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BUILDING DIVISION COVID-19 INFORMATION

Effective May 4, 2020 the Building Division will begin to issue all types of permits. City Hall and other City offices and related programs will continue to be closed to the public in response to the shelter in place directive.

Building Inspections

The Building Division is asking owners/contractors to postpone inspections that are not necessary to keep a project active (e.g. minor projects such as water heater or HVAC replacement). Building permits are valid for a year from application date or from the last approved inspection. The city will not expire permits while the shelter in place directive is in effect.

If an inspection is required to keep your project active then follow the normal inspection request process. The phone number to request an inspection is on the permit. In adherence to the shelter in place directive, city inspection staff will not enter households. The inspector will contact the owner/contractor and request photographs of the installation to be texted in order to perform the inspection.

Larger projects that do not require inspectors to enter a household will be conducted as usual.

Resale Inspections

The Building Division is asking that resale inspections for homes that have not been listed or are not in contract to be postponed until normal operations resume. If it is necessary to have an inspection then the city will perform the inspection using photographs, permit history and a previous inventory of the home. Instructions for providing photographs to the resale inspector are available on the Community Development web page or can be provided by staff. City staff will not enter the household while the shelter in place directive is in effect.

Permits and Plan Review

The Building Division counter is closed to the public but will continue to conduct business electronically. If you have questions or need to make application for a permit or pick up a permit that is currently in plan check, you can contact staff at the email below. Click here for Instructions for [How to Apply for a Residential Building Permit Electronically \(2020\).pdf](#)

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