

# Martin County Building Department

## **Digital Plan Room Guide**

Martin County Building Department has partnered with ePermitHub to launch the Digital Plan Room, a new electronic document review solution that is seamlessly integrated into the Accela Citizen Access Portal. This solution will introduce many new features to optimize the plan review process. The Digital Plan Room system includes:

- Clients will now receive instant feedback when uploading their documentation whether their documents and plans meet the digital signature guidelines.
- Integrated drawing markups with detailed plan review comments.
- Submission of any corrections will only require revised sheets to be submitted.
- More intuitive method of submitting plan corrections and revisions.
- Provides an industry standard methodology for submitting plans and documents.

### **Uploading Documents for an Initial Submission**

The Digital Plan Room begins when a registered user of the Citizen Access Portal completes the application process and pays for a permit.

For permit records requiring a plan submission, the Electronic Documents page in the Citizen Access Portal has been replaced with a Document Acknowledgement section. Plans and supporting documents will now be uploaded after payment has been submitted.

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Please check the box acknowledging that plans and all supporting documents will be uploaded after payment and click on "Continue Application".

Review the application and pay the permit fee.

Tip! The Digital Plan Room is designed to function using Chrome. Some features may not work properly using other browsers. • 1 acknowledge thatl will upload plans, supporting documentation, and attachments after paying for my application.:

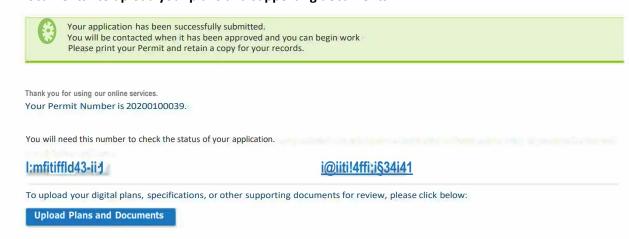
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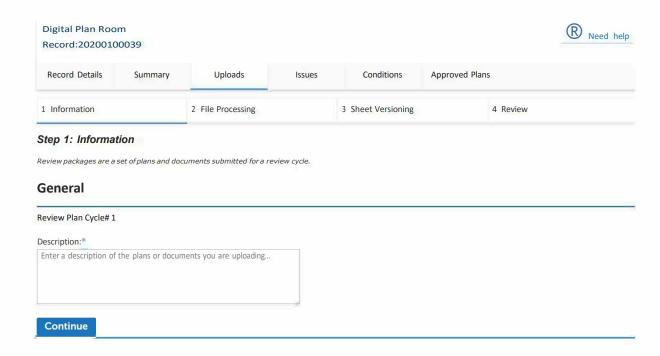
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### **Uploading and Validating Files**

1. Upon successful payment, the Receipt/Record Issuance page will display. Click on "Upload Plans and Documents" to upload your plans and supporting documents.



2. Enter a description of the entire package in the Description text box and click "Continue".



3. Drag and drop files or browse to add your files. Select the document type and enter a brief description of the file. Click on Upload and Validate.

Note: Correct document type selection is critical for a successful submission.

### Step 2: Add & Process Files

Browse or drag and drop the desired files to upload. Once all files are added, the Upload and Validate button is displayed. Click on it to validate the files and add them to your review package. When all of the desired files are uploaded and validated, click the Process Files button to prepare your files for review.

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4. If there is an error after uploading the file, please review the error message. A message will appear at the top of the screen and additional information can be found by hovering over the blue"?"



5. Additional details can be found by hovering over the "X" next to the recycle bin icon.

### Files



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6. To re-upload the file once the error has been resolved, remove the file containing the error by clicking on the recycle bin.

#### **Files** Description IJpe Uploaded By Signature HL NOA - Product Approval.pdf Tina Jones R HL LOT 61-Building Plans.pdf Building Plans Building Plans Tina Jones 1/28/2020 0 HL LOT 61-ECalcs.pdf IIIII: aH · I Tina Jones (R) 1/28/2020 HL LOT 61-Sewer Disposal & Water Affidavit.pdf Affidavit - No Cnty or Pub Util IIIII:aH·I Tina Jones R 1/28/2020 HL LOT 61-SP ES.pdf E H H Tina Jones 1/28/2020

7. After removing the rejected files, drag and drop files or browse to add the corrected and/or additional files to your review package. When all the desired files are uploaded and successfully validated, click the Process Files button to prepare your files for review.



Note: Do not combine plans and documents of various types into a single PDF document.

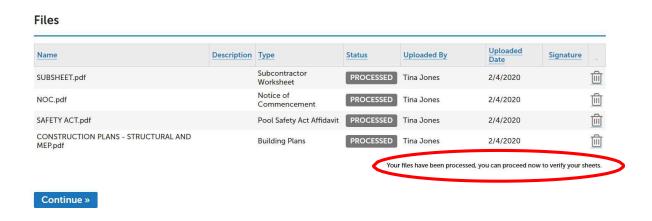
### **File Processing**

1. The Process files step could take time to complete. The system is separating the plan sheets and optimizing them for review. It is not necessary to wait for the files to finish processing. You can close the screen and come back to it once the processing is complete. You will receive an email with a link alerting you that the processing step has been completed.

Note: Your plans have not yet been submitted. Continue to the next step to complete and submit your plans

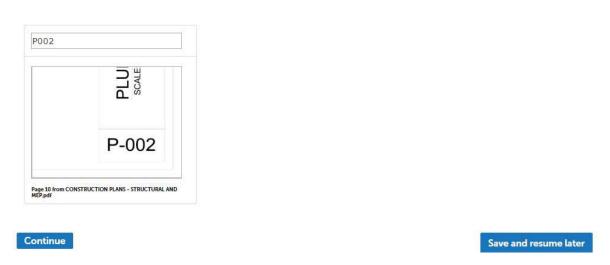


2. If you choose to wait for the processing to finish, the file processing screen will close once completed. Click on "Continue" to start the Sheet Verification step.



### **Sheet Verification**

- 1. If you opted to receive an email instead of waiting, the link will take you directly to the Sheet Verification page.
- 2. Review the sheet numbers assigned to each sheet within the plan set.
- 3. Correct any mislabeled sheets by typing in the sheet label field.
- 4. You may choose to "Save and resume later" if necessary.
- 5. Once complete, click on "Continue" and "Finish" to complete the upload.



6. When the package is processed, you will receive a confirmation screen and an email. If you do not receive the email, please check your spam folder.

### **Viewing and Responding to Issues**

Issues are code-related concerns that must be addressed by correcting the appropriate drawings (Revise and Resubmit comments). Please note that Issues will not be viewable until the cycle is completed with all the required reviews done. Upon completion of the cycle, you will receive an email alerting you of the plan review status.

To view the Issues on the plan, please click on the link provided in the corrections required email or follow the steps below:

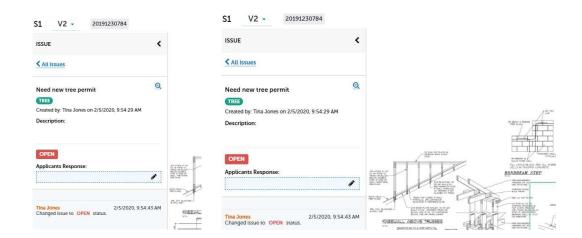
- 1. Login to your Accela Citizen Portal account.
- 2. Go to "Search for Permits/Records" and select your permit number.
- 3. Click on the Plan Room and select the Issues tab. The comprehensive list of issues identified will be listed. Click on an individual issue to view the specific items.
- 4. Click on the "Filter" box on the the right side and a drop-down list will display with the filter options for both Status and Discipline. You can select more than one option for each drop-down.



5. Click on the individual issues to view the Issue and respond with the correct action.



6. The plan sheet will open with the mark-up and issue displayed. Click on the magnifying glass to automatically zoom into the markup.



- 7. To respond to the mark-up, click on the "Applicants Response" text box.
- 8. Provide a detailed description explaining what corrective measures were taken to resolve the issue.
- 9. To return to the Plan Room issues list, click on the "X" at the top-right of the plan sheet.



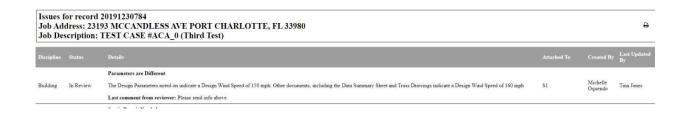
### **Printing or Saving the Issues List**

To save the Issues list in order for email or printing:

1. Click on the Issues tab, then click the printer icon.

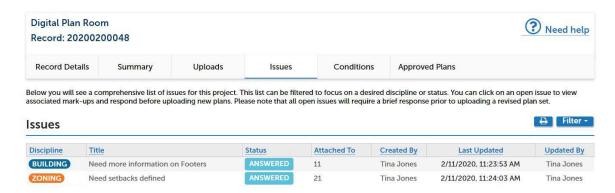


2. The Issues list will open and can then be printed or saved for distribution to anyone not having direct access to the Issues on the record.



### **Uploading Corrected Sheets**

You will **not** be able to upload corrected sheets **until you have responded to all Issues**. The status will show "Answered" once the response has been completed. If your issue resolution only requires a comment, please add the comment to the issue response and re-upload the impacted sheet.



Click on Uploads to upload the corrected sheets. It is not necessary to resubmit the entire plan set. Only the updated or added sheets must be uploaded. Select Resume to upload the sheets.

Note: It is imperative that resubmitted sheets have the exact same naming convention as the original submittal. Example: Sheet Al must be named Al on the resubmittal - not A-l, A l, etc.)