit www.buildingscience.com.
If building tightness were pressure-tested with a blower door, the overall tightness could be accurately determined, as well as locating individual leakage sites.

Air tightness can be achieved in several ways. One is to seal leakage sites in the exterior envelope using caulks and sealants. For example, low-expansion foam is often used between the rough opening and window and door frames. Another effective method is to completely fill cavities with insulation so that air cannot travel into the cavity. This blocks moisture transport as well as convective loops that degrade insulation effectiveness. Spray-in foam, wet-spray cellulose, dense-pack cellulose and spray-in fiberglass are examples of insulation techniques that completely fill structural cavities.

The code language (N104.8.2 Sealing required) is as follows: “Exterior joints around windows and door frames, between wall cavities and window or door frames, between wall and foundation, between wall and roof, between wall panels, at penetrations or utility services through walls, floors and roofs and all other openings in the exterior envelope shall be sealed in a manner approved by the building official.”

Note that the adequacy of sealing is determined by the field inspector. Because in 1992 air sealing was seen as a way to cut heat loss, rather than control moisture, it was not considered cost-effective to require that a building be performance tested.

A closed cell spray foam can act both as a vapor retarder to supplement the drywall and/or polyethylene, and as an air barrier to stop moisture-laden air from reaching the condensing plane of the roof sheathing. An open cell spray foam can have a vapor retarder applied by covering with two coats of latex paint. The interior side of the foam is warmer and unlikely to reach dew point temperature in Portland’s climate.


In the January 2007 Plans Examiner this photograph appeared in the Green Building Corner feature about Solar Energy, but was not given proper credit. We would like to correct that omission.

This photograph is of David Baasch, courtesy of Energy Trust of Oregon.

If you missed the January edition, you can access it and archived Plans Examiners online at [www.portlandonline.com/bds](http://www.portlandonline.com/bds) | select the Contact Us tab | choose Publications | select the year under Plans Examiner.
Building Official’s Role and Responsibilities

The State of Oregon requires each municipality that administers a building inspection program to appoint a Building Official to administer and enforce the program (ORS 455.150 (3)). Having recently received his certification, BDS Director Paul Scarlett has become the designated Building Official for the City of Portland.

As the City’s Building Official, Paul is responsible for attending to all aspects of code enforcement, including the issuance of all building permits. Additional responsibilities include:

- Code interpretation
- Oversight of Administrative Appeals Board
- Training & certification
- Fees
- Inspections
- Plan Review
- Operating Plan
- Revenues/expenditures
- Ex-officio member of the Appeals Board

Based on the amount of time and resources that the Building Official position requires, Paul has chosen to delegate certain responsibilities related to the position to the following BDS staff and he meets with them regularly. If you need assistance with any of the following, please contact the staff person below:

| Code Interpretation | Jim Nicks, Inspections Manager  
| Terry Whitehill, Plan Review Section Manager |
| Inspections | Jim Nicks, Inspections Manager  
| Ann Kohler, Site Development Manager |
| Permit Issuance Plan Review | Bonnie Morris, Permitting and Plan Review Manager |
| Operating Plan/Finance Training & Certification | Denise Kleim, Sr Business Operations Manager |

BDS Speakers Program Popular with Customers

In September 2006, BDS Director, Paul Scarlett, launched the Speakers Program to enhance the bureau’s partnerships with neighborhoods, businesses, development and educational groups by disseminating information on the programs and services the bureau has to offer. The Speakers Program has not only been a benefit to our external customers, but our internal customers as well. The program has served as an excellent source of education and cross-training between the sections and has helped build strong working relationships and mutual respect.

Currently, we have eight staff members that participate on a consistent basis. To date, our most popular customers have been title companies and real estate agencies. The most sought out presentations include:

- **The Value of a Permit** – Learn about permits, how they can protect your safety and investment, and what to do if work was done at a property without the required permits.

- **Planning & Zoning 101** – Get information about Portland’s Zoning Code, find out what zone a property is in, learn the meaning of building setbacks and get basic land division information.

- **Permit Information and Research** – Learn about the importance of researching permits, how and where to do the research and helpful tips for searching online.

- **The Get Legal Program** – Get information about this expanding program designed to help property owners legalize complex work completed without the benefit of permits and/or required land use reviews.

- **Tour of the Development Services Center** – Schedule a tour of the Development Services Center for your group to see the permitting process at work, meet our staff and learn what resources exist for conducting property research.

The bureau is also developing presentations that will cater to elementary, high school and college students and provide development-related information. This addition will enable the bureau to participate in Portland’s schools and colleges and interest students in future projects and/or careers with the bureau.

If you would like to schedule a presentation for your next event or you have ideas on topics we should explore, please visit the bureau’s Web site at www.portlandonline.com/bds | select the Contact Us tab | Customer Assistance | BDS Speakers Program. You can either fill out and submit the online speaker request form or contact Tiffani Penson, Public Outreach Coordinator, at 503-823-1109 to schedule a presentation.
**Code Update**

On April 1, 2007, two new codes become effective statewide:

1. The 2007 Oregon Structural Specialty Code (Building code) based on the 2006 IBC
2. The 2007 Oregon Mechanical Specialty Code (Mechanical Code) based on the 2006 IMC

As an alternate method, the City will allow an applicant to use either the old codes or the new codes for project submission through July 1, 2007.

To make use of the alternate, the applicant must choose and specify under which code they are designing their project.

Applicants are not allowed to ‘mix and match’ code provisions.

Beginning July 1, 2007 all projects will be reviewed using the new regulations.

Copies of the new codes can be obtained through either the Oregon Building Officials Association or the Building Tech Bookstore. Both organizations have Web sites that can be accessed by any interested party.

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**Mikal Shabazz Appointed Assistant to the BDS Director**

On Thursday, January 25, 2007, Paul Scarlett, Director of the Bureau of Development Services, announced that Mikal Shabazz has been temporarily appointed to a newly created Assistant to the Director position. Shabazz will be responsible for the overall management of the bureau’s Diversity Development/Cultural Competency and Affirmative Action Programs.

In addition to becoming a member of the bureau’s Senior Management Team and the new Equal Employment Opportunity Representative for the Bureau of Development Services, Shabazz is charged with addressing various levels of bureau work related to conflict resolution, relationship building, outreach, recruitment and a host of other assignments.

“This appointment is aimed at furthering one of my primary goals within the bureau and that is to foster and promote a positive, productive and accepting working environment for both our employees and customers”, says Scarlett. “Mikal brings years of experience and a wealth of knowledge to this new position and I look forward to him assisting me and the bureau in advancing the priorities and goals of the bureau”.

Shabazz has been with the City for 18 years. He worked as a Plumbing Inspector in both residential and commercial inspection programs, and most recently as a member of the Facility Permit Program as a Senior Plumbing Inspector. Shabazz has also served as Chairman of the bureau’s Diversity Committee for the past three years. He has also been instrumental in developing and implementing the bureau’s Comprehensive Diversity Plan and cultural competency training for bureau employees.

Shabazz brings years of experience to the position in dealing with cultural competency issues and facilitating resolution of complex interpersonal and group conflicts. He is an internationally known speaker on diversity issues and recently traveled to Sierra Leone to assist with health, infrastructure, and community issues.

“To evolve the concept of diversity from committee to commitment, there must be a firm resolve on the part of management to dismantle systemic exclusivity and construct from the ground up inclusivity not only in words but in deeds”, says Shabazz. “Change is not always easy, but necessary”.

You can contact Mikal Shabazz at 503-823-4806 with questions or to provide feedback about the bureau’s Diversity Development/Cultural Competency Program.
BDS Sponsors Landlord Training

Spring 2007 Landlord Training is now scheduled and open for registration. Twice a year the Neighborhood Inspections Section of the Bureau of Development Services coordinates this training. The one-day class focuses on keeping rental properties safe and free of illegal activity. The training is free, but registration is required.

Register now for this free class, topics covered include:
• Introduction, the impact of property
• Applicant screening
• Signs of dishonest applicants
• Rental agreements
• Ongoing management
• Partnerships with residents
• Property maintenance
• CPTED, crime prevention through environmental design
• Warning signs of illegal activity
• Crisis resolution/eviction
• Working with Police and Housing Maintenance Inspectors

2007 Spring Schedule

All classes have the same hours.
Registration at 8:00 am followed by the class from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

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Training Fee

There is no charge for Landlord training.

Manual

The manual will be available at the door for $20.00 each and is recommended as a valuable resource. You may view the manual online at www.portlandonline.com/bds.

Lunch

There will be a one-hour break in the middle of the class. Lunch is on your own.

Registration

The registration form is available online at www.portlandonline.com/bds, select Landlord Training Program under Quick Links.

Credit

You will be issued a certificate upon completing the class. This documents eight hours of training that can be used for real estate continuing education.

Questions?

Or to request additional registration materials call 503-823-7955 (TTY 503-823-6868).
Stormwater Management Manual 2010 Revision Survey

The Bureau of Environmental Services (BES) has a revised version scheduled for release this fall. However, some issues require a longer time frame to resolve and will be addressed in the next manual update in 2010. We would appreciate it if you would fill out the short survey below so we can consider users’ viewpoints as we begin to work on the 2010 revisions.

The Stormwater Advisory Committee has asked BES to consider revising the manual’s flow control and water quality standards for the 2010 Revision. These issues are summarized below.

Flow Control Standards: Do the current standards lead to flow control solutions that limit peak flows of larger storms but do not control smaller storms? Do flow control solutions that “shave the peak” of the hydrograph result in sustained elevated flow rates that may have negative impacts on receiving streams?

Water Quality Standards: Should the current 70 percent TSS removal requirement be changed—e.g., to another removal percentage or to another standard, such as effluent limits? Should the water quality standard be revised to reflect specific pollutants of concern or TMDLs by watershed, with specific design criteria and facility requirements targeted for each watershed?

1. Does the Stormwater Management Manual contain all the information needed to comply with its requirements?  ❑ YES  ❑ NO  If NO, what additional information is needed?

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2. Do you have any comments about the flow control/water quality issues identified above?

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3. Are there additional issues concerning the use or requirements of the manual that should be addressed in the 2010 revision process? Do you have any other comments?

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4. Have you used the Stormwater Management Manual before?  ❑ YES  ❑ NO

5. Are you a (check all that apply):
   ❑ Residential property owner  ❑ Contractor  ❑ Engineer
   ❑ Commercial property owner  ❑ Landscape architect  ❑ Planner
   ❑ Developer  ❑ Other: __________________________

Please return to: BES - Stormwater Manual Revision, 1120 SW Fifth Avenue, Room 1100, Portland, Oregon 97204
Or go to www.portlandonline.com/bes to complete this survey on-line

For information, comments, or questions:
E-mail: StormwaterManual@bes.ci.portland.or.us  or Telephone: Dawn Uchiyama, BES, 503-823-0050
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On the Internet visit: www.portlandonline.com/bds www.portlandonline.com/planning

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