



Development Services

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Property File Copy Bulletin

Process to acquire copies of City held Documents and Plans.

Purpose

The purpose of this bulletin is to establish the process for property owners and/or their designate to request copies of subdivision, strata, building permit, and planning drawings for a specific property and to outline the requirements, process and fees to view and/or copy plans. The City of Penticton provides access to property records and information related to properties while ensuring that the privacy of property owners is protected.

There is no guarantee that the City will have plans or records on file for all properties

When accessing plans on behalf of a property owner (e.g. realtor or owner's representative), submit the completed *Request for Property File Information* form at time of the request. A plan search cannot be completed without the owner's permission.

Submission requirements for building permit plans have changed over time. As a result, some sets of plans are less comprehensive, and may not include various structural or mechanical drawings. We can't guarantee that the information you need will appear on the plans.

Plans for apartments or condo complexes may not contain drawings for individual units. Often, only a typical plan of each floor will be submitted. Suites are usually not identified by their unit number on these typical floor plans, although there may be drawings of specific unit types.

References and Information

Copying

There are additional fees for copying (see chart on following page). If copies of plans are required, they are sent off site to "[B to B Copy](#)" for copying at the client's expense. We are not allowed to copy drawings by a professional architect or engineer due to copyright.

The release of records by the City of Penticton is subject to the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, the *Strata Property Act* and *Canadian Copyright Act*.

Please note: Building Bulletins are prepared to provide convenient information for customers, and should not be considered a replacement for reviewing the bylaw or associated legal documents. If there is any contradiction between this guide and relevant municipal bylaws and/or applicable codes, please refer to the bylaws and/or codes for legal authority.

| Photocopy Charges | Black & White | Colour |
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| Letter & Legal | \$.30/per page | \$1.00/per page |
| Ledger – 11 X 17 | \$.50/per page | \$1.25/per page |
| Plotter – over 11 X 17 | \$13.00/per page | \$13.00/per page |
| Comfort Letter | \$260.00 minimum | |
| Large files | \$35.00 per hour | |

Process

Basic Property File Information:

- Requests to review building plans require a minimum 2 business days notice. The person who requested the plans will be contacted when the building plans are ready to view. Building plans will be available to view between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm and will be held for one week.
- Survey certificates can be viewed but are copyright protected; therefore, we do not provide copies.

Please email your completed *Request for Property File Information form* to propertyinfo@penticton.ca. A staff member will contact you within 1 business day to confirm your request and provide an invoice for payment.

Freedom of Information

For more information regarding the Freedom of Information Act please contact the office of the City's Corporate Officer at 250-490-2405.

[Freedom of Information Sheet.pdf \[PDF - 81 KB\]](#)

[FOI Form.pdf \[PDF - 34 KB\]](#)

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Have questions? We're here to help.

If you have questions pertaining to requesting file information then please contact:

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