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BIA Builder Update & Roundtable Recording (4.14.20)

Allowable Construction by Jurisdiction

Clark County

For single-family and multi-family residential development and building projects, final inspection to complete the real estate transaction and construction work as necessary to prevent spoliation and avoid damage of previously erected structures is recognized.

All construction on existing residential structures (remodel, addition, site work, accessory structure, etc.) as is necessary for "emergency repairs and projects that ensure structural integrity" or on previously framed structures as described above will be inspected.

City of Battle Ground

Battle Ground allows construction to prevent spoilation and completion of pre-sold partially erected homes if the buyer is an "essential worker." An affidavit is required to be completed for pre-sold and partially erected homes. Prior approval is needed before any construction can resume.

City of Camas

Camas only allows construction to occur on projects that are explicitly exempt under the governor's Executive Order.

We are working with the city to develop a solution. Please encourage your customers (not you or subcontractors) to send a letter to the Mayor and City Council supporting our efforts. Download <u>letter format</u> and <u>talking points</u>.

City of La Center

La Center allows construction to prevent spoilation and completion of pre-sold partially erected homes. An affidavit is required to be completed for pre-sold and partially erected homes. Prior approval is needed before construction can resume. Contact Community Development (360-263-7666) for forms.

City of Ridgefield

Ridgefield allows construction to prevent spoliation (<u>Ridgefield Order #1</u>) and completion of pre-sold or partially erected homes if the buyer is an "essential worker." (<u>Ridgefield Order #2</u>). Prior approval is needed before any construction can resume.

City of Vancouver

Vancouver only allows construction to occur on projects that are explicitly exempt under the governor's Executive Order. However, some construction may be approved on a project by project basis.

Permit services: Land use, building and permit applications are available online or by phone 360-487-7800.

City of Washougal

Washougal only allows construction to occur on projects that are explicitly exempt under the governor's Executive Order. Inspections will be restricted to unoccupied structures. Buildings and structures must be completely vacant prior to inspections taking place. Skype, or other similar electronic media inspections may be utilized based on need and type of inspection.

Applications and plan submittals in compliance with the Governor's proclamation will be accepted by appointment only.

City of Yacolt

No information

Utilities

NW Natural Green Tags

NW Natural relies on a Green Tag placed by the building inspector/official to provide a visual indication for the approval of gas piping in a residential project. Since site visits are not happening in some jurisdictions NW Natural has created a Virtual Green Tag program.

Clark Public Utilities

Following normal procedures while adhering to "social distancing" protocol. If the project is accepted for inspection by a jurisdiction CPU will request an explanation of the project and how it complies with the governor's order and proceed.

Questions? Contact the building construction department at 360.992.8558

Energy Code Implementation delayed

Gov. Inslee announced a delay in implementing the new state building codes from July 1 to Nov. 1. BIA, BIAW and the Washington Association of Building Officials, asked the governor for the delay to ensure builders and officials could be adequately trained on the new codes prior to their implementation. This delay is crucial for our members to be fully educated on the changes in the codes and to allow for the materials to be available locally before the building codes are implemented.

BIAW Job Site Safety

<u>BIAW 10-Point Plan for Building a Safer Jobsite Poster</u> BIAW Residential Construction Covid-19 Job Site Requirements Proposal

BIAW Town Hall Webinars

COVID-19 Resources for Employers and Employees COVID-19 & Stay-at-Home Order: Ask A Lawyer

CARES Act Stimulus Package and Washington Unemployment Update for Businesses

CARES Act, Families First Coronavirus Response Act, & Unemployment Overview CARES Act, Families First Coronavirus Response Act, & Unemployment FAQ