Changes to Commercial Buildings - Typical Project Process

(A) You can **Talk to Us** to obtain a no-cost opinion on which timeliness will likely reflect your project.

(B) Changes to business activities include:
- Changes in the intensity of activity in a location (e.g. restaurant seating 50 to a restaurant seating 200)
- Change to the business activity in a location (e.g. retail store to a restaurant) **Learn more**.

(C) You can **Talk to Us** to estimate complexity before signing a lease. Complex applications usually include variances, infrastructure changes, non-standard designs or additions.

(D) Community pre-consultation occurs if your project requires a variance to Main Streets Overlay or Mature Neighbourhood Overlay.

(E) Community notification is required for all business activities that are listed as a discretionary use in a zone. To learn more see **Zoning Approval for Your Business**.

(F) The permit applicant or community members may choose to appeal the Development Permit decision through the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (**SDAB**).

(G) Actions required by the development permit must be complete before building permit review begins.

(H) You can minimize application timelines by ensuring your application adheres to minimum application requirements.

(I) Multiple inspections will be conducted during and after construction. Carefully review the conditions written on your permit to understand when inspections will be required.

(K) You will be granted an occupancy permit after your successful final inspection. You can now open your business.