City of Torrance
Community Development Department
Building & Safety

Residential Permit Process

New Residence or Addition

Hillside Overlay District

YES

Planning Department Approval Required

NO

Less than 200 s.f. addition

YES

Over the counter plan check if Type V construction. No structural calculations.

NO

Submit 2 sets of plans and supporting documents.

One Set

Building and Structural Review

Issue Permit

NO

Corrections or Conditions

YES

Pick Up Corrections and Conditions for Permit from other Departments

Make corrections and resubmit to Building & safety.

Interdepartmental Review:
Environmental Planning (if required)
Engineering
Grading

Conditions from other Departments must be cleared separately.

Permit must be obtained by a licensed contractor, authorized agent or the home owner.