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Announcement

NEW ZONING AND BUILDING PERMIT FEES GO INTO EFFECT AUGUST 27, 2012

ATTENTION: Please be aware that the new *Construction Unpermitted-Recovery of Enforcement Costs (CUREC)* fee has been adopted and will also go into effect.

The California Building Code (CBC) Section 109.4 states that "*any person who commences any work on a building, structure, electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system before obtaining the necessary permits shall be subject to a fee established by the Building Official that shall be in addition to the required permit fees.*"

Any person, who commences work which requires a building permit and is issued a stop work order or notice of violation, shall be subject to the CUREC (Construction Unpermitted-Recovery of Enforcement Costs) fee. This means that 100% of the Building and/or grading permit, processing, plan check and inspection fees shall be added to the basic fees associated with permitting the construction. Additional fees may be added as warranted for zoning and environmental permits, county counsel time, court costs and other non-building permit costs related to the resolution of the violation.

12.10.310 Permits Required.

Except as specified in SCCC 12.10.315, no building, structure or building and/or property service equipment regulated by this chapter and the most recent edition of the California Building Code, the California Residential Code, the California Mechanical Code, the California Plumbing Code, and the California Electrical Code shall be erected, constructed, enlarged, altered, repaired, moved, improved, removed, converted or demolished unless a separate, appropriate permit for each building, structure or building and/or property service equipment has first been obtained from the Building Official.

Exempted Work: For a breakdown of work exempted from a permit, please see Section 12.10.315 of the County Code.