



Development and Growth Management Development Coordination Division

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION – SPECIAL USE SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE DETERMINATION (SUB)

Please be aware that these instructions are provided as a guide to assist you in submitting your application online in the City's Accela Citizen Access system.

Application guidelines are derived from Chapter 27 Zoning and City Policy.

PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY

It is recommended that you contact a representative of Development and Growth Management (DGM) Development Coordination (DC) Division at TampaZoning@tampagov.net or (813) 274-3100, option 2, prior to submitting your application to ensure that you receive the correct guidance for your needs.

Submittal of an Electronic Application

- The application must be submitted online through the City's Accela Citizen Access (ACA) system at aca.tampagov.net.
- All information in Accela marked with an asterisk must be completed via the online form.
- All information requested or required by the application such as the owner/agent affidavit, any exhibits, a survey, and the Site Plan must be uploaded into Accela into the electronic record.

Fees

- Application (record) fees will be assessed through the Accela system when the application is accepted by staff.
- Fees are determined by City Council by resolution.
- Fees are payable online via MasterCard, VISA, American Express or Discover or through e-check.
- Personal checks and cash are not accepted.



DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST

Justification for the Substantial Change Determination (SUB) request must be uploaded into Accela identifying compliance with [Section 27-128](#).

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

- A copy of the **approved Site Plan** with elevations must be submitted, and
- A **proposed site plan** is required and must clearly identify the proposed changes under consideration. If changes are proposed to currently approved elevations, revised elevations are required. (Site plan instructions and an example site plan are attached.)

Public Notice

The SUB application requires public notice in accordance with [Section 27-149](#) of the City of Tampa Code of Ordinances. Once your application has been accepted, Development Coordination staff will provide instructions, the required documents, sign(s), and scheduling guidance to complete the notice process.

Note: Please check the Plat, Survey, Title Policy and all other documentation relating to your property prior to any application for design and construction. The City of Tampa and its staff DO NOT review for compliance with individual private deed restrictions and covenants.



SPECIAL USE SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE DETERMINATION (SUB)

**AFFIDAVIT TO APPLY FOR A ZONING CODE RELATED APPLICATION and AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR AN APPLICATION TO
THE CITY OF TAMPA**

Multiple authorizations may be necessary if there is more than one property owner.

APPLICATION/RECORD NUMBER: _____

PROPERTY (LOCATION) ADDRESS(ES): _____

FOLIO NUMBER(S): _____

“That I am (we are) the owner(s) and record title holder(s) of the property noted herein”

Property Owner’s Name(s): _____ *

“That this property constitutes the subject of an application for the SPECIAL USE SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE DETERMINATION (SUB).

I, THE UNDERSIGNED OWNER, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION ON THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE AND COMPLETE AND HEREBY AUTHORIZE AND ALLOW REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY TO ACCESS THE PROPERTY UNDERGOING REVIEW FOR THE ABOVE REFERENCED REQUEST. IF MY PROPERTY IS GATED, I WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY UPON REQUEST FROM THE CITY. I ALSO CONSENT TO THE POSTING OF A SIGN ON MY PROPERTY IF THERE IS A THIRD-PARTY SUBMITTAL OF A PETITION FOR REVIEW.

"That this affidavit has been executed to induce the City of Tampa, Florida, to consider and act on the above-described application and that the undersigned has(have) appointed and does(do) appoint the agent(s) stated herein as his/her(their) agent(s) solely to execute any application(s) or other documentation necessary to affect such application(s)" (if applicable)

AGENT’S/FIRM NAME: _____

The undersigned authorizes the above agent/firm(s) to represent me (us) and act as my (our) agent(s) at any public hearing on this matter (if applicable).



The undersigned authorizes the above agent(s) to agree to any conditions necessary to effectuate this application. Both owner and agent must sign and have their names notarized.

Section 1: Owner Certification

STATE of FLORIDA

COUNTY of _____

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of physical present or online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 202____, by:

Printed Name (Owner): _____

Signature: _____

Signature and Stamp of Notary Public: _____

Personally known or produced identification

Type of identification: _____



Section 2: Agent Certification

STATE of FLORIDA

COUNTY of _____

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me by means of physical present or online notarization, this _____ day of _____, 202____, by:

Printed Name (Agent): _____

Signature: _____

Signature and Stamp of Notary Public: _____

Personally known or produced identification

Type of identification: _____

* If the applicant/owner is a corporation, trust, LLC, Professional Association or similar type of arrangement, please provide documentation from the corporation, trust, etc., indicating that you have the ability to authorize the application.



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SPECIAL USE SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE DETERMINATION (SUB) APPLICATION SITE PLAN REQUIREMENTS

An application for Substantial Change Determination (SUB) requires submittal of a Site Plan. The Site Plan must be drawn to-scale, i.e., to an engineer's scale with a ratio such as 1" = 10'. The Site Plan must identify changes proposed.

REQUIRED GENERAL INFORMATION

- North Arrow, legend, scale.
- Drawing size (minimum allowed): 24" x 36" (alternate sizes may be permitted by the Zoning Administrator).
- Total acreage of the site.
- Total floor area ratio and total building square footage, if applicable.
- Business hours of operation, if applicable.
- Statement of commitment to comply with all applicable City of Tampa development regulations.

EXISTING CONDITIONS

- Approximate location, size, and type of existing trees, water bodies, vegetation and other significant natural features on and within 20' of the subject property.
- Name, location and width of all existing street and alley rights-of-way, within or adjacent to the site.
- Existing type and width of pavement on all streets and alley within or adjacent to the site.
- Location, width and use of all easements within or adjacent to the site.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS – As Applicable

***For those permit requests that involve change of use, building additions, increases in intensity, aggregation of lands, change in area, etc., the site plan shall provide the following:*



- Location, size, height and use of all existing and proposed structures.
- Proposed or existing building setbacks.
- Total floor area by “indoor” and “outdoor” and by floor, if multiple floors.
- Location and purpose of all areas dedicated or reserved to the public or to the inhabitants of the project.
- Location and dimensions of proposed parking and service areas, including typical parking and service areas, including typical parking space dimensions.
- Proposed circulation pattern, including access to adjacent streets and/or alleys.
- Proposed parking area landscaping.
- Proposed buffering from adjacent residential Zoning Districts.
- Proposed location and method of Stormwater retention.
- Proposed location and screening of solid waste containers.
- Proposed location, size, and total amount of required open space.
- Proposed location of new sidewalks and their dimension.



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BUILDING IMPORVEMENTS:

Include State of Florida Building Code definition for types of construction proposed and existing; elevations of all sides of structures required for new construction; if structures are existing, current photographs may be provided in-lieu of building elevations.

EXAMPLE

24" MAX

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SPECIAL USE SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE DETERMINATION REQUEST
 (Please provide a plan narrative.)

**LOCATION
MAP:**

- PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS (DRAWING):**
- Name, location, and width of existing street and alley rights-of-way, adjacent to the site.
 - Width of existing pavement on all streets and alleys adjacent to the site.
 - Location, width and type of all easements adjacent to the site.
 - Clearly show the property boundaries of the parcel(s) involved in the special use.
 - Location, size, height and use of all proposed additions and/or new buildings.
 - Existing and proposed building setbacks
 - Location and dimension of existing and proposed driveways, and parking areas include typical parking space.
 - Existing and proposed parking lot landscaping.
 - Approximate location and size of significant natural features such as trees, lakes, etc.
 - Existing and proposed buffering from adjacent uses.
- Show conceptual layout of proposed retention system.

LEGEND:

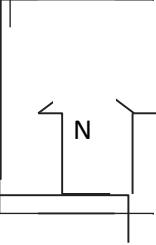
Case No.:	_____	Date:	_____
Date	City	Council Chairman	_____
Date	City	Clerk	_____
Certified Date	Zoning Administrator		

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

- Address
- Folio Number
- Square Footage

GENERAL NOTES:

TITLE BLOCK;
 -The site plan must be to scale.
 Show North arrow.
 -Project name and location.
 -Firm's name and address
 State scale on drawing
 - Revision block.
 - Drawing data.



THIS EXAMPLE FOR GENERAL INFORMATION ONLY

36" MAX

SUB SITE PLAN EXAMPLE