

Development and Compliance Services **Building Division**

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RE: Monthly Report for October 2014

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

Permit Issuance

By the end of October, 3,552 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately \$632 million dollars, representing 1,455 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 7.11% decrease in the number of permits, a 0.6% decrease in the construction value and a 7.7% decrease in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of October, the number of single and semi-detached dwellings issued were 606, which was a 4.7% decrease over last year.

At the end of October, there were 602 applications in process, representing approximately \$319 million dollars in construction value and an additional 944 dwelling units, compared with 430 applications having a construction value of \$192 million dollars and an additional 591 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of October averaged out to 18.3 applications a day for a total of 404 in 22 working days. There were 35 permit applications to build 35 new single detached dwellings, 11 townhouse applications to build 16 units, of which 10 were cluster single dwelling units.

There were 424 permits issued in October totalling \$65.0 million including 167 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 1,583 inspection calls and conducted 1,902 building permit related inspections with an additional 9 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 1,911 inspections or an average of 174 inspections made per inspector this month based on 11 inspectors, which averages out to 8.9 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 242 person working days – 27 vac/sick day/training = 215) There are a total of 8,745 active building permits or an average of 795 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 862 inspection calls and conducted a total of 980 permit related inspections, there were 0 inspections performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 5 inspections. During the month, a total of 985 inspections were conducted with an average of 197 per inspector, which averages out to 10.5 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 110 person working days – 16 vac/sick day/training = 94). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 2,492 or 498 on average per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.7% of the time.

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