



ALLEGHENY COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Permits – General Information

Acts 67, 68 and 127 of 2000 amended the *Municipalities Planning Code* (MPC) to direct state agencies to consider and rely on the comprehensive plans of counties and municipalities when reviewing applications for the permitting of facilities or infrastructure. All permits requiring a review under Sections 619.2 and 1105 of the MPC or by the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) *Land Use Policy* must be submitted to the county planning agency for review and determination of consistency with the county comprehensive plan. DEP's Land Use Policy can be found at their website, www.dep.state.pa.us. Allegheny County Economic Development (ACED) is the official county planning agency for Allegheny County.

Permit applications forwarded to the county for a consistency review **must be complete**. In addition to the information required by the state agency, please be sure to clearly identify the type of permit applied for and provide any other information that will help the County understand and evaluate the project; for example:

- DEP General Information Form (GIF; if applicable)
- a project narrative
- a good site location map
- site plans and other maps
- design drawings

Applicants are encouraged to evaluate their projects before submitting an application to the County, by filling out the appropriate *Allegheny Places* consistency review checklist. Checklists for utility and transportation infrastructure projects are available at www.alleghenyplaces.com.

- Permit applications may be forwarded to the attention of Andrew Hartwell in ACED's Planning Division as follows:

Mr. Andrew H. Hartwell, Planner II
Allegheny County Economic Development
Planning Division
425 Sixth Avenue, Suite 800
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

In addition, permit applications subject to Act 14 notification requirements must also be forwarded to the attention of Allegheny County Council, by **certified mail**, at the following address:

County of Allegheny
Office of the County Council
Courthouse
436 Grant Street, Room 119
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact Andrew Hartwell at 412-350-1360, or Kay Pierce, Manager, at 412-350-1030.