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# Shoreacres Shorts

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## **City Building Permits are Required**

Every person planning to build, construct, place, alter, repair, move, or demolish a structure in the city is required to secure a permit before starting work.

### A permit is also required for:

- Patios, swimming pools, fences, and sprinkler systems.
- Driveways and culverts.
- Accessory buildings (including portable).
- Changes in electrical; and, gas, water or wastewater plumbing.
- New roofs and siding.
- Placement of more than 12-yards of fill or sand on any one lot.
- Any structural change to a building, including foundation repairs.
- Any other work that alters the exterior appearance or lines of a building.

No building or structure shall be erected, altered, reconstructed, converted, or added to until a building permit has been filed and approved by the building official. A building permit cannot be issued by the building official unless the building is to be erected and used is in conformity with all provisions of the City's Zoning Chapter 74.

The City of Shoreacres is in a coastal area subject to the state's Windstorm Inspection Program. For more information about this program contact the Texas Department of Insurance field office in La Marque at 409.986.9552.

#### A permit is not required for:

- Painting inside or outside.
- Minor roof spot and leak repairs.
- Replacement of air conditioners, heating furnaces, water heaters and plumbing fixtures providing that no change is made in electrical, gas or water service.

### No Passing on the Shoulder, It's the Law

Drivers are cautioned that driving on the improved shoulder of the road to pass traffic waiting on a traffic light is illegal, even if only to make a right turn at the intersection. TxDOT has been asked to add a right turn lane for westbound traffic at SH-146. Until we have a right turn lane please join the other traffic, be safe and wait for the green light.

### **Door-to-Door Salesman Need a City Permit**

The City requires most door-to-door salesmen to have a solicitor's permit. You should ask anyone who comes to your door to show you their permit. If you encounter solicitors without a permit please call the Police Department at 281.326.5900.