



Site Plan

A site plan is a drawing showing details of how a site will be developed or used. It shows the location of buildings, parking, stormwater management, landscaping, and other proposed site improvements or uses. It may be required for a building permit, conditional use permit, or other development approvals.

How do I know if a site plan is required?

Any development activity that includes construction work outside of a building's footprint requires a site plan. In some cases, a site plan may be required even when no new construction is proposed, to show proposed use of an existing site.

The following permits and approvals require a site plan:

- Building Permit, when any improvements will be made outside of a building footprint
- Conditional Use Permit, when any improvements will be made, or to show a proposed use or demonstrate compliance with requirements even when no improvements are proposed, outside of a building footprint
- Disturbance Permit
- Sign Permit, for any freestanding sign
- Site Plan, when required by the UDC
- Variance, when it involves any standard that can be shown on a site plan

If you are unsure whether a site plan will be required, you may consult with a planner in the Planning & Zoning Department.

How is a site plan approved?

A site plan will be processed as part of the permit or approval that required it (e.g. as part of a sign permit or variance), with the following exception: When a site plan is required for a building permit, or when the UDC requires a site plan as a distinct request (e.g. for outdoor display or storage of large items), those site plans will be processed as a request for Site Plan approval.

My project requires Site Plan approval.

There are two types of site plan approvals in St. George:

Major Site Plans

- a. *New Construction*
 - (1) Residential, 15 or more dwelling units
 - (2) Non-residential:
 - (a) Manufactured home parks, all
 - (b) RV parks, all
 - (c) Commercial recreation, more than one (1) acre
 - (d) All other, the lesser of:
 - i. 30,000 square feet or more of gross floor area; or
 - ii. 10 acres or more of developed site area
- b. *Additions*. Any existing developed site that:
 - (1) Does not have a valid approval as a major site plan, where an addition results in the site reaching the new construction thresholds in 2.a above; or
 - (2) Has a valid approval as a major site plan, where an addition results in an increase of 20% or more of the number of units, gross floor area, or developed site area previously approved.

Minor Site Plans. Any site plan that is not major.



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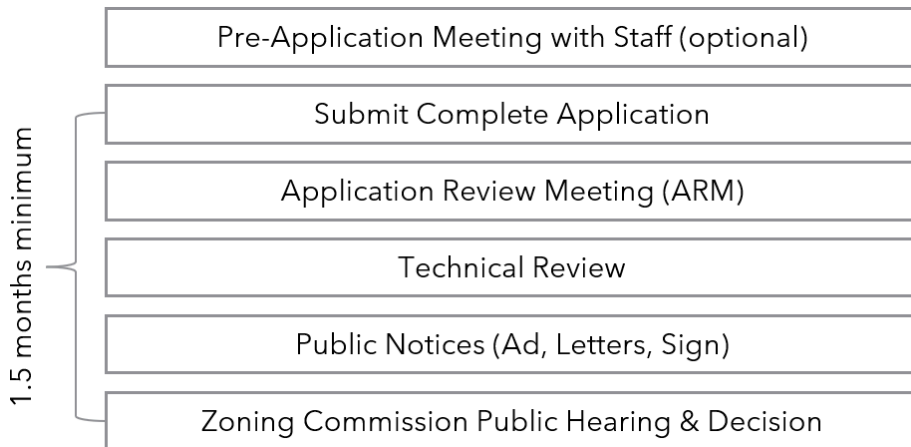
How do I apply for Site Plan approval and what is the process?

Minor site plans are administrative (staff-level) approvals. When a minor site plan is required:

- For a building permit, submit the site plan as part of the building permit application. Approval of the building permit will constitute approval of the site plan.
- By the UDC, complete an Application for Site Plan through the City's online Planning and Zoning application portal. The process will take at least 2 weeks.

Major site plans are legislative (public hearing) approvals, with the process shown below. Complete an Application for Site Plan through the City's online Planning and Zoning application portal.

See the Site Plan Checklist for items that must be shown on a site plan.



My minor or major Site Plan has been approved! What next?

The Site Plan approval will expire if you don't apply for a building permit or other required approval for the work shown on the Site Plan within three years of Site Plan approval.

How would I know if Site Plan approval is being requested for a property near me?

Applications for **minor site plans** are not advertised and are not subject to public comment. Applications for **major site plans** are advertised with a sign on the property, letters sent to owners of property located within 300 feet, and an ad in the Advocate.

I want to show my support or opposition to a proposed major Site Plan. How do I do that?

- Submit written comment online: StGeorgeLA.gov/departments/planning-zoning/submit-a-public-comment-planning-zoning
- Send written comment to the Zoning Commission, 11207 Proverbs Ave, St. George, LA 70816
- Attend the Zoning Commission public hearing.

NOTE: The information in this brochure is provided as a convenience. Consult the City of St. George Unified Development Code.



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