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Fundamentals of Design Build Tutorial

June 8th 8:00 am – 4:30 pm, Travelodge Hotel, Saskatoon

Cost: \$295 + gst

Eligible For: 1 Gold Seal Credit; 7.5 hrs of SAA Continuing Education Credits

[Click here](#) for Registration details.

Overview: A must for practitioners, owners, decision-makers, and those wanting to learn more about Design-Build. Register today for this one-day, interactive introduction to design-build as presented by those who know it best - the Canadian Design Build Institute.

Panel Discussion: The [panel of speakers](#) will share their experience, insights and first-hand knowledge of the Design- Build model. The panel will cover:

- What owners should include in RFQs and RFPs, how to analyze an RFQ, key considerations in responding
- Statement of requirements— “getting it right”
- Good documents for a DB proposal call
- Importance of early development and finalization of design and construction criteria, as well as procedures for selecting the DB team, the design solution, schedules, contract conditions, contract price, methods of delivery and payment, and producing the best overall proposal
- Roles and responsibilities the design-builder takes on as the consultant and contractor for both design and construction or vice versa (consultant-led DB)
- How to assemble a DB team and demonstrate that they are the most capable
- Consensus-building processes
- Contractual risks

- Calculation of honouraria
- Round-table discussion on critical issues
- Insurance & bonding for DB vs. design-bid-build. Each participant will receive a tutorial booklet, the complete set of the CDBI Practice Manual and educational versions of CCDC's two standard DB contracts.

[Click here](#) to see the detailed schedule.

City of Saskatoon: Updated Building Bylaw Responds to Key Industry Needs, Public Safety

City Council updated its Building Bylaw and repealed its 25-year-old predecessor at its Tuesday, May 23 meeting.

“It’s business as usual, just better,” says Director of Building Standards, Kara Fagnou. “We have consolidated and improved our information to capture all key aspects of the building process into the bylaw.”

Building Bylaw No. 9455 (Bylaw) will replace Building Bylaw No. 7306.

“The intent of the Bylaw is to better reflect current practices and provide tools to better administer our programs,” Fagnou says. “The updates will also clarify the requirements and conditions for building permit applicants and what people or companies can expect when building in Saskatoon.”

The Bylaw updates will enhance program transparency by clarifying what the application requirements and permitting conditions are. Some of these conditions include:

- defining permit expiry dates;
- outlining the process for requesting a permit extension; and
- clarifying site conditions and construction signage requirements.

Importantly, key industry stakeholders were involved in improving the way life-safety systems are addressed throughout the building process. These partners helped incorporate new requirements for on-site life-safety system reviews to make sure installations are done in accordance with the approved engineered design; this was previously outside the scope of the program.

The updated Bylaw will contain new administration fees to support the sustainability of the Building Inspection and Plan Review Programs. The administration fees will apply only to customers who request to:

- extend the term of their building permit;
- reinstate a building permit; or
- cancel a building permit.

Full enforcement of the Bylaw provisions is proposed for January 1, 2018. The City’s Building Standards Division will work with industry and civic departments over the next six months to develop an implementation plan to support the rollout of the updated Bylaw.

“Overall, the updated Bylaw provides a platform to communicate building permit requirements and conditions in a clear and consistent manner,” Fagnou says. “It helps promote good neighbour practices through transparent building permit program administration, and it supports the City’s Strategic Goals by balancing growth with accountability and public safety.”

For more information on the updated Bylaw, please visit saskatoon.ca/buildingstandards or contact Building Standards at 306-975-2645.

Drywall Support Program

Drywall costs were higher in Western and Northern Canada between September 6, 2016 and February 24, 2017 due to increased duties placed on drywall imported from the United States.

Western Economic Diversification Canada is administering a short-term Drywall Support Program for Western Canada, in conjunction with the Canadian Northern Economic Development Agency (CanNor), which is delivering the program to those affected in the Northwest Territories and Yukon. All applications to this program will be accepted through this website (including applications from the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory).

There is only one week left to apply for the Drywall Support Program. The application deadline is Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at the following local times:

- British Columbia: 1:00 p.m.
- Yukon: 1:00 p.m.
- Alberta: 2:00 p.m.
- Saskatchewan: 2:00 p.m.
- Northwest Territories: 2:00 p.m.
- Manitoba: 3:00 p.m.

Please ensure you submit your application by that time.

More information on the Drywall Support Program is available on the [Western Economic Diversification Canada website](#).

Please contact Western Economic Diversification Canada at 1-888-338-9378 with your questions.

Save the Date: Design Week Saskatchewan September 23-29, 2017

Design Week SK returns to Saskatoon and Regina this September. We have a great lineup of speakers confirmed for this year's event including: Omar Gandhi, recognized as one of the world's top 20 young architects by Wallpaper* Magazine; Jason Kasper, founder and Principal of IDEATE Design Consulting; and Ian Brignell, award winning lettering, logo and font designer. The week will finish with the Premier's Awards of Excellence in Design celebrating the work of local designers. Like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter and Instagram to get updated on details as they are announced.

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Call for Volunteers in Regina and Saskatoon

DCS is looking for volunteers to join the Regina planning committee. Opportunities are also available in Saskatoon.

To get involved in Design Week 2017, please contact design.council.sk@gmail.com.

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