You need a demolition permit to remove a building no matter the size of the building.

The following documentation is **REQUIRED** to issue a demolition permit:

- Completed **Demolition Permit Application**
- Completed **Application for Disconnection of Water and / or Sewer Service**. 
  This form must be signed off by the Field Services Personnel and the City Treasurer or designee (who certifies that taxes have been paid).
- Notice for Utilities Disconnection
- Written proof from DTE that both local electric and gas utilities have been disconnected. 
  Telephone, Internet and Cable TV should also be disconnected by no written proof is required.
- Completed **Affidavit of Investigation into House Relocation and Reclamation of Usable Materials** form.

If the building will **NOT** be replaced immediately:

- Submit a Completed **GRADING APPLICATION** for approval

If the building / property is in a designated historic district:

- Submit an **APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF APPROPRIATENESS** for approval 
  The Historic District Commission must grant approval before any demolition permit can be issued. A special public hearing is held for every demolition request.

**Submit the completed package with ALL documentation to the Construction and Building Services for review**

If the site will not be used for another building, Code requires that the foundation be removed at least three (3) feet below grade and any slabs or other flatwork be broken up to ensure proper water drainage on the site. No organic material may be left in the hole. An inspection must be scheduled, made and passed before the former basement maybe filled in and again after the site is graded.

**ALTERNATIVES TO DEMOLITION**

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**ALTERNATIVES TO LANDFILL**

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<td>Builders, deconstructors and individuals can donate good condition building materials, appliances, tools and household items.</td>
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### PROPERTY LOCATION/OWNER INFORMATION

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<th>PROPERTY ADDRESS (Street No. and Name)</th>
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**Is this a Rental Property?**

- [ ] No
- [ ] Yes, # of Units: __________

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<th>NAME OF OWNER</th>
<th>PHONE/CELL # (AREA CODE)</th>
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### APPLICANT INFORMATION

**WHO IS APPLYING FOR PERMIT?**

- [ ] OWNER
- [ ] CONTRACTOR

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<th>NAME AND / OR COMPANY</th>
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<td>FEDERAL EMPLOYER I.D. # (OR REASON FOR EXEMPTION)</td>
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**WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE CARRIER (OR REASON FOR EXEMPTION)**

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<th>MESC EMPLOYEE #</th>
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YOU MUST SUBMIT A COMPLETED APPLICATION
AFFIDAVIT OF INVESTIGATION INTO HOUSE RELOCATION
AND RECLAMATION OF USEABLE MATERIALS

House Location: __________________________________________

☐ I certify that I have received the information from the City of Ann Arbor regarding persons or organizations interested in relocating or acquiring houses otherwise proposed for demolition.

☐ I have investigated the possibility of relocation of this house and reclamation of materials contained therein.

☐ I have contacted the following (No minimum number of contacted required):

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The following is a result of the contact(s):

☐ Decision is to relocate the house.

☐ Decision is to reclaim a portion of the materials prior to demolition.

☐ Decision is to demolish the house because (for information only):

______________________________________________________________________

______________________________________________________________________

Signed:

Print Name:

Address:

Date:
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Alternatives to Landfills

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