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City of La Mesa Launches Instant Residential Solar Permit Program

RESIDENTS CAN APPLY AND INSTANTLY RECEIVE PERMITS

LA MESA, CA – The City of La Mesa is proud to announce the launch of instant permits for residential solar and battery storage systems.

“We’re thrilled to introduce this online platform, which marks a significant step towards enhancing the ease of doing business in our community and promoting renewable energy adoption,” City Manager Greg Humora said. **“The adaptation of the new platform will ensure compliance with our local procedures and code stipulations in real time, ensuring a tailored and efficient solution.”**

The new online platform, powered through our partner Symbium, is able to instantly issue permits, decreasing costs for permit applications and increasing the speed of solar installations.

"Residents and other customers will appreciate the ease and convenience of the new system," Director of Community Development Lynnette Santos, said. **"The new program not only saves customers’ time, but also increases overall staff productivity through its streamlined process. It’s a win-win for everyone involved."**

The platform will also help La Mesa residents decrease electricity generated emissions, which, in turn, will assist the City in achieving its Climate Action Plan goal of reducing communitywide greenhouse gas emissions. Additionally, this platform complies with California's Senate Bill (SB) 379 solar permitting mandate, which requires cities and counties to implement a platform that checks for code compliance and automates the issuance of permits for residential solar energy and storage systems.

The City has been committed to streamlining its permitting process since 2021. Notably, the City has introduced the user-friendly online permit portal, [Maintstar](#), which allows residents and contractors to submit permit applications entirely online.

These efforts underscore the City's dedication to improving the permitting system and providing the highest level of service to our community. This goal has consistently remained at the forefront of the City's priorities.

To get started with applying for a residential solar permit in La Mesa, visit cityoflamesa.us/solarpermits.

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