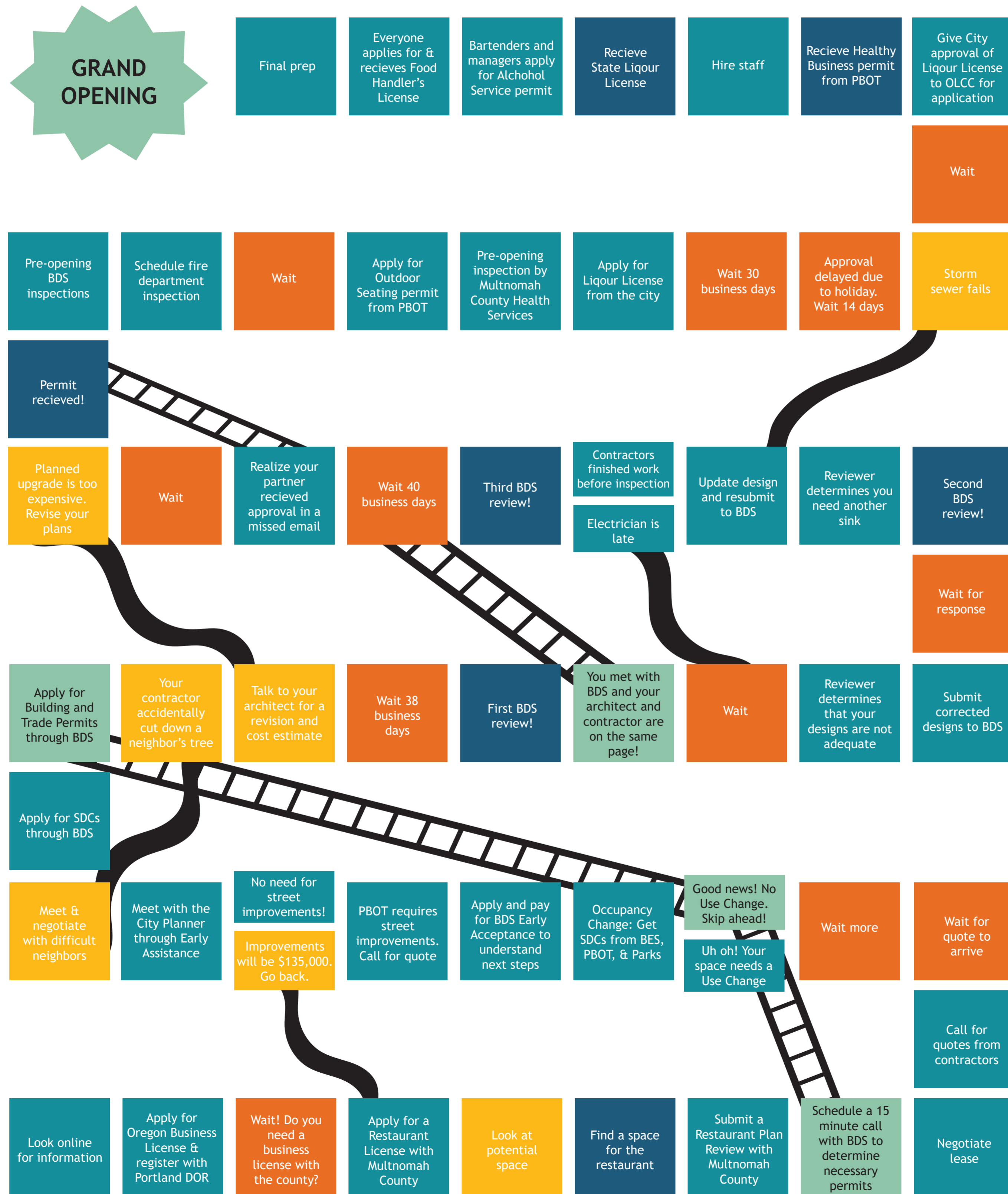


NAVIGATING THE PERMITTING PROCESS



"You can get one permit, but a different bureau might have different requirements."

"An occupancy change is challenging and triggers SDC fees. Construction costs can end up being hundreds of thousands of dollars."

"Permitting can be a nightmare unless you are clear on what permits you need. It's usually businesses that already have an understanding that can navigate."

Legend

- Best-Case Scenarios:** Knowledgeable entrepreneurs who have opened businesses before can secure permits more easily. They fast track decisions and know who to contact.
- Suboptimal Scenario:** Suboptimal decisions that delay opening and add expenses, extending the permitting process. These missteps often result from lack of experience navigating the complex requirements across multiple bureaus.
- Actions, Processes or Issues:** You may be able to avoid some if you take the right path.
- Permitting/Licensing Landmark:** You may not have to hit all of these to achieve your goal of opening a restaurant.
- Wait Times/Delays:** These may come about at any point in the permitting process.

Assumptions:

- Full service restaurant in Portland that seats 50 guests
- 1,000 square-foot floor plan
- Alteration/remodel cost of \$100,000
- Five new plumbing fixtures & three electrical alterations
- Outdoor seating for 30 linear feet of sidewalk
- Restaurant sign is 10 feet

Sample Permitting Costs

Permit or License Category	Space Does Not Require Use Change	Space Requires Use Change
Business and Restaurant Licensing	\$1,805	\$1,805
Liquor License	\$900	\$900
Building Permit Intake Fees	\$2,065	\$2,065
System Development Charges	\$21,220	\$41,590
Trades Permits and Other Fees	\$5,480	\$5,920
Total	\$31,129	\$51,939