

Universal PV Solar Permits

Starting on 6/1/2014, PV (Photovoltaic) Solar will be issued universal permits that do not require Electrical contractors to pull a separate attachment. All fees will be paid up front when the building permit is issued. Electrical contractors will be able to request inspections on these permits without attaching first. Building fees will be unchanged, except for large projects where the building fee may be increased by the amount that was previously reserved for the Electrical attachment (since Solar fees are capped at a maximum of \$500 total for Residential and \$2000 total for Commercial).

In general, when performing electrical work it is necessary to get an Electrical attachment prior to being able to request an inspection. Some types of projects, such as a new Single Family home, are issued universal permits. For these projects all permit fees are paid by the builder and Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing subcontractors can request their own inspections without attaching. Universal permits will block online attachments because they are not necessary, and direct you to request the inspection instead. Non-universal permits will block inspection requests if you have not already attached to the permit.