
	BUILDING DEVELOPMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES COMMERCIAL	Effective Date: October 15, 2009
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	2.1 Building Plan Review Priority Processing	Issued by: Eric M. Mays, P.E.  Building Official

This is to establish the process for receiving building plan review priority processing. Following is a summary of the two programs:

Targeted Industries

1. The Office of Economic Development identifies that a proposed project is for a targeted industry.
2. A Building Plan Pre-Design or Project Early Assistance meeting is conducted between the owner's project team and the Building Development Division to review the project and establish lines of communication.
3. The goal of the program is to issue the building permit(s) in accordance with the owner's schedule. Generally, the first building permit can be issued within 30 days of the first building plan submission.

Commercial Construction

1. The owner is responsible for contracting directly with the International Code Council (ICC) [www.iccsafe.org/cs/techservices/] or a Peer Review Firm currently on Fairfax County's approved Peer Review List [<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/epr/>]
2. Once the ICC/Peer Review Firm's plan review is complete, the owner is to submit the revised plans, the ICC/Peer Review Firm's comment letter, and the designer's reply to all comments to the Building Development Division.
3. The project will be given priority processing which will reduce the plan review time to at least half of the current review time.