Development Permit Process Change of Use Development Permits

Any **development** (including a building or an addition, a change of use or a change in the intensity of use of land or a building) must have a Development Permit, unless the Land Use Bylaw specifically exempts that development.

Change of Use Development Permits have 3 categories based on which type of use the land use district (zone) defines it as. Each district has Permitted Uses and Discretionary Uses, if a Permitted Use cannot meet the rules, a relaxation of the rules can be requested.

Change of Use Development Permit Types

Permitted

average number of days to approval – 6 days

- no circulation
- no advertising
- no appeal

Permitted with relaxation

- average number of days to approval – 43 days
- circulation to City departments and external stakeholders
- advertising of approval
- appeal allowed, only on rule relaxed

Discretionary

- average number of days to approval **58 days**
- circulation to City departments and external stakeholders
- may be notice posted on site
- advertising of approval
- appeal allowed

Proposed Bylaw would allow any use listed in a district (Permitted or Discretionary) to proceed to a building permit without a Development Permit. Proposed Bylaw lists some uses in sections 4 and 5 that cannot be exempted.