



ALTERNATE MATERIALS OR METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION REQUEST

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Hours: 7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m., M–Th

Permit Center #: _____

Date Logged: _____

Fee Required: \$100 plus \$55.20 for Fire Department, if required.

Fee paid: Yes No

Alternate Material #: _____

Submit two (2) copies of all documents, including plans showing the proposed alternate.

Under the authority of Sections 108.7 of the 2007 CBC, 301.4 or the CPC, and 108.7 of the CMC, the undersigned request approval of alternate materials and methods of construction for:

Project Name: _____

Project Address: _____

Occupancy Group: _____ Type of construction: _____ Sprinklers (Y/N): _____ No. of stories: _____

Total floor area/area per floor: _____

Describe use: _____

Subject of Alternative (separate forms should be filled out for each item): _____

Code Requirement (specify code edition and selection): _____

Alternate proposed: _____

Justification (attach copies of any reference, test, reports, expert opinions, etc. The Building Official may require that a consultant be hired by the applicant to perform all applicable test, research, and analysis, and submit a full report of evaluation to the Building Official for consideration and approval.):

Please note: Architect or Engineer must wet stamp and sign this document.

Requested by

Owner:

Signature

Date

Print name

Architect:

Signature

Date

Print name

Engineer

Signature

Date

Print name

Contractor:

Signature

Date

Print name

Phone number

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Staff findings: _____

Staff: _____

Approval Recommended Not Recommended Section Chief: _____

Approved Denied Building Official: _____

Approved Denied Fire Chief (if req'd): _____

ALTERNATE MATERIALS AND METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION AND/OR DESIGNS

Building Official may approve alternate if:

1. Proposed design is satisfactory
2. Proposed design complies with the provisions of the current codes
3. Material, method, or work is equivalent to code in
 - a. Suitability
 - b. Strength
 - c. Effectiveness
 - d. Fire resistance
 - e. Durability
 - f. Safety
 - g. Sanitation
4. Sufficient evidence or proof is provided

Modifications

Building official may grant modifications for individual cases if:

1. Special individual reason makes the strict letter of the technical code impractical
2. Modification is in conformity with intent and purpose of the technical code
3. Modification does not lessen
 - a. Health
 - b. Life safety
 - c. Fire safety requirements
 - d. Structural integrity
4. Sufficient evidence or proof is provided.