Architect Led Permit Streamlining: Steps to Success

Architects are natural leaders in moving their community toward more effective and efficient permit processing. As the economy continues to improve, both code officials and design professionals must find ways to perform quality service with less time and money. By working together from common ground, a win-win-win scenario emerges: code compliant buildings that can be permitted in less time, while meeting the high standards of today's design expectations and energy and sustainability performance standards.

“Code Conversation,” “PASS” (Prequalified Architectural Submittal System), and “One and Done” will be among the case study success stories outlined, along with an overview of the variety of approaches to successful permit streamlining in use around the country.

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Twelve years ago, Mike founded the AIA Central Valley Code Conversation Program, forging links between design professionals and code professionals. Expanding on these connections, Mike led the development of the innovative PASS Permit Streamlining program in 2014, in use today by 16 cities and counties in California’s Central Valley, covering an area of over 2.6 million people. Mike created the website PermitStreamline.Com to share best practices in Permit Streamlining from around the country, and he founded and leads the Streamline Institute, a 501c3 nonprofit devoted to shaping more efficient and effective regulatory processes in shaping our built environment.

Resources

www.streamlineinstitute.org
   Home of the PASS program, and the non-profit Streamline Institute

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