

# WORK THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE A BUILDING PERMIT



## BUILDING DEPARTMENT

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A building permit is required for the construction, repair, improvement, moving or demolition of any structure in city limits. An application for a building permit is available at City Hall. A building permit *is not* required for the following:

1. One-story detached accessory buildings used as storage sheds, playhouses or similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 120 square feet. (A min. 5 feet setback from side property lines and 10 feet from rear property line is required.)
2. Fences under 6' (Fences still require a zoning permit to verify fence location).
3. Movable cases, counters and partitions not over 5'9".
4. Retaining walls that are not over 4' in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall.
5. Platforms, walks and driveways not more than 30" above grade and not over any basement or story below. The platform is to be free standing (not attached to a building).
6. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, countertops, and similar finish work.
7. Window awnings supported by an exterior wall when projecting not more than 54".
8. Prefabricated swimming pools installed entirely above grade, 18 inches or less in depth and having a plane surface less than 50 sq. ft. (under 8 feet in diameter for a round pool.)

**Apply for permits at City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Only homeowners currently living in the building or licensed Minnesota Residential Contractors may apply for residential building permits. Complete permit applications may be mailed. Up to five (5) working days may be required for permit processing for new dwellings and major additions.**

### **PLEASE ADDRESS ALL INQUIRIES TO:**

Department of Building Safety  
E-Mail - [info@cityoflittlefalls.com](mailto:info@cityoflittlefalls.com)

Phone: (320) 616-5500  
Fax: (320) 616-5505

*This informational document may not comprehensively address all City ordinances regarding the subject addressed. It is provided to serve only as a helpful guide during design phase and permit application. Any work requiring permits is not allowed until all required permits have been issued by the City of Little Falls.*