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**To:** Christina Stacey <cstacey@portlandmaine.gov>  
**Date:** 9/3/2015 8:38 AM  
**Subject:** RE: Fwd: Garage permit status

I think it will be 2-3 years before I do finish work— I really don't need the space but just thought it would be smart to leave as an option for the future. I will just need to be better prepared next time and set out some more lead time now knowing the permit process.

Along those lines, I do worry about getting multiple checks done this fall of the concrete etc. Is that normally a fairly smooth process or are we looking at a delay each time they need to come and review? I don't mean that to sound critical at all, I just know that my dad and the crew will move swiftly and I'm sure the city needs things done on their timeline of course.

Thanks!!

From: Christina Stacey [mailto:cstacey@portlandmaine.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2015 8:21 AM  
To: Charles, Zach  
Subject: RE: Fwd: Garage permit status

Zach, thanks for sending this information. Just to be clear, do you plan to leave the room unfinished for now, or will you be sheetrocking, etc.? If it will remain unfinished, just be aware that you'll need to file another building permit in the future once you're ready to do the finishing work.

Chris

>>> "Charles, Zach" <ZCharles@UNUM.COM<mailto:ZCharles@UNUM.COM>> 9/2/2015 5:23 PM >>>  
Oh and regarding the use of the room, I am hoping to make that an office or an extra bedroom someday I think? I won't have the money to do that portion of the project currently and am just focused on having the car in out of the snow.

Thanks,  
Zach

From: Christina Stacey [mailto:cstacey@portlandmaine.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 4:02 PM  
To: Charles, Zach  
Subject: RE: Fwd: Garage permit status

Glad I am able to help! As far as the floor plan, it can be as simple as something hand-drawn and scanned, so hopefully it won't be too difficult. As I said, we just need to know what the use/layout of the upper floor will be (including access via stairs or from the existing house). Thanks, and look forward to hearing back from you soon.

CHris

>>> "Charles, Zach" <ZCharles@UNUM.COM<mailto:ZCharles@UNUM.COM>> 9/2/2015 3:20 PM >>>  
No problem Chris, I'm just really anxious to try and get the project done this winter and get my car in out of the snow!

My dad is a lot smarter with this stuff than I am and will be doing all the building so I have forwarded your note and once he figures out how to put the plan into a PDF I will get it right back over to you.

I really do appreciate the reply today, I didn't think I would hear back so that is exciting ☺

From: Christina Stacey [mailto:cstacey@portlandmaine.gov]  
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 1:11 PM  
To: Charles, Zach  
Subject: Re: Fwd: Garage permit status

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Hi Zach,

I apologize for the long delay with your permit, unfortunately the zoning staff was down to one person for the last 9 months which has resulted in a backlog of permits. I just started here last week and we are making progress on dealing with the backlog. I will take a look at your application today and let you know if there are any questions or needed items. Thanks for your patience.

Yours,  
Chris

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>>> Building Inspections 9/2/2015 1:00 PM >>>

Hi, another "where's my permit" this one has been here since 7/14. it's a garage permit.

>>> "Charles, Zach" <ZCharles@UNUM.COM<mailto:ZCharles@UNUM.COM>> 9/2/2015 12:05 PM >>>

Hi,

I do not mean to be a pain but I am writing to check on the status of my garage permit for Zach Charles @ 58 Gertrude Ave. I believe I submitted my plans for a permit 7/7 and the web site says I am in pending status.

I am sure it just takes time but where I am super anxious to get this project done this fall and think about it every day, I figured I would write and make sure everything was still okay and nothing else I could do to expedite things.

Thank you for time and consideration,

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