# Zoning & eCLIPSE L&I's Zoning Webinar Series

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# Zoning & eCLIPSE Webinar

- Topics:
  - About eCLIPSE
  - How to File a Zoning Permit Application in eCLIPSE
  - Prerequisite Approvals
  - Accessing Your Permit
  - Appeals
  - Contacting L&I
- Use the Q&A feature to ask questions.
- Please keep questions general no address-specific questions.
- The slide deck will be posted on the website.
- A poll must be completed at the end of the presentation to receive CEU's.

# **Zoning Webinar Series**



New Date!

Slide decks of prior sessions can be found on L&I's website. Future sessions will be advertised on the website and newsletter.

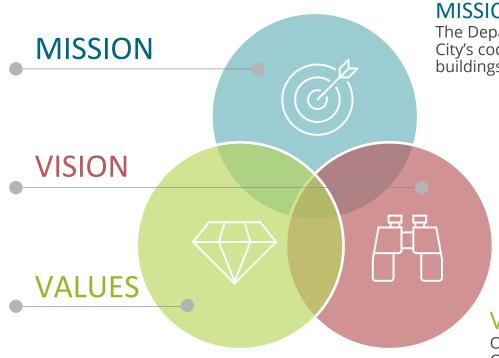
# About L&I

What Does L&I Do?

The Department of Licenses and Inspections (L&I) enforces the City of Philadelphia's construction, fire, zoning, business compliance and property maintenance codes through the issuance of licenses and permits and through building and property inspections. Contractors, business and property owners, landlords, and tenants are all served by L&I.



## L&I's Mission & Vision



#### **MISSION**

The Department of Licenses & Inspections (L&I) enforces the City's codes for the safe and lawful construction and use of buildings.

#### VISION

To build and sustain a safer Philadelphia, L&I embraces best practices in technology and customer service. We enable the public to access information, secure required approvals, and comply with building safety requirements in a convenient, reliable, and transparent manner.

L&I achieves code compliance through collaboration, education, and effective enforcement measures that hold businesses, contractors, and property owners accountable.

#### **VALUES**

Our core values: Accessibility, Accountability, Consistency, Integrity, Transparency

## What Does L&I Do?

#### As part of our mission, we:

- Review building plans and applications and issue permits in accordance with the City's construction and zoning codes.
- Inspect construction projects for code compliance.
- Inspect higher-risk properties for compliance with the Fire Code.
- Respond to complaints regarding suspected Property Maintenance Code, Fire Code and Business Compliance violations.
- Inspect, monitor, seal, and demolish vacant and/or dangerous buildings.
- Issue trade and business licenses, including rental property licenses.
- Help landlords and tenants understand their responsibilities.

## Transparency

One of L&I's core values is transparency. The resources below can be used by the public to access L&I related information and records.

Atlas

https://atlas.phila.gov/
 History of permits, licenses, inspections and appeals at any address
 Access zoning information at any address (district, overlays and archive)

https://www.phila.gov/li
 Detailed descriptions of our services, permit status tracker, access to eCLIPSE, newsletters, FAQs, etc.

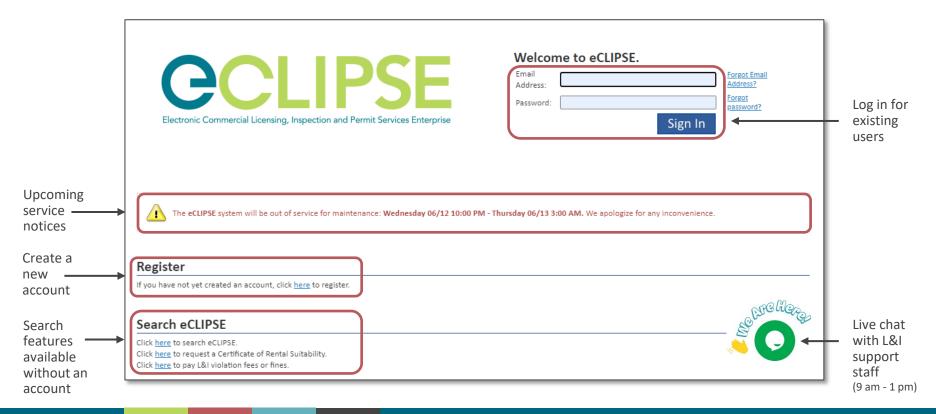
https://www.opendataphilly.org/
 Download searchable data sets for permits, licenses, appeals, etc.
 Data can be sorted by council district, census tract, date, status etc.

# About eCLIPSE

### **eCLIPSE**

- eCLIPSE is the system that L&I currently uses to issue permits, licenses, certificates, and violations.
- eCLIPSE allows users to apply for permits and licenses without physically coming to one of L&I's offices.
- Permits have been issued through eCLIPSE since March 2020.
- The web address is <a href="https://eclipse.phila.gov/">https://eclipse.phila.gov/</a>

### **eCLIPSE**



# Applying a Zoning Permit Application in eCLIPSE



You can use eCLIPSE to apply for, view, and manage Department of Licenses & Inspections (L&I) trade licenses, business licenses, permits, certificates, appeals and Streets Department reviews.

For help please visit our eCLIPSE help resources:

L&I eCLIPSE Resources

L&I Help

Streets Department Help

<u>311</u> or call 215-686-8686 for assistance

#### ACTIVITY LICENSES TRADE LICENSES Register for a New Activity License Apply for a Trade License Associate an Activity License Renew a Trade License Amend a Trade License PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION Associate a Trade License Apply for a Registration PERMITS & CERTIFICATES OTHER Apply for a Permit or Get a Certificate Associate with a Permit / Project Create a Project Request a CRS Report STREETS DEPARTMENT Apply for a Streets Department Review Make an Appeal

Associate with a Streets Review

#### ZONING

Change of use



Fence only



Lot line adjustment



New construction / addition / partial demolition



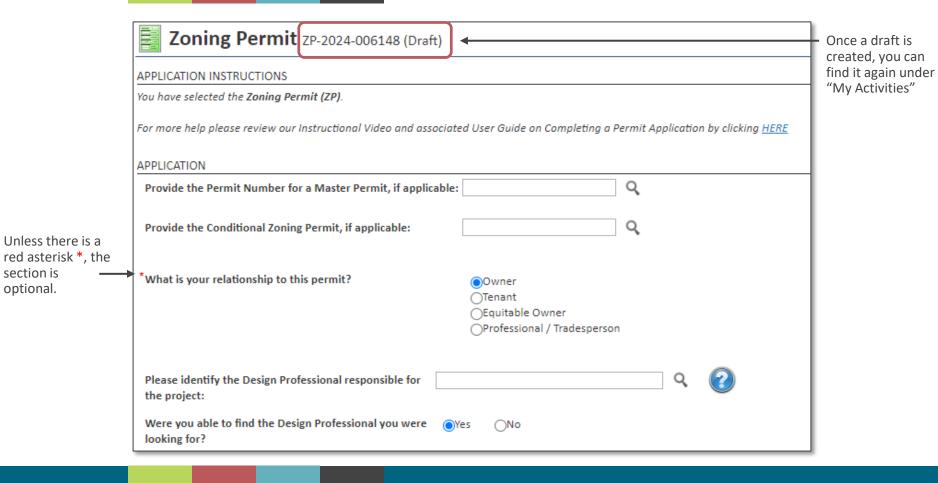
Parking only



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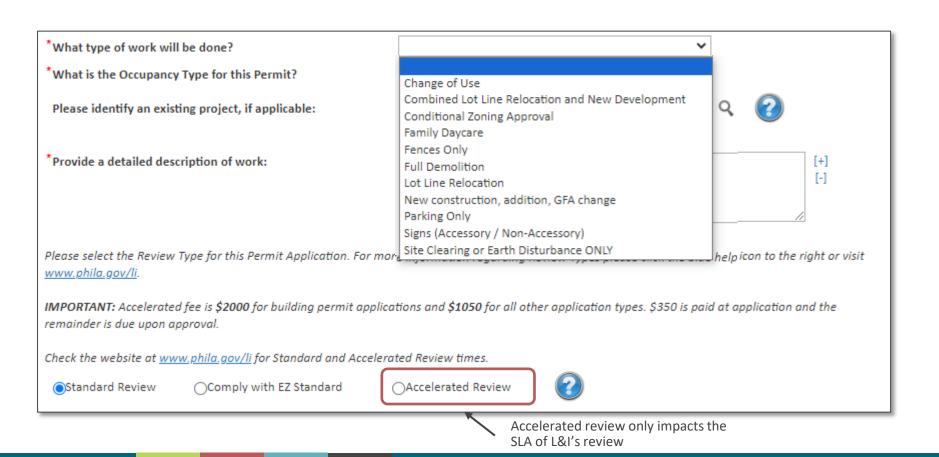


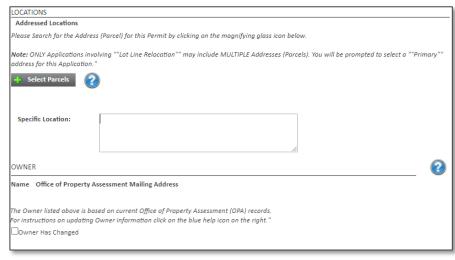
Complete demolition

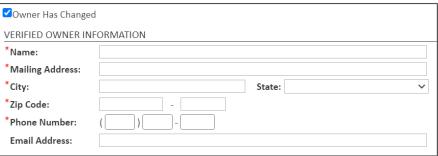


section is

optional.







#### Finds OPA parcel addresses

For condos, zoning permits issued to underlying Parcel

### Multiple selections should only be entered if the application involves a lot adjustment

- Required to select a primary address
- A development or use permit should be issued under each lot involved.

#### Ownership changes must be identified

- Refers to owner in fee
- Only updates permit record.
- Evidence of the change in ownership req'd

#### **Property Owner Contacts**

• If the property is NOT owned by a natural person(s) or publicly-traded company, the names and mailing addresses of the persons with the largest ownership interest must be provided.

PROPERTY OWNER COI	NTACTS	
	not owned by a natural person or a publicly-traded company, please select the checbox belions at 49% ownership interest in the property or up to two persons who hold the largest own	
✓ Property is NOT or	wned by an individual or a publicly-traded company.	
OWNER CONTACT 1		
*Name:		
*Mailing Address:		
OWNER CONTACT 2		
Name:		
Mailing Address:		



#### Zoning Permit ZP-2020-001063 (Draft)

#### PROPERTY INFORMATION

The items below indicate the potential impacts to this Permit based on the geographic locatio blue help icon to the right.

Any checked boxes are read-only. You do not need to provide any information on this page.

Planning Commission Interest:

Art Commission Interest:

Historic Resource:

Located in 100-year Floodplain:

Adjacent to Green Infrastructure:

Located in Steep Slope Area:

Corner Property:

L&I Inspection District: CENTRAL WEST

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#### REVIEW QUESTIONS

Use the boxes below to provide as much information about the work included with this Application

Note: Incomplete or incorrect information provided may result in the additional reviews by L&I (or other City Depa

#### OTHER DEPARTMENT REVIEWS:

The following conditions outline all situations where this Application may require review by other City of Philadelphia

#### Philadelphia Art Commission

1515 Arch St, 13th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102, Tel: (215) 686-2095 or Email: ArtCommission@phila.gov

Does your zoning permit application involve any one of the following items?

- Public art submitted to meet a Floor Area Bonuses.
- Public art submitted to meet development requirements of SP-ENT Zoning District,
- · Projecting signs over any public right-of-way, or
- Building Identification Signs

If 'yes' to any of the above, check the box below."

Philadelphia Art Commission Review Required?

#### Planning City Planning Commission

1515 Arch St, 13th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19102, Tel: (215) 683-2615 or Email: planning@phila.gov

Does your zoning permit application involve **any one** of the following items?

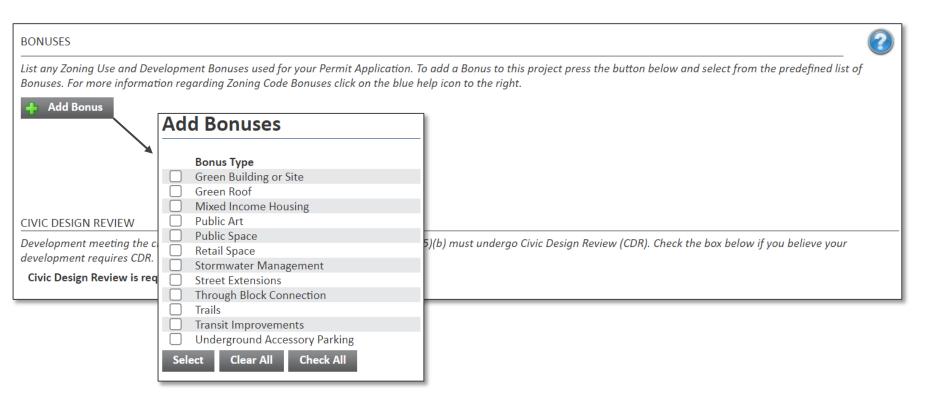
- ullet Parcels with more than one street frontage where a primary frontage needs to be determined per § 14-701(1)(d),
- Landscaping and screening for parking lots,
- . Screening for Wireless Service Facilities (Freestanding Towers) that does not conform to the list of trees recommend
- . Development in CMX-4 and CMX-5 Zoning Districts utilizing Sky Plane Controls,
- Development in /CDO Overlay that use the 'Optional Special Standards' of the Zoning Code,
- Parking garages in RMX-3, CMX-3, CMX-4, and CMX-5 districts and parking garages of at least 250 parking spaces
- Development in CMX-4 and CMX-5 Zoning Districts utilizing Sky Plane Controls

If 'yes' to any of the above, check the box below."

Philadelphia City Planning Commission Review Required?

Selections made on this page trigger reviews that are conducted by other departments.

Incomplete or incorrect information provided may result in delays.





#### Zoning Permit ZP-2020-001063 (Draft)

Additional documents may be needed for your Application. Any Attachment Type noted as 'Required' must be uploaded and the 'Document Type' selected from the drop-down menu.

Attachments Types identified as 'Optional' may still be required by the Department based on your scope of work. For more information regarding this and other plan submission standards click on the blue help icon to the right."

#### DOCUMENTS TO ATTACH



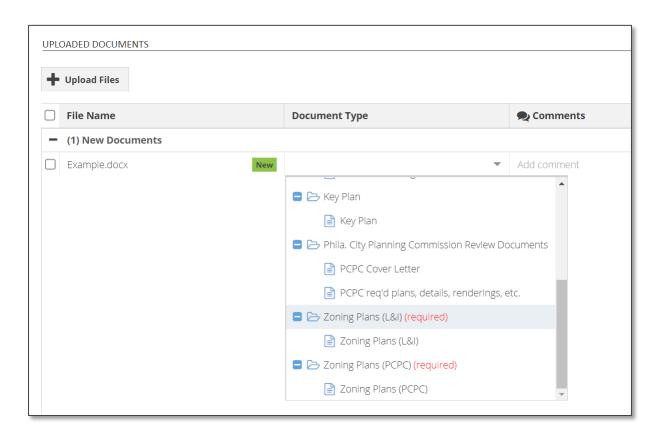
Uploaded	Attachment Type	Description	Sample Form	
	Board Authorization	Formal letter required from the City of Philadelphia Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) or Board of Building Standards (BBS) authorizing any change to plans or submitted documents previously formally REFUSED by the Department.	None	Optional
	Dept. of Parks and Recreation (DPR) Approval	Approval notice and associated plans issued by the Philadelphia Dept. of Parks and Recreation (DPR) for the proposed work.	None	Optional
	Easement Agreements (Draft)	Legal description of any easements pertaining to the parcel	None	Optional
	Key Plan	Simplified plan showing either layout of buildings on the site if the property is a multi-building site or tenant-/suite-spaces if the structure is a multi-tenant building	None	Optional
	Miscellaneous Documents (as requested by L&I)	Documents directly requested by L&I Plans Examiners or other staff when needed for review or approval of the proposed work. DO NOT select this Document Type unless directly requested by L&I Staff as part of their approval or review. DOCUMENTS UPLOADED with this Document Type will NOT BE REVIEWED unless directly requested by L&I Staff	None	Optional
	Zoning Plans (Z-series)	Plans showing the height, area, and associated massing of any structure or development including summary tables of applicable Zoning provisions, flood hazard information, property lines, Use categories, etc.	None	Required

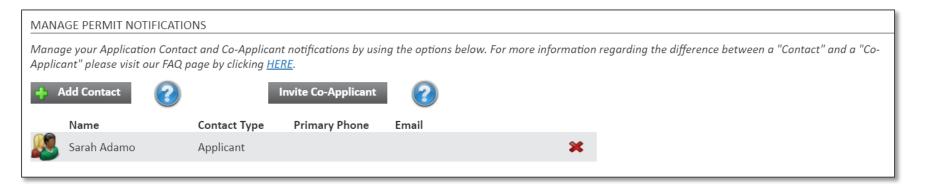
#### UPLOADED DOCUMENTS



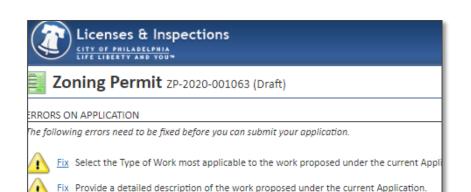
Upload Files

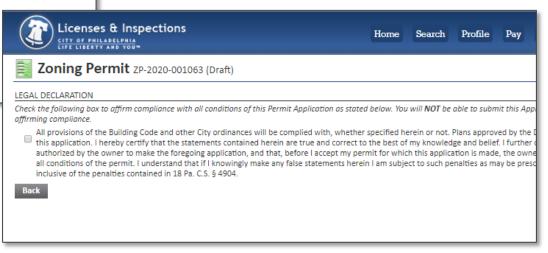
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- Contacts may be notified via email when a permit is issued, when any reviews have been completed, or when a payment is due. Contacts, other than the primary applicant, cannot view or edit the permit details.
- Co-Applicants will have the same level of access as the primary applicant





# **Payment Options**

- Filing Fee Due at Application:
  - \$25 for Single- or Two-Family Dwellings, \$100 for all other
- Electronic check free of charge
- Credit Card 2.10% surcharge
- Debit Card \$3.45 fee
- Paper checks, money orders, and cash will still be accepted at our cashier station;
   however, it will delay processing up to 3 business days
- There is a \$500,000 limit for online payments.

## **L&I** Review Times

APPLICATION TYPE	BUSINESS DAYS
Use Change	5*
Full Demo	5*
One/Two Family	15
All Others	20

<sup>\*</sup> By-Right applications submitted at the Permit Center will receive the permits over the counter. Limit three applications.

# Prerequisite Approvals

# **Department Reviews**

- Reviews through eCLIPSE
  - City Planning Commission
  - PWD (affirmation only)
  - Streets Right of Way (ROW)
  - Art Commission
- Reviews outside of eCLIPSE
  - Civic Design Review (CDR)
  - Parks and Rec
  - Streets Surveys
  - PHC (Applicant must indicate that review is required in scope of work, review is triggered by L&I. See <u>Info Sheet</u>)

#### Prerequisite approval processes 🕒

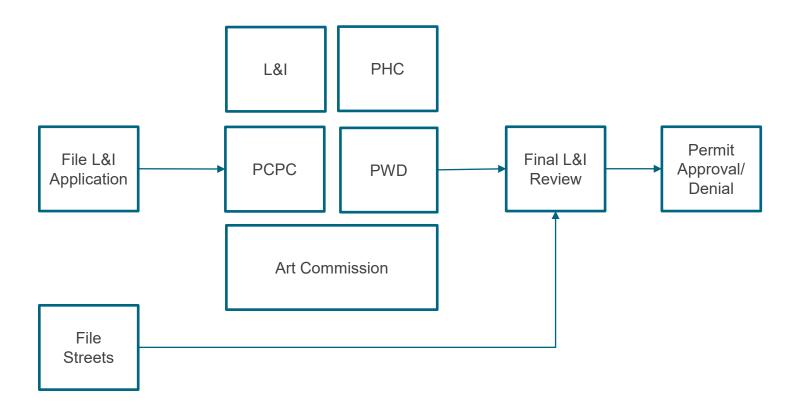
Use these instructions for processes of pre-approvals in eCLIPSE.

Search keywords



† Title	<b>‡</b> Date	Copy Link
Art Commission pre-requisite approval in eCLIPSE	December 21, 2023	<u>.</u>
City Planning pre-requisite approval process in eCLIPSE	August 7, 2023	<u>.                                    </u>
Fire Department pre-requisite approval process in eCLIPSE	August 7, 2023	<u>.                                    </u>
Parks and Recreation pre-requisite approval process in eCLIPSE	August 7, 2023	<u>.</u>
Philadelphia Historical Commission pre-requisite approval process in eCLIPSE	August 7, 2023	<u>.                                    </u>
Streets Department pre-requisite approval process in eCLIPSE	August 7, 2023	<u>.                                    </u>
Water Department pre-requisite approval process in eCLIPSE	August 7, 2023	<u>.</u>

The eCLIPSE help page on L&I's website provides additional information about the prerequisite approval process for each department.



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#### Zoning Permit ZP-2020-000101 (In Review)

Status: In Review Application Date: Mar 11, 2020

Issue Date:

Completed Date:

Expiration Date: Dec 31, 9999

Description: Commercial - Lot Line Relocation

Details

Reviews

Inspections

Project Activity

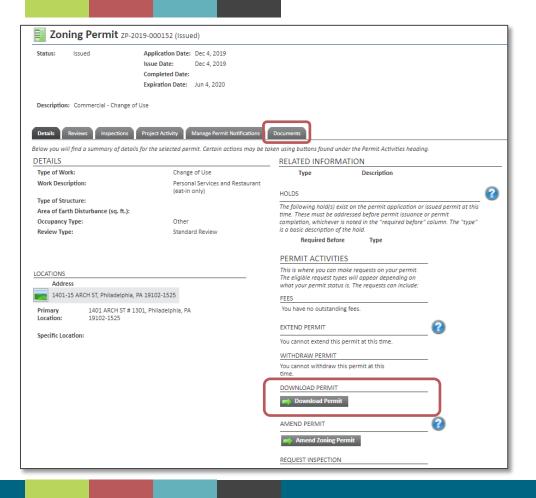
Manage Permit Notifications

This is a listing of all the Reviews that are part of this Permit. Scroll down to the bottom of the page to download documents previously reviewed by L&I or other City Agencies. If additional information was requested click on the "Additional Information Requested" link above. For more help please review our Instructional Video and associated User Guide on Permit Reviews by clicking HERE.

#### REVIEW STATUS

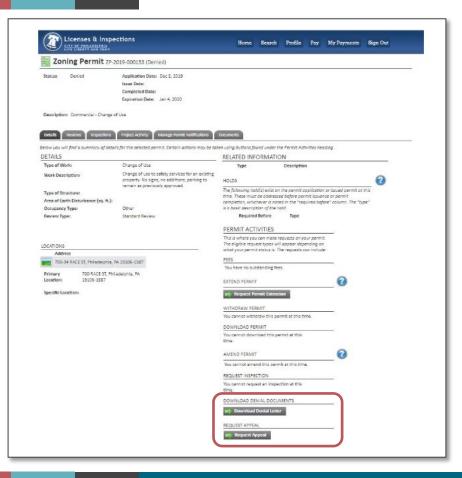
Review	Status	Corrections	Comments	Reviewer Comments
LI Zoning Accelerated ePlan	Started (Due: Apr 21, 2020)			
Planning Commission - Develo	Completed	<b>A</b> 1		See plan notation regarding lot area.

# Accessing Your Zoning Permit



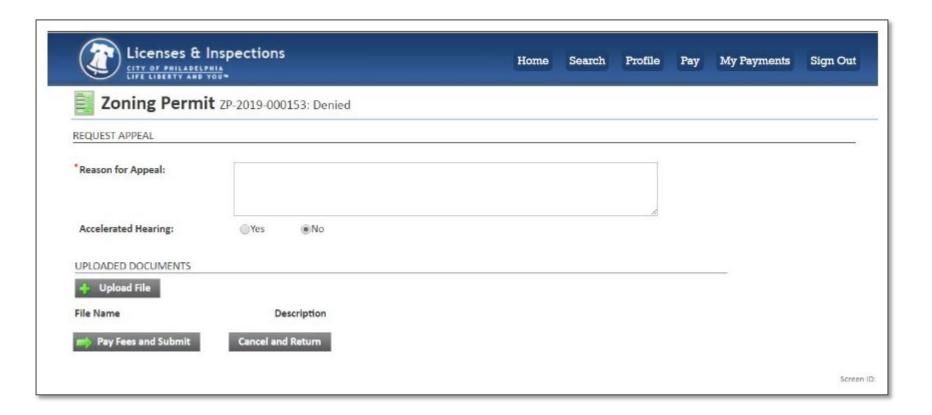
If an application includes plans, a 'Documents' tab will also appear

# Appeals





	Notice of:	⊠ Refusal □	Referral
Application Number: ZP-2020-000017		Zoning District(s): RM1	Date of Refusal: 4/13/2020
Address/Location: 1248 N 19TH ST, Philit Parcel (PWD Record)	adelphia, PA 19121-4902	2	Page Number Page 1 of 1
Applicant Name:		Applicant Address:	
	acried structure to be used t	as single-family nousehold living, size and	d location as shown on plan/application.
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### **Process**

- How to Guide is available on L&I's website.
- Appeal may be filed through the online portal.
- Notices of Decision are provided from the ZBA to L&I.
- Proviso plans/forms may be submitted:
  - 'Amend Permit' through the online portal
  - Drop off at MSB
- Submit proviso plans promptly to avoid processing delays.
- There is a \$75 fee associated with amendments.

## **Granting an Attorney Access**

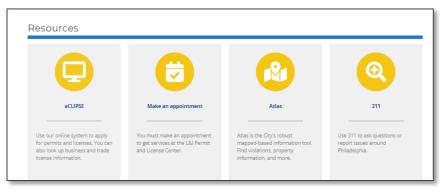
- Open Permit Job through web portal.
- Obtain association Code from Manage Permit Applications/ Invite Co-Applicant
- Attorney logs on to their account, selects 'Associate a Permit, and enters permit number and code.





# Contacting L&I

## Virtual and In-Person Appointments



- o Make an appointment:
  - Online
  - Call 311
  - Download app
  - MSB kiosk



### Chat

- Accessible through any eCLIPSE screen
- Currently Available 9 AM 1 PM
- Live chat will show "We Are Here!"
- Use chat for targeted application assistance, eCLIPSE questions, and escalations
- Do not use chat for assistance in walking through application, plan reviewer or inspector questions, and questions unrelated to eCLIPSE





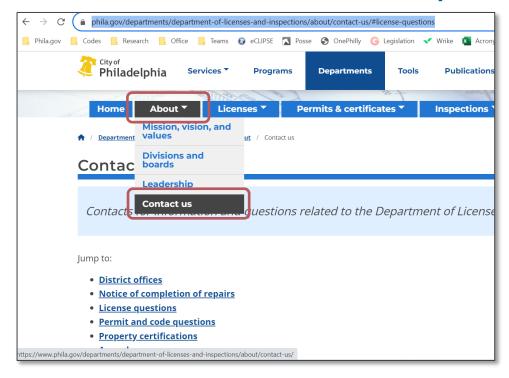
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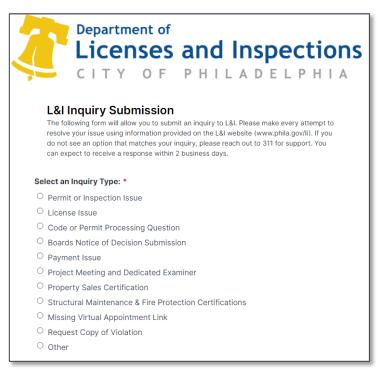


**Service Request:** 

including status of pastdue reviews, holds, permit access, specific code/ process questions. Go to "About" then "Contact Us"

### Service Request Contact

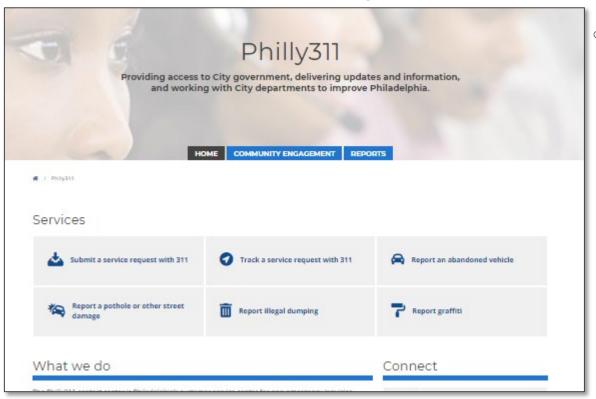




## Self Help Resources

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Permits materials	Accelerated plan review	
	@ Building permits	
	© Construction impacting adjacent property	
	Demolition permits	
		More +
Renting and housing		
	© Certificate of rental suitability	
	Commercial leasing notice guide	
	Partners in good housing	
	Real estate and property	
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Important updates and changes	L&I changes log	
	Toning legislation changes	
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## Philly 311 Call Center



- Contact 311 (215-686-8686) for:
  - Service requests
  - Direction on connecting with L&I
  - Basic information on available L&I services
  - Basic eCLIPSE help (i.e. password re-set)

## Web Services

Get a Permit	Permit Requirements and Exemptions
Get a Trade License	Contractor License Requirements
Get a Business License	Business License Requirements
Contractor Inspections	Scheduling Inspections and Submitting Permit Certs
eCLIPSE	Online eCLIPSE Portal
eCLIPSE Help	eCLIPSE Self-help videos, how-to-guides, and FAQs
Contact Us	Contacts for L&I

### **L&I Newsletter**

- Stay up to date with L&I related updates by signing up for our newsletter.
- o Go to L&I's website and scroll down to "Sign up for our newsletter"

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L&I's newsletter helps you stay up-to-date about permits, licenses, and more.



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