

The Zoning Process Overview

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Any person or organization can seek to undertake new construction in the District of Columbia or to make repairs, alterations, or additions to existing residential and commercial buildings.

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The person or organization should consult with the Department of Buildings (DOB) to determine whether the proposed project conforms to the applicable zoning requirements.

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If the proposed project **conflicts** with the Zoning Regulations or the Zoning Map, the **Zoning Administrator (ZA)**, who is a part of **DOB** and has the authority to interpret and administer the Zoning Regulations will determine the required zoning relief.

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The person or organization may at that time:

1. modify the proposal to conform to the Zoning Regulations and Zoning Map
2. appeal the ZA decision (with cause) to the Board of Zoning Adjustment
3. apply for relief from the Zoning Commission (ZC) or BZA

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