

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

## MAY 2015 REPORT



The Community Development Department represents one of six City departments. The hub of the department is the Customer Center. The Customer Center provides all development related services in one location including building permits, building inspections, housing services, plan checking, planning permits, and other general permit services. The Community Development Department consists of the Planning, Housing, Building, Animal Control, and Code Compliance Services.

## CUSTOMER CENTER

The Customer Center serves as a one-stop shop for La Quinta residents. The City of La Quinta Customer Center is the central location for obtaining permits for planning, building, engineering, garage sales, and special events. The Customer Center assists customers through the permitting process from initial questions and pre-application meetings through inspections and final certificate of occupancy.



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*Building ♦ Code Compliance/Animal Control ♦ Housing ♦ Planning*

The Planning Division works with residential and commercial property/business owners and developers to ensure development in the City is constructed consistent with the City's goals and policies.

### Planning Activity

Staff held two Community Outreach Workshops for the La Quinta Village on May 21 at 4:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the workshops was to engage the public with regard to development possibilities and pedestrian atmosphere within the Village. The workshop was attended by over 50 people, ranging from Village property owners, business owners, and La Quinta residents.

<b>Administrative Permits</b>	<b>Entitlement Permits</b>
Includes sign applications, temporary use permits, minor use permits, final landscaping plans.. Etc.	Includes site development permits, conditional use permits, subdivision maps, etc.

Submitted Applications			Submitted Applications		
Year	2015	2014	Year	2015	2014
<b>May</b>	24	14	<b>May</b>	0	2
<b>Year To Date</b>	47	68	<b>Year To Date</b>	23	13

The Building Division administers all building permit applications and plans for compliance with requirements established in the entitlement process, La Quinta Municipal Code, and all currently applicable California Building Standards Codes.

Building Permits Submitted			Building Permits Issued			Building Inspections		
Year	2015	2014	Year	2015	2014	Year	2015	2014
<b>May</b>	195	195	<b>May</b>	192	158	<b>May</b>	819	465
<b>Year To Date</b>	946	722	<b>Year To Date</b>	862	684	<b>Year To Date</b>	3,959*	2,113

\*Inspection totals from 2015 reflect total amount of individual inspections performed versus 2014 totals, which indicate the amount of inspection sites visited.

PLANNING


BUILDING

**Animal Control**

The Animal Control Division provides field services responding to reports of stray, lost/found, and injured animals in distress and transports them for medical treatment and shelter when needed, seven days a week.

Open Cases		
Year	2015	2014
May	94	87
Year To Date	545	483

Closed Cases		
Year	2015	2014
May	96	77
Year To Date	485	466

ANIMAL CONTROL ACTIVITY	
◆ 32 Animal Impounds	
◆ 218 Active Cases	



**Code Compliance**

The Code Compliance Division addresses numerous issues including abandoned vehicles, property maintenance, health & safety, building code compliance, zoning, substandard housing, and other topics that can have an adverse impact on residential and commercial neighborhoods in the City.

Open Cases		
Year	2015	2014
May	58	191
Year To Date	654	979



Closed Cases		
Year	2015	2014
May	49	166
Year To Date	573	892

CODE COMPLIANCE ACTIVITY	
◆ 19 Completed Code Inspections (Includes Home Occupation and Pool Draining Inspections)	
◆ 410 Active Cases	

