

Development and Compliance Services **Building Division**

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RE: Monthly Report for December 2013

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

Permit Issuance

By the end of December, 4,311 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately \$732.0 million dollars, representing 1,907 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 1.7% increase in the number of permits, a 6.0% decrease in the construction value and a 2.2% increase in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of December, the number of single and semi-detached dwellings issued were 717, which was a 6.6% decrease over last year.

At the end of December, there were 455 applications in process, representing approximately \$222.3 million dollars in construction value and an additional 748 dwelling units, compared with 413 applications having a construction value of \$87.0 million dollars and an additional 511 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of December averaged out to 14.8 applications a day for a total of 245 in 16.5 working days. There were 60 permit applications to build 60 new single detached dwellings, 40 townhouse applications to build 153 units, of which 10 were cluster single dwelling units.

There were 204 permits issued in December totalling \$26,877,362 including 63 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 918 inspection calls and conducted 1,115 building permit related inspections with an additional 2 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 1,117 inspections or an average of 112 inspections made per inspector this month based on 10 inspectors, which averages out to 8 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 165 person working days – 24 vac/sick day/training = 141) There are a total of 9,750 active building permits or an average of 975 permits per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.5% of the time.

Plumbing Inspectors received 426 inspection calls and conducted a total of 556 permit related inspections, there were 6 inspections performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 7 inspections. During the month, a total of 563 inspections were conducted with an average of 113 per inspector, which averages out to 6.6 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: person working days – 13.5 vac/sick day/training = 71.5). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 3023 or 605 on average per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.8% of the time.

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