



Applying for a Permit

Long Form and Short Form Permits

Applying for a permit in Boston is a crucial step in any construction project, and understanding the process is essential for success. Here's a breakdown of short form and long form permits:

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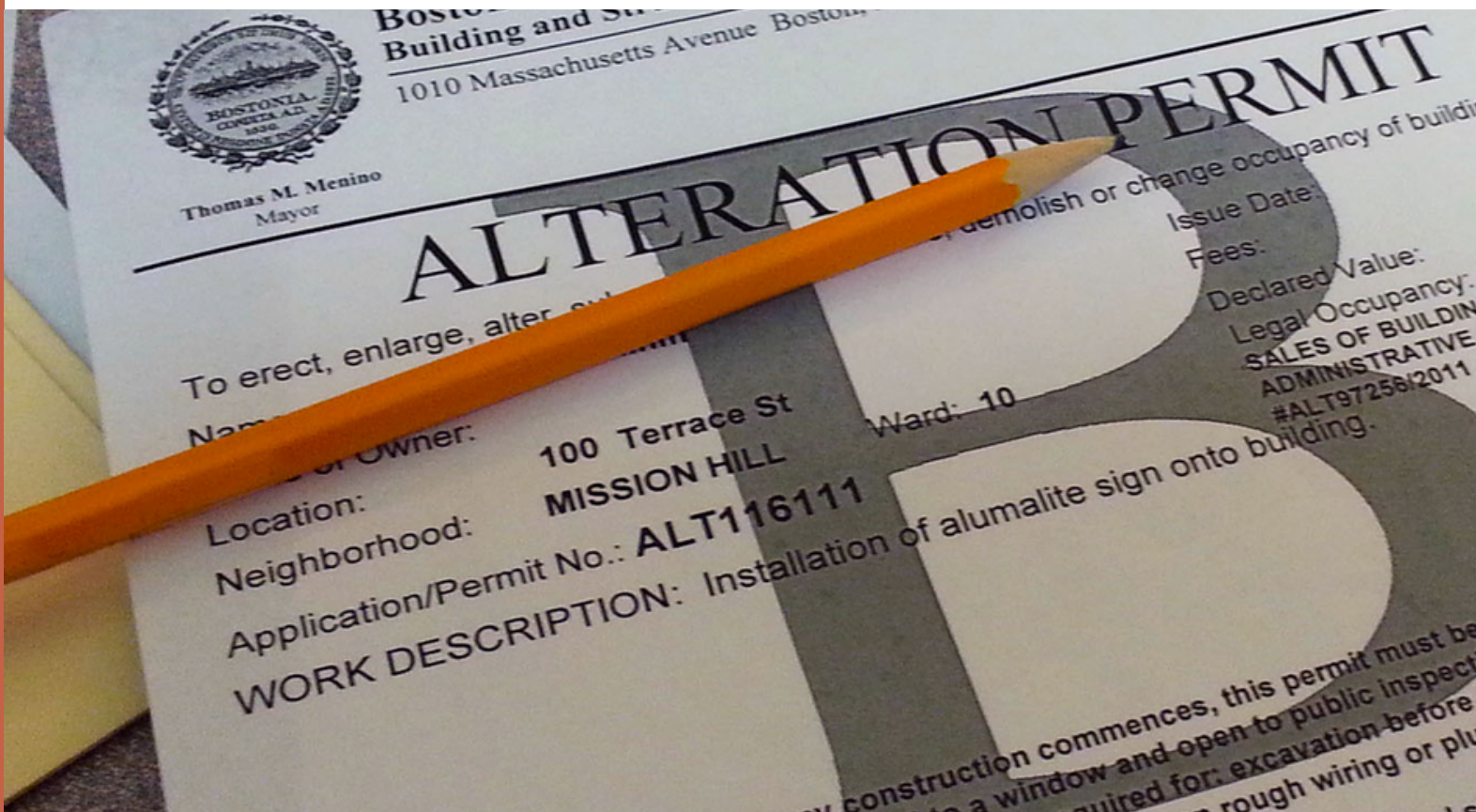
Short Form Permits:

Definition: Designed for minor construction projects, limited to three stories or less, with a total cost below \$100,000.

Requirements: Detailed plans and specifications, including project scope, materials, and equipment, must be provided.

Review Process: Generally faster, typically completed within 10 business days, but can vary based on project complexity and application volume.

Fees: Vary based on project scope, typically ranging from \$30 to \$100.



Long Form Permits:

Definition: Intended for complex projects exceeding three stories or costing more than \$100,000.

Requirements: Detailed architectural, engineering drawings, site plans, and environmental impact reports are necessary.

Review Process: More extensive, lasting 30 to 60 business days, involving review by multiple city departments, public hearings, and community input.

Fees: Vary greatly depending on project scope, typically ranging from \$100 to \$5,000 or more.

Whether applying for a short or long form permit in Boston, understanding requirements, review processes, and associated fees is crucial. Collaborating with experienced professionals familiar with local regulations can greatly facilitate the application process and ensure a smooth construction project.



Building Permit Applications

The Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS) Staff and state building inspectors have created building permit application forms for state...

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