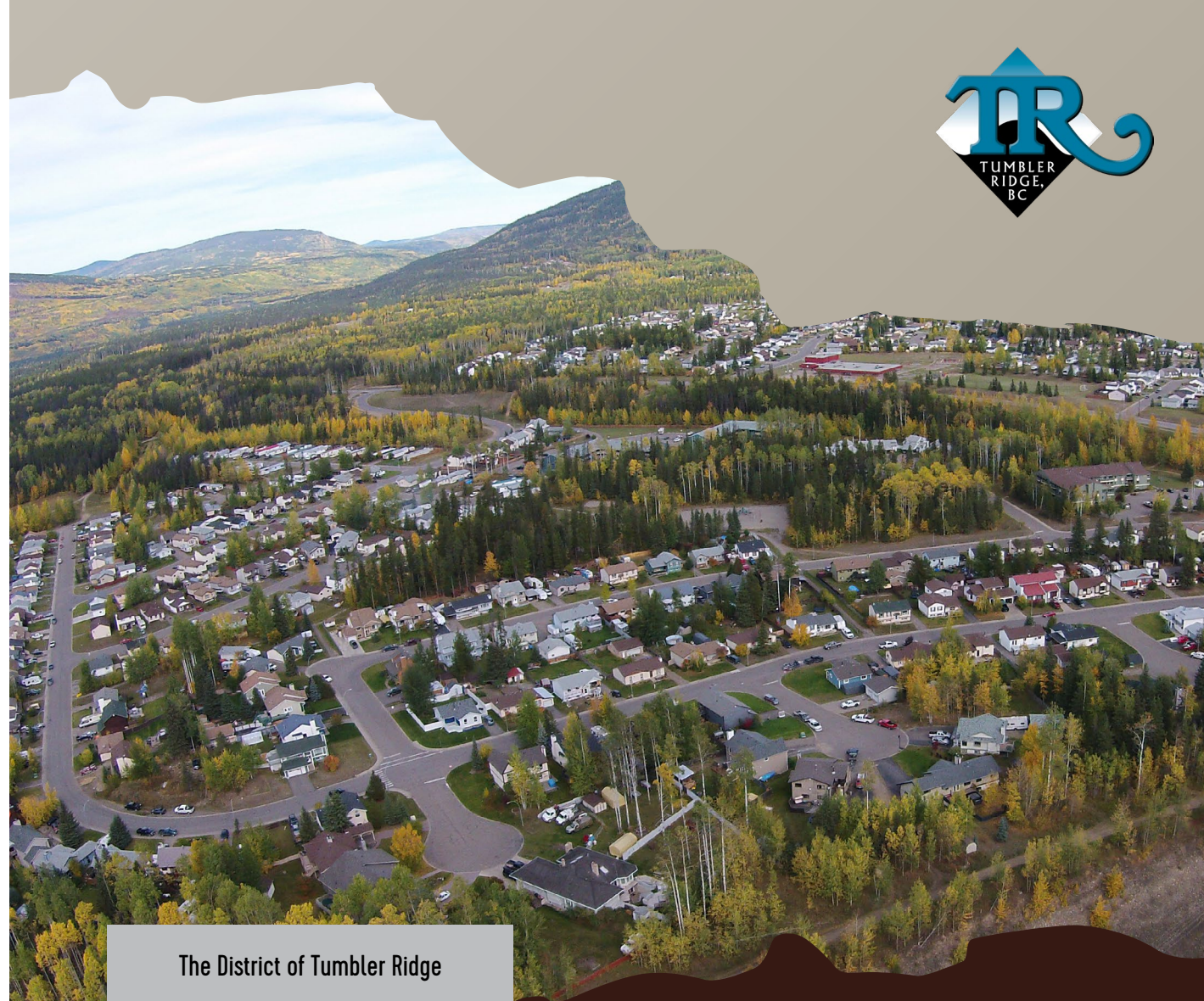
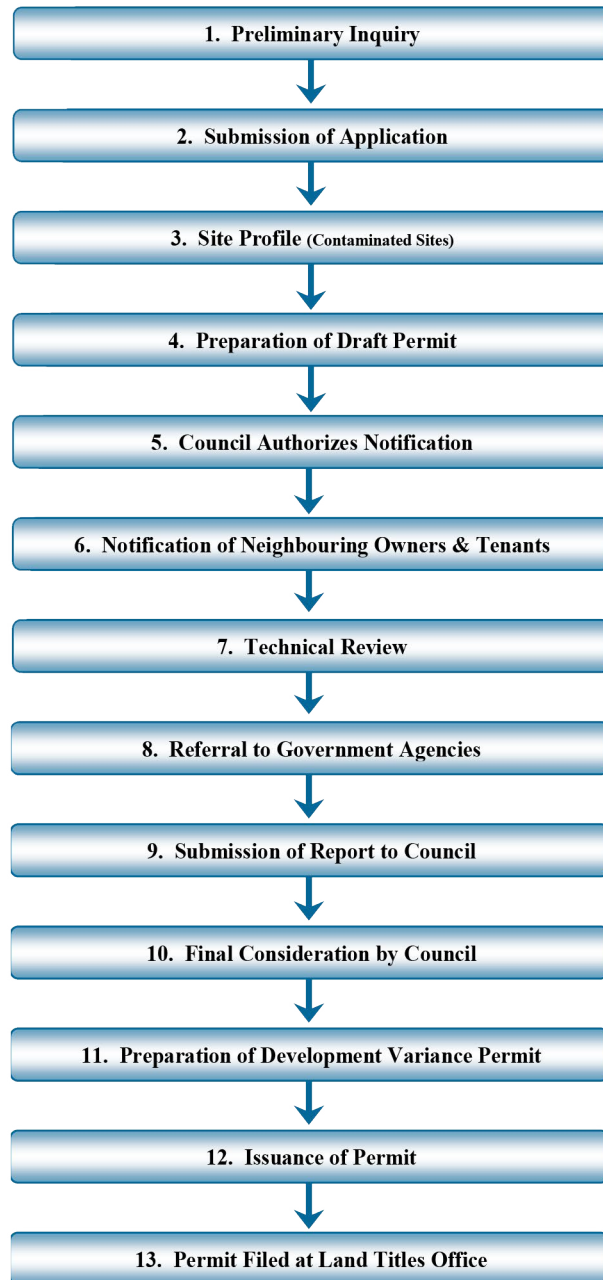


General Overview of Process



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a guide to the
Development Variance
Permit Process

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What is a Development Variance Permit?

A Development Variance Permit (DVP) may be used to vary certain provisions of certain District of Tumbler Ridge Bylaws as specified in the Local Government Act. A DVP is usually considered when the site characteristics or other unique circumstances do not permit strict compliance with existing zoning or subdivision servicing regulations. A DVP cannot vary the use or density of the land as outlined in the District's Zoning Bylaw.

When is it necessary to apply for a DVP..?

An application for a Development Variance Permit is required when the characteristics of a specific project conflict with the standards set out by a District Bylaw. A DVP may not be used to vary land use or density (i.e. maximum number of dwelling units permitted on a parcel of land) provisions of the Zoning Bylaw.

Before you apply..

It is recommended that the property owner gather as much information regarding their property as possible (e.g., legal description, drawings and surveys) and meet with District staff to discuss their proposal. District staff will offer advice on which application/s will be required, necessary information that will be required and give the property owner the most current application package.

Submitting your application

The completed application forms and necessary additional information along with the appropriate fees must be submitted to the District of Tumbler Ridge for processing and referral.

What is the cost?

The Applicant is required to submit a fee of \$300 for the Development Variance Permit. The application fee is to be made payable to the District of Tumbler Ridge. If a Site Profile is required, an application fee of \$50 must also be submitted.

Who approves DVP's?

The Council of the District of Tumbler Ridge authorizes final approval of a Development Variance Permit by resolution following prior approval by the Ministry of Transportation if required.

How long is the process?

The permit process can take up to 2-4 months to complete. Approval time may be affected by application accuracy/ completion, the need to obtain other land use approvals and/or compliance with other applicable agency.

Note

The process described here briefly will involve more detailed procedures, correspondence and/or requirements. Please contact the District of Tumbler Ridge to ensure all obligations are understood in order to expedite the approval process. This brochure is meant for guidance only and should not be construed by anyone as a right to approval if the steps indicated are followed. Please consult the Local Government Act and its regulations and other District of Tumbler Ridge bylaws for definitive requirements and procedures.

