

Project Address: _____



APPLICATION FOR DESIGN REVIEW

CITY OF BELVEDERE • PLANNING DEPARTMENT
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Date: _____ Rec'd. by: _____ Planning Comm. Approval
 Design Review Exception
 Amount: _____ Project Number: _____ Staff Approval
 Parcel No.: _____ Zone: _____
 Located in Flood Zone AE VE N/A

SECTION 1 • PROJECT SUMMARY

Does this project have an active building permit? No Yes Permit No.: _____

Is this property adjacent to a City Owned Lane? No Yes

Is there an Existing Revocable License for this property? No Yes Lic # _____

Does this project have Planning Commission approval? No Yes

Address of Property: _____

Record Owner of Property: _____

Mailing _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Address: _____ Fax: _____

_____ Email: _____

Owner's Representative: _____

Mailing _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Address: _____ Fax: _____

_____ Email: _____

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ZONING PARAMETERS:

	<u>Required</u>	<u>Existing</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Lot Area	_____	_____	_____
Lot Coverage	_____	_____	_____
Total Floor Area	_____	_____	_____
Front Yard Setback	_____	_____	_____
Left Sideyard Setback	_____	_____	_____
Right Sideyard Setback	_____	_____	_____
Rear Yard Setback	_____	_____	_____
Building Height Maximum	_____	_____	_____
Building Height Average	_____	_____	_____
Parking Spaces	_____	_____	_____

SECTION 2 • ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY CEQA

(To Be Completed by Applicant)

Date Filed: _____

General Information

1. Name and address of developer or project sponsor: _____
2. Address of project: _____
3. Name, address, and telephone number of person to be contacted concerning this project: _____

4. Indicate number of the permit application for the project to which this form pertains: _____
5. List and describe any other related permits and other public approvals required for this project, including those required by city, regional, state and federal agencies: _____

6. Existing zoning district: _____
7. Proposed use of site (Project for which this form is filed): _____

8. Year built: _____ Original architect: _____

Project Description

9. Site size. _____
10. Square footage. _____
11. Number of floors of construction. _____
12. Amount of off-street parking provided. _____
13. Plans attached? _____
14. Proposed scheduling. _____

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- 15. Associated projects, such as required grading or staging. _____

- 16. Anticipated incremental development. _____
- 17. If residential, include the number of units, schedule of unit sizes, range of sale prices or rents, and type of household size expected. _____
- 18. If commercial, indicate the type, whether neighborhood, city or regionally oriented, square footage of sales area, and loading facilities. _____
- 19. If the project involves a variance, conditional use or rezoning application, state this and indicate clearly why the application is required. _____

Are the following items applicable to the project or its effects? Discuss below all items checked yes (attach additional sheets as necessary).

	Yes	No
20. Change in existing features of any bays, tidelands, beaches, or hills, or substantial alteration of ground contours.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. Change in scenic views or vistas from existing residential areas or public lands or roads.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
22. Change in pattern, scale or character of general area of project.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
23. Significant amounts of solid waste or litter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
24. Change in dust, ash, smoke, fumes or odors in vicinity.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
25. Change in ocean, bay, lake, stream or ground water quality or quantity, or alteration of existing drainage patterns.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
26. Substantial change in existing noise or vibration levels in the vicinity.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
27. Site on filled land or on slope of 10 percent or more.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
28. Use of, or disposal of potentially hazardous materials, such as toxic substances, flammables or explosives.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
29. Substantial change in demand for municipal services (police, fire, water, sewage, etc.).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
30. Substantially increase fossil fuel consumption (electricity, oil, natural gas, etc.).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
31. Relationship to a larger project or series of projects.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
32. Changes to a structure or landscape with architectural or historical value.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
33. Changes to a site with archeological or cultural value such as midden soil.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Environmental Setting

34. Describe the project site as it exists before the project, including information on topography, soil stability, plants and animals, and any cultural, historical or scenic aspects. Describe any existing structures on the site, and the use of the structures. Attach photographs of the site. Snapshots or Polaroid photos will be accepted.

35. Describe the surrounding properties, including information on plants and animals and any cultural, historical or scenic aspects. Indicate the type of land use (residential, commercial, etc.), intensity of land use (one-family, apartment houses, shops, department stores, etc.), and scale of development (height, frontage, set-back, rear yard, etc.). Attach photographs of the vicinity. Snapshots or Polaroid photos will be accepted.

SECTION 3 • ESTIMATE OF TIME FOR CONSTRUCTION

For Design Review applications not requiring a building permit this section does not apply. Design Review approvals expire twelve (12) months from the date of approval unless granted a longer duration by the Planning Commission.

This Section advises you of the Time Limit Guidelines that are applied to all Design Review applications that require a building permit as prescribed by Section 20.04.035 of the Belvedere Municipal Code.

B. Construction Time Limit Required. This Chapter shall apply to any project for which a design review approval is required, any project requiring a building permit with an estimated construction value of \$50,000 or greater, and/or any landscaping project with an estimated construction value of \$50,000 or greater that is associated with a building permit. As part of any application for design review, the applicant shall file a reasonable estimate of the cost of the proposed project, and based thereon, a construction time limit shall be established for the project in accordance with the guidelines set forth in Subsection C of this Section. The maximum time for completion of project shall not exceed six months for additions and remodeling up to \$100,000 in value; 12 months for construction up to \$500,000 in value; and 18 months for construction valued at more than \$500,000. Failure to complete construction in the agreed upon time will result in fines ranging from \$600 per day to \$1200 per day. Application for an extension of the prescribed time limit can be made providing certain conditions are met. The maximum extension is 6 months. The time for completion of the construction shall also be indicated on the building permit.

In the space provided below please indicate the estimated project valuation.

Estimated cost of construction: \$ _____

Based on the above estimated project valuation, check one of the following Time Limit Guidelines that shall apply to your project:

- 1. For new construction, the demonstrable value of which is estimated to be less than \$500,000.
Construction shall be completed twelve (12) months from the commencement of work following the issuance of the building permit.
- 2. For new construction, the demonstrable value of which is estimated to be more than \$500,000.
Construction shall be completed eighteen (18) months from the commencement of work following the issuance of the building permit.
- 3. For additions, alterations, modifications and repairs, the demonstrable value of which is estimated at less than \$100,000.
Construction shall be completed six (6) months from the commencement of work following the issuance of the building permit.
- 4. For additions, alterations, modifications and repairs, the demonstrable value of which is estimated at less than \$500,000.
Construction shall be completed twelve (12) months from the commencement of work following the issuance of the building permit.
- 5. For additions, alterations, modifications and repairs, the demonstrable value of which is estimated at more than \$500,000.
Construction shall be completed eighteen (18) months from the commencement of work following the issuance of the building permit.

For those projects that do not fall under any of the above Time Limit Guidelines or that wish to exceed the time limit that was approved by the Planning Commission, the following is the “**Extension of Construction Time Limit**” process (BMC Section 20.04.035(D):

D. Extension of Construction Time Limit.

1. An applicant may request a construction time limit extension at the time of the design review hearing or after the issuance of a building permit. An applicant is limited to one construction time limit extension per project.

2. The Planning Commission has the authority to grant, conditionally grant, or deny a time limit extension request made at the time of a design review hearing based on the reasonable anticipation of one or more of the factors in this Subsection. The Planning Commission's decision may be appealed in writing to the City Council.

3. The extension committee has the authority to administratively grant, conditionally grant, or deny a time limit extension request made after the issuance of a building permit based on one or more of the factors in this Subsection. The extension committee shall consist of the City Building Official, the Director of Planning and Building, and the Public Works Manager, who shall meet with the project contractor, architect and, at the applicant's option, a representative or the applicant. The extension committee shall review the extension request within 10 working days of receiving a complete application. Within 10 working days of receiving the decision, the applicant may appeal the extension committee's decision to the Planning Commission and the Planning Commission's decision to the City Council. All appeals shall be scheduled within a reasonable time of the receipt of the appeal.

4. An application for a construction time limit extension shall be accompanied by complete working drawings for the construction, a written explanation of the reasons for the requested extension, any other information requested by Planning staff, and a fee as established by City Council resolution.

5. Projects with an initial 18-month construction time limit may receive a maximum 6-month extension for a total time limit of 24 months. Projects with an initial 6 or 12-month construction time limit may receive an extension, provided that such extensions do not result in a total construction time limit exceeding 18 months.

6. Landscaping Extension. When landscaping work, which was approved as part of a larger construction project, is delayed because of inclement weather, the applicant may file with the City Manager for an extension to complete the landscaping work. The request must be filed prior to, and may not exceed 30 days beyond, the final building inspection approval, issuance of an occupancy permit, or expiration of the 90-day landscaping time limit granted per Subsection C2 above, whichever occurs later. The City Manager shall grant said extension only if, in his or her opinion, such extension is warranted because of delays caused by inclement weather.

7. Construction Time Limit Extension Factors. Requests for construction time limit extensions shall be determined based on one or more of the following factors:

- a. Site topography
- b. Site access
- c. Geological issues
- d. Neighborhood considerations
- e. Other unusual factors
- f. Extreme weather events
- g. Unanticipated discovery of archeological resources
- h. Other conditions that could not have been reasonably anticipated at the time of project application

SECTION 4 • ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF HOURLY BILLING COSTS

This Section advises you of the costs that may be involved in processing Planning-related applications and/or appeals. You are hereby requested to acknowledge this information and agree to be responsible for all expenses incurred in the processing of your application(s)/appeal(s).

As the property owner/appellant, you agree to be responsible for the payment of all costs, both direct and indirect, associated with the processing of the applications(s)/appeals(s) referenced below. Such costs may be incurred from the following source:

Time & Materia for staff time is Hourly Rate below plus 10% overhead) as of June 14, 2021 (subject to change without notice):

Director of Planning & Building	\$ 120.00
Associate/Senior Planner	\$ 60.00/90.00
City Attorney	\$ 375.00
Building and Planning Technician	\$ 65.00

For all applications and appeals, an initial deposit is required at the time of submittal, with the amounts determined by City Council resolution. In addition to the initial deposit, the property owner/appellant may be required to make further deposits for anticipated work. Invoices are due and payable within 15 days. Application(s) /or appeal(s) will not be placed on an agenda until these deposits are received.

SECTION 5 • ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

This Section applies to all projects that receive design review. To avoid misunderstandings regarding changes to building plans that have received Design Review, please read and acknowledge the below information. To help your project proceed in an expeditious and harmonious manner, the City of Belvedere wishes to inform you of several basic understandings regarding your project and its approval. By you and your representative signing this document, you are acknowledging that you have read, understand, and will comply with each of the points listed.

1. Once Design Review approval has been granted, construction plans may be submitted to the City. The construction plans shall be **identical** to the plans approved for design review. (BMC §20.04.010). Deviations from the plans approved for Design Review cannot be approved except by an amendment to the Design Review approval. It is the applicants' responsibility to assure conformance, and the failure of staff to bring nonconformities to the applicants' attention shall not excuse the applicant from such compliance.
2. Comments from City staff regarding the project shall neither be deemed official nor relied upon unless they are in writing and signed by the City Manager or his designee.
3. Without the prior written approval of the City, construction on the project shall not deviate in any manner, including but not limited to form, size or color, from approved construction plans. If at any time during construction, and without such written approval, construction on the project is found by a member of City staff to deviate from the approved construction plans in any manner, an official STOP WORK ORDER will be issued by the City, and there shall be a total cessation of all work on the project.
4. If such a STOP WORK ORDER is issued, the City may initiate proceedings to impose administrative penalties or nuisance abatement proceedings and issue an order to show cause, which will compel the undersigned property owner to appear before the City Council and show cause why the work performed does not deviate from the approved plans and why such work should not be condemned as a public nuisance and abated. (Authority: Belvedere Municipal Code Chapters 1.14 and 8.12)

SECTION 6 • ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

Story Pole Requirement

Preliminary Story Poles sufficient to indicate the height and shape of the proposed structure or additions shall be placed on the site **at least twenty (20) days** prior to the first meeting date at which this application will be heard. **Final Story Poles** must be placed at the site **at least ten (10) days** prior to the first meeting date and removed no later than ten (10) days following the final city action on the project application. Story poles shall be connected at their tops with colored tape or ribbon to clearly indicate ridges, eaves, and other major elements of the structure.

Limit on the Number of Administrative and Planning Commission Design Review Approvals

Pursuant to Belvedere Municipal Code Section 20.04.020(B)(1)(a), for a site or structure with no existing active Design Review approval, during any twelve-month period, an applicant may obtain up to four administrative approvals, which may be in the form of either Staff Approval, Design Review Exception, or a combination of the two. However, there is no limit to the number of times an applicant may apply for Planning Commission Design Review. **Any such administrative or Planning Commission Design Review approval(s) shall be valid for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of approval, unless a building permit has been issued for the project within said twelve (12) month period, in which case the Design Review approval shall be valid as long as there is an active building permit for the project.**

Once a project has been approved by Planning Staff or the Planning Commission, administrative approvals to amend the existing active Design Review approval for that project shall be limited to three such approvals at any time during the lifetime of the underlying Design Review approval, plus one such approval during the process of obtaining final inspection approval of the project. **Any such administrative approval(s) granted shall NOT extend the twelve (12) month term, of the underlying Design Review approval, or the building permit construction time limit if a building permit has been issued for the project.**

**STATEMENT OF PROPERTY OWNERSHIP,
CERTIFICATION OF APPLICATION, & DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE**

All property owners must complete and sign the section below which is applicable to your property.

Street address of subject property: _____

Assessor's Parcel No(s). of subject property: _____

➤ **Properties Owned by a Trust, LLC, Corporation, Partnership, or Other Entity**

Please provide proof of ownership and of the signer's authority to enter into contracts regarding this property. One or more of the following documents *may* contain the necessary information.

- **For Trusts:** the **Trust Document** or a **Certificate of Trust**, including any attachments thereto; **Property Deed; Certificate of Title Insurance.**
- **For other entities:** **Articles of Incorporation; Partnership Agreement; Property Deed; Certificate of Title Insurance;** written **certification of facts** by an attorney.

Photocopies are acceptable. To ensure privacy, documentation will be shredded in a timely manner, or, upon request, returned to the applicant.

I, _____, state under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above-described subject property is owned by a Trust, LLC, Corporation, Partnership, or other entity and that my signature on this application has been authorized by all necessary action required by the LLC, Corporation, Partnership, or other entity.

I hereby make application for approval of the design review requested. I have read this application and hereby certify that the statements furnished above and in the attached exhibits present the data and information required for the design review and initial environmental evaluation to the best of my ability,

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and that the facts, statements and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

I agree to be responsible for all costs incurred in connection with the processing of my application and appeals, if any. And I agree to be bound by Section 5, "Acknowledgement of Responsibilities," above and representations one through four contained therein.

In the case of an application for revocable license, I agree that, upon approval by the City Council of the revocable license requested, I will promptly execute a license drafted by the City, have it notarized, and return it to the City so that it may be recorded.

I understand that the contents of this document are a Public Record. If more than one signature is required by the owner entity to make this application, please have all signers sign below.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20____, at Belvedere, California.

Signature _____

Signature _____

Title(s) _____

Title(s) _____

Trustee(s) Partners: Limited or General Corporation Other _____

Name of trust, LLC, corporation, or other entity: _____

➤ **Properties Owned by Individuals**

I, _____, state under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that I am the record owner of the above-described subject property.

I hereby make application for approval of the design review requested. I have read this application and hereby certify that the statements furnished above and in the attached exhibits present the data and information required for the design review and initial environmental evaluation to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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I understand that the contents of this document are a Public Record.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20____, at Belvedere, California.

Signature _____

➤ **Designation of Owner's Representative (Optional)**

I hereby authorize _____ to file on my behalf any applications, plans, papers, data, or documents necessary to obtain approvals required to complete my project and further authorize said person to appear on my behalf before the Planning Commission and/or City Council. This

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designation is valid until the project covered by the application(s) is completed and finalized or until the designation is rescinded in writing.

Signature of Owner: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Representative: _____ Date: _____



**CITY OF BELVEDERE
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT COST BASED FEE SYSTEM**

Agreement for Payment of Full Cost Recovery Fees for Application Processing and Inspection Services
(Not required for flat fee applications, contact Community
Development Department if you have any questions.)

_____ (“Applicant”) agree(s) to
[Print names of Property Owner (or Authorized Agent) and Applicant (if different from Owner)]
pay to the City of Belvedere all reimbursable costs, both direct and indirect, including State-mandated costs, associated with review and processing of the accompanying application for land use and/or encroachment or grading permit for land use approval(s) and inspection(s) with respect to the subject property or project located at

_____ *[Location, Address or Assessor’s Parcel Number(s)]*
even if the application is withdrawn or not approved. Reimbursable costs include but are not limited to all items within the scope of the City’s adopted Cost Recovery Program, as well as the cost of retaining professional and technical consultant services and any services necessary to perform functions related to review and processing of the applications and inspection of the work. Owner and Applicant understand that one or more deposits will be required to be paid by Owner and/or Applicant to cover the costs noted above at such time(s) and of such amounts as requested by the Community Development Director or designee. City agrees to review and process the application in accordance with this Agreement and all applicable laws, regulations, ordinances, standards and policies. This agreement applies to all subsequent applications related to the project.

Owner and Applicant understand and agree that nonpayment of processing and inspection fees pursuant to the City’s Cost Recovery Program may, at the sole and exclusive discretion of the Community Development Director, result in temporary or permanent cessation of processing of the application or inspection of the work and, after notice, may result in the denial of the application and/or order to cease work. Prior to completion of processing of any phase of the project, any and all outstanding amounts due pursuant to this agreement shall be paid. The Community Development Department will withhold issuance of further plan checks, entitlements, permits, certificates of occupancy, etc. until all required processing and inspection fees have been paid in full.

The applicant agrees to adhere to the following guidelines with respect to the billing of processing and inspection fees:

1. Non-receipt of invoices must be brought to our attention within 30 days of the date they are routinely received by your office.
2. Invoices presented without sufficient “backup” documentation shall be brought to our attention within 30 days of the receipt of invoice from the City.
3. Questions regarding specific charges that you believe may be questionable and/or incorrect must be brought to our attention no later than 30 days following receipt of your invoice and corresponding documentation.

Failure to comply with the aforementioned procedures within the specific times may, if research of billing information is requested, result in additional charges for clerical time spent and will be billed at our cost recovery rate. Please note that with the exception of documented disputed amounts, finance charges will be assessed at the rate of 12% per annum or 1% per month on all past due amounts.

In any legal action arising out of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover its reasonable litigation expenses, including costs and attorneys' fees.

As part of this application, the Applicant agrees to defend, indemnify, release and hold harmless the City, its agents, offices, attorneys, employees, boards and commissions from any claim, action or proceeding brought against any of the foregoing individuals or entities ("indemnitees"), the purpose of which is to attack, set aside, void or annul the approval of this application or adoption of the environmental document which accompanies it. This indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, damages, costs, expenses, attorney fees or expert witness fees that may be asserted or incurred by any person or entity, including the Applicant, third parties and/or the indemnitees, arising out of or in connection with the approval of this application, whether or not there is concurrent, passive or active negligence on the part of the indemnitees.

Nothing in this agreement shall prohibit the City from participating in the defense of any claim, action or proceeding. In the event that the Applicant is required to defend the indemnitees in connection with any said claim, action or proceeding, the City shall retain the right to (i) approve the counsel to so defend the indemnitees, (ii) approve all significant decisions concerning the matter in which the defense is conducted, and (iii) approve any and all settlements, which approvals shall not be unreasonably withheld by the City.

The City shall also have the right not to participate in said defense, except that the City agrees to cooperate with the Applicant in the defense of said claim, action or proceeding. If the City chooses to have counsel of its own defend any claim, action or proceeding where the Applicant has already retained counsel to defend the City in such matters, the fees and expenses of the counsel selected by the City shall be paid by the City.

The Applicant also agrees to so indemnify the indemnitees for all costs incurred in additional investigation or study, or for supplementing, redrafting, revising or amending any document (e.g., the EIR, Specific Plan Amendment, Specific Plan, General Plan Amendment, Rezone, etc.) if such is made necessary by the claim, action or proceeding and if the Applicant desires approvals from the City which are conditioned on the approval of said documents.

The undersigned Owner/Authorized Agent hereby represents that he/she either personally owns the subject property or is an entity authorized to install and maintain facilities for provision of utility, telecommunications, video, voice or data transmission service in the public street right of way or is a duly authorized agent of the Owner with full authority to execute this Agreement on behalf of Owner. Applicant agrees to be jointly and severally liable with Owner for payment of all fees referenced above. Applicant agrees to notify City in writing prior to any change in ownership and to submit a written assumption of the obligations under this Agreement signed by the new owner or his/her authorized agent.

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Invoices are due and payable within ten (10) days. A penalty will be charged on delinquent accounts at the rate of 1% per month or 12% per annum. Owner agrees that delinquent amounts shall constitute a lien on the subject property and expressly consents to recordation of a notice of lien and/or copy of this Agreement against the subject property with respect to any amounts which are delinquent.

Name of Property Owner: _____
[please print]

Title: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Signature of Property Owner/Applicant Date: _____

or

Signature of Authorized Agent/Written Verification Date: _____
Signed by Property Owner Must Be Submitted
Designating the Authorized Agent

and

Signature of Applicant (if different from Owner) Date: _____

Signature of Staff Member Verifying Agreement Complete Date: _____

FOR CITY USE ONLY:

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Property Owner: _____

Address of Project: _____ File No. _____

Type of Application: _____

Fee Deposit: \$ _____ Receipt # and Date: _____

Plan Storage Fee: \$ _____

Staff Member Receiving: _____

Date Received: _____
