

County of Santa Clara

Department of Planning and Development
Building Inspection Office

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APPLICATION for the USE of ALTERNATE MATERIAL, DESIGN, or METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION

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

2013 CA Building Code Section 104.11 2013 CA Mechanical Code Appendix Chapter 1, Section 105
 2013 CA Plumbing Code Section 301.4 2013 CA Electrical Code Article 90-4

APPLICANT

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

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

2013 CBC Section 104.11
2013 CPC Section 301.4
2013 CMC Section 105
2013 CEC Article 90-4

The provisions of the codes are not intended to prevent the use of any material, alternate design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by the codes, provided an alternate has been approved and the Building Official and/or Fire Marshal authorize its use.

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

- 1) The proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the provisions of the code, and
- 2) The proposed material, design or method is at least equivalent to the code in suitability, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability, safety and sanitation.

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

FILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Complete the application.
- 2 Submit the application with three copies of all supporting evidence (reports, calculations, manufacturer's instructions, etc.) to the Building Inspection Office.
- 3 A review fee is due at time of submittal. For Building Inspection Office review only, the submittal fee is \$321.73. For Fire Marshal's Office review only, the submittal fee is \$402. For both Building Inspection Office and Fire Marshal's Office review, the submittal fee is \$723.73.
- 4 Your submittal package 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.