

Development and Compliance Services **Building Division**

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RE: Monthly Report for September 2013

Attached are the Building Division's monthly report for September 2013 and copies of the Summary of the Inspectors' Workload reports.

Permit Issuance

By the end of September, 3,430 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately \$579.3 million dollars, representing 1,435 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 2.0% decrease in the number of permits, an 12.2% decrease in the construction value and a 11.7% decrease in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of September, the number of single and semi-detached dwellings issued were 578, which was a 8.0% decrease over last year.

At the end of September, there were 494 applications in process, representing approximately \$181.5 million dollars in construction value and an additional 476 dwelling units, compared with 419 applications having a construction value of \$61.0 million dollars and an additional 126 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of September averaged out to 20 applications a day for a total of 398 in 20 working days. There were 54 permit applications to build 54 new single detached dwellings, 12 townhouse applications to build 23 units, of which 8 were cluster single dwelling units.

There were 431 permits issued in September totalling \$50,808,146 including 93 new dwelling units.

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Inspections

Although multiple inspections may be booked and completed for a project on the same day (ie. structural framing and HVAC rough-in), only one inspection is counted in this report. This provides a more accurate depiction of the inspectors' workload.

Building Inspectors received 1,452 inspection calls and conducted 1,786 building permit related inspections with an additional 8 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 1,794 inspections or an average of 179 inspections made per inspector this month based on 10 inspectors, which averages out to 10 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 200 person working days – 16 vac/sick day/training = 184) There are a total of 9,876 active building permits or an average of 988 permits per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.0% of the time.

Plumbing Inspectors received 740 inspection calls and conducted a total of 843 permit related inspections, there was 3 inspections performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 4 inspections. During the month, a total of 850 inspections were conducted with an average of 170 per inspector, which averages out to 9.6 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 100 person working days – 11 vac/sick day/training = 89.0). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 3173 or 635 on average per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.3% of the time.

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