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I DON'T NEED A BUILDING PERMIT FOR....

**City of Grand Rapids
Building Safety Division**

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I don't need a building permit for:

- Painting, wall papering, ceramic tile and similar wall finishes
- Carpeting and other floor coverings including wood floors
- Cabinets, countertops and vanities
- Gutters and downspouts, window wraps, and soffit and fascia
- Window awnings supported by the exterior wall of the dwelling
- Decks, landings and unroofed porches not more than 30 inches above grade and not structurally connected to the dwelling (Requires zoning approval)
- Fences (Requires zoning approval)
- Adding attic insulation
- Patios, private sidewalks, and replacement of non-structural garage floors
- Retaining walls that aren't over four feet in height from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall
- One story tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses not exceeding 200 square feet (Requires zoning approval)

If in doubt, call the Building Safety Division for advice at 218-326-7601.