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BUILDING BULLETIN 2021-13

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To: Building Development Services Customers

From: Mr. Gerry Pinzon, PE, Building Official

Subject: Emergency Repairs

Purpose:

This information bulletin provides information and procedure to follow when conducting emergency repairs.

Scope:

International Building Code Section A 105.2.1 – Emergency Repairs

Where equipment replacements and repairs must be performed in an emergency situation, the permit application shall be submitted within the next working business day to the Building Official.

For this reason, the Building Official does have the authority to allow emergency repairs without obtaining the proper permits to correct the situation. However, the proper contractor must obtain the permit within the next business day, which in the case of a weekend; the permit would be obtained on Monday.

In the event the work is of electrical nature, the Master Electrician can request the Electrical provider (AEP or Medina Electric) to reconnect the power source to the structure, provided the standard process and protocols were followed according to the International Code Council. In this case, there will be no need for a green tag since the permit will be obtained retroactively.

For other repairs requiring a building permit, the contractor would just submit the permit retroactively the next business day to ensure the emergency repairs were conducted up to code requirements.