

Development and Compliance Services **Building Division**

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RE: Monthly Report for December 2014

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

Permit Issuance

By the end of December, 4,176 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately \$818.5 million dollars, representing 2,051 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 3.1% decrease in the number of permits, an 11.8% increase in the construction value and a 7.5% increase in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of December, the number of single and semi-detached dwellings issued were 693, which was a 3.4% decrease over last year.

At the end of December, there were 418 applications in process, representing approximately \$587 million dollars in construction value and an additional 1,441 dwelling units, compared with 455 applications having a construction value of \$222 million dollars and an additional 748 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of December averaged out to 16.4 applications a day for a total of 288 in 17.5 working days. There were 39 permit applications to build 39 new single detached dwellings, 5 townhouse applications to build 25 units, of which 1 was a cluster single dwelling unit.

There were 293 permits issued in December totalling \$102 million including 361 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 1,058 inspection calls and conducted 1,319 building permit related inspections with an additional 19 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 1,338 inspections or an average of 134 inspections made per inspector this month based on 10 inspectors, which averages out to 8.9 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 175 person working days –24 vac/sick day/training = 151) There are a total of 8,560 active building permits or an average of 856 permits per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.9% of the time.

Plumbing Inspectors received 533 inspection calls and conducted a total of 646 permit related inspections, there were 2 inspections performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 3 inspections. During the month, a total of 651 inspections were conducted with an average of 130 per inspector, which averages out to 9.2 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 87.5 person working days – 17 vac/sick day/training = 70.5). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 2,436 or 487 on average per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.2% of the time.

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