

City of

CASTROVILLE

Monthly Newsletter

August 2016



FAQ: Building Permits

Question: When is a building permit required?

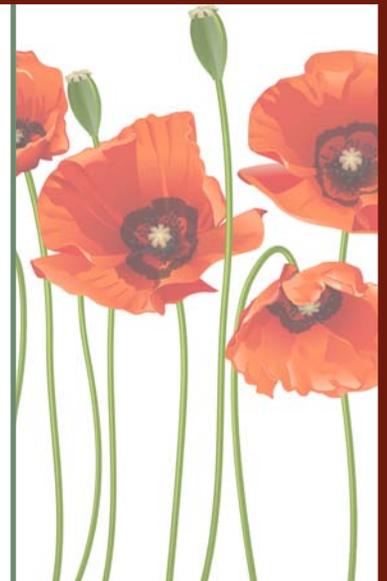
Answer: Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change the occupancy of a building or structure; erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system; or causes any such work to be done, should contact the building official and submit any required applications.

Question: Are there any projects exempt from permitting?

Answer: Yes, there are some projects that are exempt from permitting under the code as listed below. Please note that the following list is not all inclusive. Historic properties or properties within the floodplain may require separate permits or approvals even if exempt from building permit. However, regardless of whether a project requires a permit or not, all projects must meet the requirements of the adopted codes and ordinances of the City of Castroville.

- One-story detached accessory structures (200 square feet or less).
- Fences not over 7 feet high.
- Retaining walls that are not over 4 feet in height.
- Water tanks 5,000 gallons or less with max ratio (height : diameter) of 2:1.
- Most finish work.
- Sidewalks (on private property).
- Prefabricated swimming pools.
- Swings and other playground equipment.
- Window awnings.

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FY 17 BUDGET & TAX HEARINGS & WORKSHOPS

**August 23rd at 6:00 pm
at City Hall**

- 1st Tax Rate Hearing
- 1st Budget Workshop

**August 25th at 6:00 pm
at Airport**

- 2nd Budget Workshop

**September 6th at 6:00
pm at City Hall**

- 2nd Tax Rate Hearing
- Budget Hearing and possible Budget Workshop

Meeting dates and times may change. Check the city's website for up-to-date information.

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CITY COUNCIL & BOARD MEETINGS

City Council

- August 9th at 6:00 pm
- August 23rd at 6:00 pm
- September 13th at 6:00 pm
- September 27th at 6:00 pm

Library Advisory

- August 10th at 6:30 pm
- September 14th at 6:30 pm

Parks

- August 16th at 6:30 pm
- September 20th at 6:30 pm

Planning & Zoning

- August 10th at 5:30 pm
- September 14th at 5:30 pm

Historic Landmark

- August 16th at 6:30 pm
- September 20th at 6:30 pm

Airport

- August 6th at 9:00 am
- September 3rd at 9:00 am

Meeting dates and times may change. Check the city's website for up-to-date information.
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24 HOUR UTILITY EMERGENCIES (830) 931-4091

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- Decks 200 square feet max which are not more than 30 inches above grade at any point, are not attached to a dwelling, and do not serve the exit door.
- Shade cloth structures.
- Minor repairs and maintenance.

Always remember that every project is different. It is always best to call the Community Development Department at 830-931-4090 before starting any project--**Lora Robbins, Community Development Coordinator**

TCEQ Wastewater Permit Renewal Public Meeting

The TCEQ Wastewater Permit Renewal Public Meeting is scheduled for September 15th 7pm American Legion, Weiss-Wurzbach Post 460, 1305 Fiorella, Castroville, Texas 78009.



PROTECT YOURSELF from MOSQUITO BITES

Mosquitoes spread Zika and other viruses.



Daytime is the most dangerous

Mosquitoes that spread Zika are aggressive daytime biters. They can also bite at night.



Use insect repellent It works!

Look for the following active ingredients:

- DEET • PICARIDIN • IR3535
- OIL of LEMON EUCALYPTUS
- PARA-MENTHANE-DIOL



Wear protective clothes

Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants or use insect repellent. For extra protection, treat clothing with permethrin.



Mosquito-proof your home

Use screens on windows and doors. Use air conditioning when available. Keep mosquitoes from laying eggs near standing water.



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

For more information: www.cdc.gov/zika

National Night Out 2016



Cpl. A. Skolweck, Castroville Police Department--Totally Rad!! The Castroville Police Department is beginning their plans for the annual National Night Out event. It will be held on Tuesday, October 4, 2016, from 5:00p – 8:00p, at Regional Park.

For this year’s event, the police department is expecting that many of the locally owned and operated businesses will get involved. This year’s theme is ‘the 80’s’, so we invite you to get creative and design a booth to showcase your business or create a game for the kids. If these are not possible any contribution i.e. gift certificates, that your organization can provide for the door prizes would be greatly appreciated. Any questions can be forwarded to Cpl. A. Skolweck at 830 931-2222 or ashley.skolweck@castrovilletx.gov.

Last Day of Summer Reading to be Held at fitwell

Castroville Public Library's Summer Reading Program will be held. . .

at **fitwell**
MEDINA VALLEY FITNESS



We had such an amazing time at the library with our fitwell friends that we’re going to visit them on our last day of summer reading!

We had such an amazing time at the library. Now we're going to visit our friends at fitwell.



Friday, August 19, 2:30 pm to 4 pm

Join us for:
Fun, Games and Equipment Training
Kids' Smoothie Party

There will be fun, games, equipment training, a kids’ smoothie party, and our end of the year prizes!

830-931-9166

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fitwellmv.com