

Questions for Discussion of Building Permit Requirements

The Code currently includes an exception from permit requirements for maintenance projects in which materials cost is less than \$1,000. (Chapter 71)

- Should this exception be continued?
- If so, should maintenance be defined?
- Should the threshold of \$1,000 be increased and if so, how much?
- If a threshold is to be maintained, should it be based on total project cost or remain as materials?

Should other exceptions from permit requirements be included in the code?

- Non-structural changes
- Interior finishes
- Exterior finishes
- Replacement of existing equipment, excluding exterior HVAC units
- Should proposed exceptions apply to both flood zone and non-flood zone properties?

Should we add a definition for Maintenance into the town code; Should we consider maintenance activities as an exception from permit requirements?

- **Maintenance** shall mean the ongoing duty of every property owner, operator, or occupant to keep all buildings, structures, premises, and accessory facilities in a safe, sanitary, structurally sound, and functional condition, consistent with the requirements of this Code and other applicable standards. Maintenance includes both preventive and corrective actions to preserve property in good repair, protect the public health and safety, and sustain neighborhood character.