The Spokane Valley city government prides itself on its stress-free permitting process. The city understands the needs of businesses in the community, works hard to find equitable solutions and helps companies get things done. Spokane Valley has developed a streamlined permitting process that fits the needs of local business owners and citizens; the city regularly evaluates regulations to ensure the use of a common sense approach.

The city continually strives to make its permitting process transparent and efficient. All commercial projects, including new developments, are assigned a 10-business day target review date. Many permits for commercial and residential projects can be issued over the counter by the skilled International Code Council, or certified front counter staff. To further ensure efficiency as well as environmental safety, the city offers highly trained, multi-disciplined technical review staff to help clients navigate the permit process and provide innovative solutions.

Spokane Valley has also completed several strategic initiatives that aim at incentivizing economic development, including:

- Streamlining the environmental permitting process by analyzing the transportation impacts of planned development and the necessary improvements to accommodate growth, which creates predictability and saves time.
- Promoting the development of multiple family housing in areas where existing infrastructure can support growth by analyzing transportation impacts and adjusting standards to make development easier.

“Our contractor went to the Spokane Valley and went through the very complex permitting process that our project required. He told me they had the best results through a permitting process they had ever had.”

- Mike MacKay, CEO MacKay Manufacturing, Inc.

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