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Subject: BC Building Permit HUB Portal

Dear Mayor and Council,

A few days ago the Province of BC announced the launch of their new [BC Building Permit HUB Portal](#) in a May 27, 2024 [press release](#), with twelve local governments and two First Nations participating in the pilot.

The City of Vancouver is participating in this provincial pilot in an advisory role, helping to guide the development of this portal, and sharing with the Province our insights and experiences garnered over the past few years undertaking our Permitting Improvement Program – including the journey in development/launch our two digital permitting tools – PRET and eComply.

Here is a high-level description of what the first version of the provincial portal will do:

- The portal provides a webform that collects information from the applicant to create a building permit application, including supporting documents.
- Once the applicant submits their application, participating municipalities use a specific email address to log in and download the application.
- Once the building permit application has been downloaded by authorized municipal staff, the data from the application is manually entered into the municipality's permitting systems for continued processing by local municipal staff.

A reminder that next month we will be bringing to Council a comprehensive overview of the progress on the City's Permitting Improvement Program, which will include an update on the current and upcoming digital tools to support permitting and licensing.

Thanks,

Karen

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