Town of Vermilion 2021 Annual Development Permit Summary

This report will provide a summary of the Development Permits issued within the Town of Vermilion between January 1 and December 31, 2021. Note that the following information is based upon development permit applications which may or may not result in completed development.

Numbers of Development Permit Applications

- A total of 26 development permit applications were received in the period.
- Of the 26 permits, 2 were applications for home occupations.
- All 26 permits were approved by the Development Authority.

Permits Categories

The number of permit applications for each zone category is shown in Table 1. The largest number of permits issued was for Residential development which had 9 approved permits followed by 6 approvals for Commercial developments and 5 approvals for Home Occupations.

General Land Use Zone	Number of Applications / Number Approved	Percentage of Applications	
Residential	13 / 13	50.0%	
Commercial	7 / 7	26.9%	
Industrial	1 / 1	5.5%	
Institutional	2 / 2	7.7%	
Community	1 / 1	2.2%	
Home Occupation	2 / 2	7.7%	
TOTAL	26 / 26	100%	

Table 1. Development Permit Applications by Zone, Town of Vermilion, 2021.

Value of Development

In determining the value of development, home occupation permits are excluded as these typically have little expenditure associated with them. When home occupations are excluded, there were 24 developments in the Town of Vermilion during 2021. Table 2 provides the value of development for each general zone category. The estimated value of the 24 developments is \$18,408,500 with an average value of \$767,021 per development which is significantly skewed due to the \$12 million dollar renovation to the Animal Sciences building at the Lakeland College and also the \$3.3million dollar development of the new McDonald's restaurant. If these two developments are excluded the average value per development is approximately \$141,295.

General Land Use Zone	Value of Development	Percentage of Total
Residential	\$1,740.000	9.5%
Commercial	\$3,638,500	19.8%
ndustrial	\$10,000	0.0%
Community	\$500,000	2.6%
nstitutional	\$12,520,000	68.0%
TOTAL	\$18,408,500	100.0%

Table 2. Cost of Development by Zone, Town of Vermilion, 2021.

Comparison of Development Trends: 2002 - 2021

During 2021, the Town of Vermilion had 24 developments. Again, this number excludes home occupations. Table 3 provides the number of developments and value of developments for the period of 2002 to 2021.

Year	Number of Developments	Value of Developments \$2,412,395	
2002	52		
2003	43	\$4,284,900	
2004	60	\$7,224,686	
2005	53	\$5,156,600	
2006	52	\$21,124,700	
2007	59	\$8,375,900	
2008	46	\$12,637,300	
2009	66	\$22,401,700	
2010	34	\$10,420,700	
2011	41	\$5,738,500	
2012	44	\$10,031,500	
2013	53	\$16,239,000	
2014	40	\$24,283,700	
2015	54	\$45,735,200	
2016	27	\$14,813,300	
2017	28	\$15,305,700	
2018	38	\$15,951,200	
2019	17	\$23,307,500	
2020	15	\$509,500	
2021	24	\$18,408,500	
AVERAGE	42	\$14,218,124	

Table 3. Total Number of Developments, Town of Vermilion, 2002 - 2021

Within the last 20 years, the Town experienced the highest number of developments in 2009. The value of the developments has also increased over past years however the values for 2006 and 2009 were significantly skewed due to large multi-million-dollar developments such as the Vermilion Regional Centre in 2006 and major upgrades at the Lakeland College Campus in 2009. The values began increasing in 2014 with the start of highway commercial development in the new Junction Sixteen 41 subdivision and some large multi-family residential buildings which continued into 2015 which had the highest value ever. In 2019 the values were greatly affected with the construction of the new 19-million-dollar Sewer Treatment Plant. With the recent economic slowdown and the massive impact of COVID-19 in 2020 and carrying on into 2021, the number and value of permits is slightly down from past years. In the past 20 years there has been an estimated total of 283 million dollars in development.

New Housing

An important statistic to consider in evaluating development patterns and trends within the Town is the number of new housing starts and value of new housing. In 2021 there were 6 new single-family residential dwellings mainly which shows a positive increase from 2020 and the impact of COVID-19.

Year	New Housing Starts	Average Value of New Housing	Total Value of New Housing
2002	12	\$139,833	\$1,678,000
2003	10	\$139,800	\$1,398,000
2004	11	\$140,136	\$1,541,500
2005	6	\$167,333	\$1,004,000
2006	10	\$210,500	\$2,105,000
2007	19	\$231,737	\$4,403,000
2008	10	\$308,300	\$3,083,000
2009	13	\$284,231	\$3,695,000
2010	13	\$237,846	\$3,092,000
2011	14	\$222,357	\$3,113,000
2012	36	\$180,861	\$6,511,000
2013	39	\$153,615	\$5,991,000
2014	42	\$141,071	\$5,925,000
2015	12	\$354,333	\$4,252,000
2016	4	\$344,750	\$1,379,000
2017	7	\$285,714	\$2,000,000
2018	4	\$325,000	\$1,300,000
2019	3	\$360,000	\$1,080,000
2020	0	\$0	\$0
2021	6	\$281,667	\$16,690,000
MEAN (2002-2021)	14	\$216,576	\$3,512,025

Summary

The value of developments in 2021 was approximately \$18,408,500 which is a great improvement from 2020 and illustrates a positive economic trend even as the COVID-19 pandemic continues. Commercial and residential developments are prevailing and with the South Brennan lots dwindling down to only three lots remaining, additional densities of housing within the Town will be needed in the future which may facilitate the development of the North Brennan Subdivision.

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