attached garage and house.

For questions, contact Structural Inspections at (832) 394-8840.

Electrical Repairs
All electrical work requires a permit and must be completed by a licensed electrical contractor.

For questions, contact Electrical Inspections at (832) 394-8860.

Mechanical Repairs
Permits are not required for the installation or replacement of thermostats and grills that are part of the HVAC system.

Permits are required for all other mechanical work.

For questions, contact Mechanical Inspections at (832) 394-8850.

Plumbing Repairs
Permits are not required to replace bathroom or kitchen faucets, ballcocks or water control valves, garbage disposals, or water closets.

Permits are required for all other plumbing work, including sinks.

For questions, contact Plumbing Inspections at (832) 394-8870.

Additional Information

Contact us to help with your storm damage repair issue.

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As we begin the process of cleaning up and rebuilding after the storm, the City of Houston wants to remind homeowners of several basic repair rules:

- Electrical, mechanical or plumbing contractors making repairs to your home must buy a permit and be registered with the City of Houston.
- To verify Master Electricians and HVAC licensees, visit www.tdlr.texas.gov.
- To verify Master Plumbers, visit tsbpe.state.tx.us/consumer-information.html
- General contractors are not required to have a license. Check with the Better Business Bureau at bbb.org/houston for complaints and scams.
- It is recommended to get three bids and review each carefully.
- Homeowners may apply for plumbing and HVAC permits with prior approval. Contact each inspections group for more details.
- If electrical service was disconnected, a permit is required to re-energize the service.
- If electrical outlets, switches, receptacles, devices and/or equipment were flooded, a licensed electrician must replace them to the current code requirements.

Structural Repairs
Permits are not required for:
- Tarping
- Repairing wooden and metal fences less than 8 feet in height
- Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work
- Repairing damaged gypsum board (a.k.a. Sheetrock or drywall) that is not part of a fire-rated assembly
- Repairing exterior wood fascia, trim and soffits.

Permits are required for:
- Repairing damaged gypsum board that is part of a fire-rated assembly (ex: a shared wall in a townhome)
- Structural damage such as walls being moved, joists or rafters knocked down, and roof collapse
- Repairing siding that exceeds 128 square feet and all exterior veneers
- Roof covering and repair that exceeds 100 square feet
- Replacing windows, exterior doors, and the door between an