

Planning and Development Department **Building Division Memo**

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RE: Monthly Report for March 2013

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

Permit Issuance

By the end of March, 752 permits had been issued with a construction value of approximately \$105.4 million dollars, representing 235 new dwelling units. Compared to last year, this represents a 7.7% decrease in the number of permits, a 24.1% decrease in the construction value and a 2.5% decrease in the number of dwelling units.

To the end of March, the number of single and semi detached dwellings issued were 125, which was a 31.7% decrease over last year.

At the end of March, there were 450 applications in process, representing approximately \$230.6 million dollars in construction value and an additional 837 dwelling units, compared with 429 applications having a construction value of \$193 million dollars and an additional 531 dwelling units for the same period last year.

The rate of incoming applications for the month of March averaged out to 15.4 applications a day for a total of 308 in 20 working days. There were 70 permit applications to build 70 new single detached dwellings, 14 townhouse applications to build 21 units, of which 11 were cluster single dwelling units.

There were 259 permits issued in March totalling \$38,976,350 including 115 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 996 inspection calls and conducted 1,210 building permit related inspections with an additional 14 inspections completed relating to complaints, licenses, orders and miscellaneous inspections. This is a total of 1,224 inspections or an average of 134 inspections made per inspector this month based on 9 inspectors*, which averages out to 8.3 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 180 person working days – 32 vac/sick day/training = 148) There are a total of 9,503 active building permits or an average of 950 permits per inspector. The provincially mandated requirement to inspect within 48 hours of receipt of an inspection request was achieved 99.0% of the time.

Plumbing Inspectors received 505 inspection calls and conducted a total of 738 permit related inspections, there were no inspections performed that related to the Backflow Prevention Program. Inspections relating to complaints, orders and miscellaneous calls totalled a further 4 inspections. During the month, a total of 742 inspections were conducted with an average of 148 per inspector, which averages out to 8.3 inspections per day per inspector. (Note: 100 person working days – 11 vac/sick day/training = 89). Active building permits involving plumbing totalled 2,822 or 564 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.

*During the month of March, one building inspector was assigned office duties (no field inspections).

PK: Attach.

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