



## **BUILDING PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS**

### **Why do I need a building permit?**

There are many reasons for obtaining building permits for construction. Taking out a permit provides you the services of a Certified Plan reviewer who will make sure that the plans are complete, that the plans comply with accepted City Codes, and that the plans meet State minimum construction standards. In addition, a building inspector will perform inspections to make sure that construction is consistent with the plans and minimum standards for construction technique.

Construction is a substantial financial investment, which can be seriously jeopardized by non-complying construction. Work done without required permits is not only illegal, but will create problems when you try to sell your property. Fire and homeowners insurance coverage may not recognize work performed without permits or may be invalidated.