

Memorandum

City of Lawrence

Planning & Development Services

TO: David L. Corliss, City Manager

FROM: Barry Walthall, Building Codes Administrator

CC: Scott McCullough, Planning & Development Services Director

Date: May 3, 2012

RE: April 2012 Monthly Permit Report

The Building Safety Division issued 236 building permits in April, with total construction for the month valued at \$19,790,910. Total permit fees assessed for the month were \$119,012. Monthly and year to date comparisons to previous years will be tracked throughout 2012 in the following table:

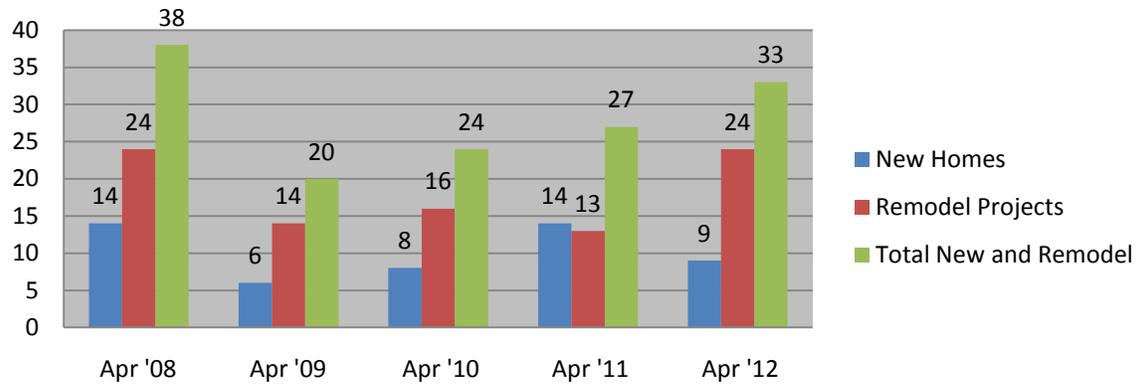
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Total Valuation, Apr	\$19,790,910	\$5,536,213	\$12,605,541	\$6,482,254	\$19,402,345
Total Valuation, YTD	\$33,607,547	\$19,479,026	\$28,772,687	\$28,256,184	\$37,809,296
Permit Fees, Apr	\$119,012	\$53,111	\$41,877	\$47,977	\$77,670
Permit Fees, YTD	\$240,230	\$171,261	\$168,464	\$194,758	\$205,366

Staff issued 31 permits for new residential construction in April, including 9 single-family dwellings and 22 multi-family dwellings. This compares to 14 permits issued for new residential construction in April last year, all for single-family dwellings. Monthly and year-to-date statistics for total permits issued and new residential projects will be tracked in the following table, similar to permit valuation and fees:

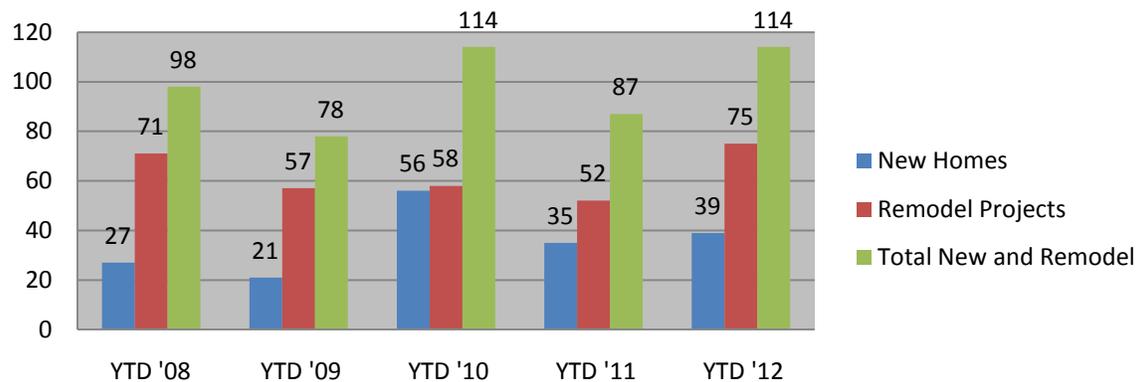
	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Total Permits, Apr	236	196	155	169	189
Total Permits, YTD	769	652	607	565	626
One- and Two-Family Permits, Apr (# of units)	9(9)	14(14)	8(8)	6(6)	14(14)
One- and Two-Family Permits, YTD (# of units)	39(40)	35(37)	56(59)	19(23)	27(27)
Multi-Family Permits, Apr (# of units)	22(306)	0(0)	0(0)	2(16)	1(4)
Multi-Family Permits, YTD (# of units)	22(306)	10(63)	0(0)	15(172)	2(7)

Renovation of existing homes is a segment of the construction industry for which tracking of statistics may also be of interest. BSD issued 24 permits for residential remodeling and addition of one- and two-family dwellings projects in April. The following charts compare the numbers of permits issued for both new homes and remodeling projects in April and Year-to-Date for the previous five years:

**New Home Construction vs. Remodel Construction
One- & Two-Family Dwellings
April 2008 - 2012**



**New Home Construction vs. Remodel Construction
One- & Two-Family Dwellings
YTD 2008 - 2012**



The highest valued projects for the month were for the Westfield Place apartments, 204 Eisenhower Drive, valued at \$8,325,652; the Varsity House apartments, 1043 Indiana Street, valued at \$3,986,500; a renovation of the north wing second floor at Lawrence Memorial Hospital, 325 Maine Street, valued at \$1,500,000; and a building addition for Raintree Montessori School, 4601 Clinton Parkway, valued at \$1,400,000.

Four permits were issued for public projects, including the north wing addition at LMH; a tenant remodel at the Medical Office Building at LMH, 325 Maine Street, valued at \$350,000; a tenant remodel at LMH South, 3500 Clinton Place, valued at \$190,000; and the replacement of a canopy structure at the city fueling facility at 1140 Haskell Avenue, valued at \$35,435.

The permit reports for April are attached.

Top Projects for 2012:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Construction Valuation</u>	<u>Project Description</u>
1	\$8,325,652	Westfield Place Apartments, 204 Eisenhower Dr
2	\$3,986,500	Varsity House Apartments, 1043 Indiana St
3	\$1,900,000	Del Monte Addition, 727 N Iowa St
4	\$1,500,000	LMH North Wing Remodel, 325 Maine St
5	\$1,400,000	Raintree Montessori School Addition, 4601 Clinton Pkwy
6	\$1,200,000	New Briggs Nissan, 2300 W 29 th Terr
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