

# County of Santa Clara

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## APPLICATION FOR THE USE OF ALTERNATE MATERIALS, DESIGN OR METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION

The undersigned hereby requests approval of an alternate material, design, or method of construction under the authority of:

- 2022 California Building Code (CBC) Section 104.11
- 2022 California Mechanical Code (CMC) Section 302.2
- 2022 California Plumbing Code Section (CPC) 301.3
- 2022 California Electrical Code (CEC) Article 90.4

### APPLICANT

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### SITE

Project Name \_\_\_\_\_

Project Address \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Use \_\_\_\_\_

### REQUEST

Subject of Alternative \_\_\_\_\_

Code Requirement (specify code, edition, and section) \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Proposed \_\_\_\_\_

### JUSTIFICATION

Justification \_\_\_\_\_

### ACTION BY OFFICE

Recommendation:  Approve                       Deny                       Approve as revised

Building Official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Fire Marshal \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **ALTERNATE MATERIALS, DESIGN OR METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION**

2022 CBC Section 104.1  
2022 CMC Section 302.2  
2022 CPC Section 301.3  
2022 CEC Article 90.4

The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code, provided that any such alternative has been approved by the Building Official and/or Fire Marshal.

Building Official and/or Fire Marshal may approve any such alternate, provided it is found that:

1. The proposed alternative material, design or method of construction is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of this code, and
2. The proposed material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, not less than the equivalent of that prescribed in this code as it pertains to Quality, Strength, Effectiveness, Fire resistance, Durability and Safety.

Sufficient evidence shall be submitted to substantiate any claim regarding its use.

### **FILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 1 Complete the application.
- 2 Submit the application along with all supporting evidence (reports, calculations, manufacturer's instructions, etc.) to the InSite public portal.
- 3 A review fee is due at time of submittal. For Development Services review only, the submittal fee is \$321.73. For Fire Marshal's Office review only, the submittal fee is \$402. For both Development Services and Fire Marshal's Office review, the submittal fee is \$723.73.
- 4 Your application will be reviewed. Supplemental review fees may be charged if the time necessary to review the submittal and prepare findings exceeds two hours.
- 5 When sufficient information is provided, a written decision to "approve," "approve as revised," or "deny" will be made.