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No Fee Subcontractor Sign-On Permits Option

The Bay County Builders Services Division constantly strives to provide efficient cost-effective solutions to the public in regards to the building permitting process. We are pleased to announce a new permitting option that allows subcontractors to attain their permits with the initial permit application. This approach benefits the public through expedited permitting procedures that reduce time and save money. In this constant effort, a new alternative to permitting new buildings and structures that require multiple sub-contractors (*electrical, plumbing, mechanical, etc.*) is currently available through Builders Services.

Subcontractors can now sign-on to attain their permit with the initial permit application. In this process, a sub-contractor completes a one-page notarized application under the main building permit. Because this eliminates the need for subcontractors to apply individually at a later date, incurring additional time and administrative costs, the fees for sub-contractor permits can be waived and the permits issued with the initial building permit.

The advantages of this alternative are as follows:

- Subcontractor permits can be issued at the time of original building permit application reducing time spent by permit techs processing additional permits for the same project at a later date.
- Permitting is now expedited to the permit applicant as separate subcontractor permits are simultaneously issued with the main permit.
- The cost and time savings are funneled directly to the permit applicant.
- Permits are now in consonance with one another, renewing the permit expiration date automatically with each passed inspection.

(The Subcontractor sign-on permit program is in addition to the original permitting process provided by Builders Services. Filing of Subcontractor permits separately is still in place.)