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OFFICE OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER

LETTER TO COUNCIL

NO. 105-2020

To: Mayor Gabriel Groisman and Members of the Village Council

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez, Village Manager



Date: July 24, 2020

Subject: Building Department Virtual Inspections

The purpose of this Letter to Council (LTC) is to inform you that the Village Building Department is expanding their services to better serve our community during this era of the Novel COVID-19.

The Village Building Department has been performing Virtual Inspections as of July 16, 2020, in order to facilitate required FBC inspections. In order to best accommodate our Building Industry Customers', the Village Building Department is using various video call applications in order to perform the Florida Building Code required inspections.

The Building Department is allowing the Contractor to choose his/her preferred video call application either Zoom App, Face Time or What's App for use on his/her iPad, tablet or iPhone. The procedures for virtual inspections are available on the Village Building Department web page.

The Building Department is continuing to accept Inspections by Affidavit and performing in person inspections for unoccupied new single-family homes.

In addition to virtual inspections, the Village has set up GoTo Meeting calendars for virtual appointments with Building Department Permit Technicians, the Chief Building Inspector and the Village Building Official.

The Village Building Department has set aside Friday's as Design Professional day to facilitate discussions with Design Professionals and our Chief Building Inspector/Plan Examiner and/or the Building Official. Village Building Department Stakeholders can request an appointment online at <https://www.balharbourfl.gov/government/departments/building>.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

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