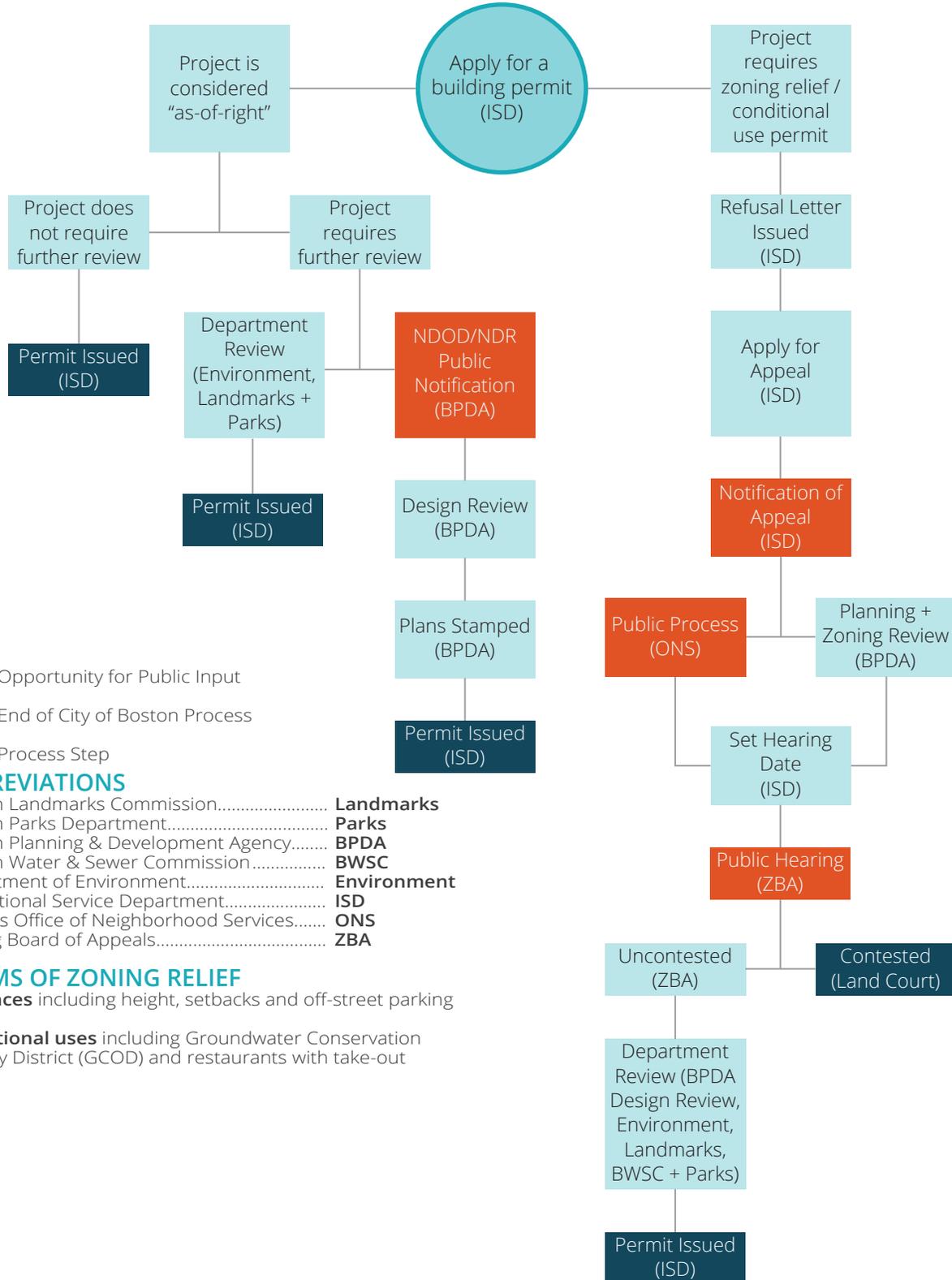


Permitting Process

► PURPOSE OF PERMITTING PROCESS

The purpose of the permitting process is to ensure that proposed projects meet current city, state, and federal regulations. The permitting process is initiated when an application for a permit is submitted to Inspectional Services Department (ISD). Projects may not require zoning relief, often referred to as “as-of-right,” or they may need to go through a thorough public process. The process engages several agencies including ISD, Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA), Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) and the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).



► KEY

- Opportunity for Public Input
- End of City of Boston Process
- Process Step

► ABBREVIATIONS

Boston Landmarks Commission.....	Landmarks
Boston Parks Department.....	Parks
Boston Planning & Development Agency.....	BPDA
Boston Water & Sewer Commission.....	BWSC
Department of Environment.....	Environment
Inspectional Service Department.....	ISD
Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services.....	ONS
Zoning Board of Appeals.....	ZBA

► FORMS OF ZONING RELIEF

Variations including height, setbacks and off-street parking

Conditional uses including Groundwater Conservation Overlay District (GCOD) and restaurants with take-out