Attached are the Building Division's monthly report for September 2014 and copies of the Summary of the Inspectors' Workload reports.

**Permit Issuance**

By the end of September, 3,128 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately $567 million dollars, representing 1,288 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 8.8% decrease in the number of permits, a 2.1% decrease in the construction value and an 10.24% decrease in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of September, the number of single and semi-detached dwellings issued were 559, which was a 3.3% decrease over last year.

At the end of September, there were 628 applications in process, representing approximately $321 million dollars in construction value and an additional 1,052 dwelling units, compared with 494 applications having a construction value of $182 million dollars and an additional 476 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of September averaged out to 16.4 applications a day for a total of 344 in 21 working days. There were 24 permit applications to build 24 new single detached dwellings, 20 townhouse applications to build 83 units, of which 5 were cluster single dwelling units.

There were 336 permits issued in September totalling $55.9 million including 116 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 1,685 inspection calls and conducted 2,059 building permit related inspections with an additional 23 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 2,082 inspections or an average of 189 inspections made per inspector this month based on 11 inspectors, which averages out to 9.4 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 231 person working days – 9.5 vac/sick day/training = 221.5) There are a total of 8,828 active building permits or an average of 803 permits per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.7% of the time.

Plumbing Inspectors received 777 inspection calls and conducted a total of 923 permit related inspections, there was 1 inspection performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 6 inspections. During the month, a total of 930 inspections were conducted with an average of 186 per inspector, which averages out to 9.8 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 105 person working days – 10 vac/sick day/training = 95). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 2,500 or 500 on average per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.6% of the time.

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