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## Withdrawal & Refund for Escrow Accounts-Land Development

The Withdrawal or Refund Request is an amendment record type that allows an applicant to file a withdrawal and/or refund request for any record submitted in BuildSA. Currently only Land Development records are created in BuildSA with the exception of Garage Sale Permits (coming October 1).

The Withdrawal or Refund Request record is also used to close an Escrow Account and request a refund from that account.

**The purpose of this record is for the customer to be able to initiate the request from the ACA portal.**

### Things to know about Withdrawal and Refund records and Escrow Accounts:

- Only the Escrow Owner may use the Withdrawal and Refund record for Escrow Accounts
- Any balance on an Escrow Account is returned to the Escrow Owner only
  - Approximately 30 days for processing
- Escrow Accounts Only: When selecting Request Type in **Step 2** of the application, do **not** use *Withdrawal/Cancel and Refund* and *Withdrawal/Cancel Only*

### Before you begin

1. Gather pertinent information: Citizen Access login information, Original record ID # (parent record), any documents you want to upload (documents must be scanned), etc.

### Creating the Withdrawal/Refund Record

1. **Login** to your Citizen Access Account (to register for an account use the following link: <https://aca.sanantonio.gov/CitizenAccess/Default.aspx>.)
2. **Using** the **My Records** tab, locate and open the Escrow account on which you are the owner.
3. **Scroll** to the bottom of the page that displays (Record Details page). **Click** *Create Amendment*.

Create Amendment

4. **Click** the radio button to the left of Withdrawal or Refund Request. **Click** *Continue Application*.
5. The Application Intake Form displays (**Step 1**) and is pre-populated with the parent record information.

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6. **Click *Continue Application***. **Step 2: Application Information** displays. Complete required fields (# 1 and #2 shown).
7. **Complete** all required fields. Required fields are identifiable with a red asterisk (\*).
8. **Click *Continue Application*** (#3 shown).

**Escrow Accounts only:  
 Select Close and Refund  
 to close account and  
 request a refund.**

**Escrow Accounts only:  
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 request a refund but keep  
 the account open.**



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If Close and Refund is selected on an Escrow Account, BuildSA displays a confirmation message.

❖ **Note: BuildSA assesses a \$50.00 fee to close an Escrow Account.**

9. The system advances to the Attachment page of **Step 2**. A red banner displays across the top of the page (#1 shown). To upload documentation, **click Add** (#2 shown).

10. The File Upload screen displays. **Click Add**.
11. Internet Explorer window displays showing your computer drives. **Locate** your Close Escrow Letter. **Double-click** the file to upload to Citizen Access.
12. **Click Continue**. **Click** the required Type drop-down menu (#1 shown). **Click** to select Request to Close Escrow Letter.

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**Step 2: Application Information > Documents** \* Indicates a required field.

**Attachment**

The maximum file size allowed is 80 MB.  
 html;htm;mht;mhtml are disallowed file types to upload.

Name	Type	Size	Latest Update	Action
No records found.				

\* Type: Remove

--Select--  
 Other Document  
 Owner Authorization  
 Proof of Payment  
 Request to Close Escrow Letter

100%

Description:

2

Save    Add    Remove All

Continue Application »    3    Save and resume later

13. **Click Save (#2 shown).** Next, **click Continue Application (#3 shown).**

14. The system displays a green banner stating the attachments have been successfully uploaded. The attachment displays under the Attachment section. **Click Continue Application.**

**The attachment(s) has/have been successfully uploaded.**  
 It may take a few minutes before changes are reflected.

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Name	Type	Size	Latest Update	Action
Hydrangeas - Copy.jpg	Request to Close Escrow Letter	581.33 KB	08/07/2019	Actions ▾

Add

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15. The system advances to **Step 3: Review**. Click the box to the left of the certification acknowledgement. Next, click *Continue Application*.

16. System advances to **Step 4: Record Issuance**. A green banner displays when application is successfully submitted. Jot down the record number. You will find the record under the My Records section of your Citizen Access account.

**Thank you** for using Development Services Department's Citizen Access.