

## WHEN IS A PERMIT REQUIRED?

Permits are required when constructing, remodeling or enlarging a building. Permits are also required for other improvements to your property. Projects that are cosmetic, such as painting, wallpapering, carpeting, cabinets and trim work, etc., do not require permits. Additionally, permits are not required when replacing fixtures on existing wiring or fixtures to existing plumbing.

## THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF PROJECTS FOR WHICH A PERMIT IS REQUIRED:

- Construction of a building.
  - Main building.
  - o Accessory buildings.
- Additions to buildings.
- Garage conversions.
- Remodeling of a building requiring the addition or removal of any wall, window or door, or enlarging an opening for a window or door.
- Foundation repair
- Building or replacing a deck, stairs, and ramps
- Electrical work.
- Plumbing work.
- Water Heaters
- Replacing water or sewer lines
- Irrigation systems (lawn sprinklers).
- Installing or replacing a furnace or air conditioning system.
- Building or replacing a fence or a retaining wall.
- Replacing a roof.
- Installing or replacing a driveway and/or driveway approach and other types of flatwork (approach: the portion of the drive connecting to the street)
- Building a swimming pool or an aboveground pool over 24 inches deep
- Building a spa (self contained portable plug-in type spas require electrical permit and shall comply with safety glazing requirements).
- Demolition of a structure.

THIS IS NOT AN ALL-INCLUSIVE LIST. Questions concerning your specific project should be forwarded to the Building Inspection Department at (972) 919-2549.