

Development and Compliance Services **Building Division**

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RE: Monthly Report for March 2015

Attached are the Building Division's monthly report for March 2015 and copies of the Summary of the Inspectors' Workload reports.

Permit Issuance

By the end of March, 816 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately \$178 million dollars, representing 317 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 22.3% increase in the number of permits, a 75% increase in the construction value and a 60.9% increase in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of March, the number of single and semi-detached dwellings issued were 121, which was a 9.7% decrease over last year.

At the end of March, there were 486 applications in process, representing approximately \$236 million dollars in construction value and an additional 542 dwelling units, compared with 438 applications having a construction value of \$209 million dollars and an additional 735 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of March averaged out to 14.1 applications a day for a total of 311 in 22 working days. There were 64 permit applications to build 64 new single detached dwellings, 7 townhouse applications to build 12 units, of which 5 were cluster single dwelling units.

There were 260 permits issued in March totalling \$44.3 million including 51 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 1,082 inspection calls and conducted 1,479 building permit related inspections with an additional 13 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 1,492 inspections or an average of 149 inspections made per inspector this month based on 10 inspectors, which averages out to 7.7 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 220 person working days – 25 vac/sick day/training = 195) There are a total of 8,371 active building permits or an average of 837 permits per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 100% of the time.

Plumbing Inspectors received 644 inspection calls and conducted a total of 897 permit related inspections, there were 5 inspections performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 31 inspections. During the month, a total of 933 inspections were conducted with an average of 187 per inspector, which averages out to 9.1 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 110 person working days – 7.5 vac/sick day/training = 102.5). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 2,238 or 448 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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