



Shoreacres Shorts

July 2006

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. No building permit shall be issued by the building official unless the building to be erected and used is in conformity with all provisions of 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.

Free Fishing Class – Wednesday, July 26th

A free summer fishing program titled, "*Basic Bay Fishing Techniques*" sponsored by the Shoreacres Parks & Recreation Advisory Board began July 12th. The program is presented at Shell Beach by Mike Shannahan who writes a fishing column for the Bayshore Sun. The class will address bay fishing from the shore and piers. Participants will use their own equipment and bait for the two-hour evening classes (6:30p). The program is very basic and is open to adults and children ages six and older (children 6-10 must be accompanied by an adult). Participants must have appropriate licenses. This casual program will be presented again July 26; and, August 9 & 23. You can attend any or all of these free sessions.