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Waukee Issued Record-Breaking 900 Building Permits in 2015

Waukee, Iowa—The City of Waukee has been recognized in recent years as Iowa's fastest-growing city. Year-end building permit and platting numbers show there's no sign of slowing. In 2015, the City of Waukee's Development Services Department issued a total of 900 building permits – a near 35% increase from the previous high in 2014.

"We were very busy processing permits and platting ground last year in Waukee," said Development Services Director Brad Deets. "We hit a record-breaking 674 building permits in 2014, but that pales in comparison to this year's 900 permit mark. I predict 2016 will bring much of the same, which will contribute to our continuing growth in the community."

Of the 900 building permits issued by the City, 372 were for single-family housing, 89 were for townhomes and four were for multi-family developments which account for 128 multi-family units. The total valuation of the 2015 building permits added up to \$154.4 million. The single-family and townhome permits account for the majority of that valuation at \$130.6 million.

"New total property valuation of \$154 million in one year for a city of roughly 20,000 people is very unique," said Waukee Mayor Bill Peard. "It's an exciting time to be a part of the Waukee evolution, while still basking in the small-town community feel we all know and love."

Platting in Waukee was also completed for a total of 310 single family lots and 122 townhomes in 2015. City officials anticipate the recent opening of Grand Prairie Parkway and the growing interest in the new Kettlestone Development will keep permit numbers high in 2016.

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*The City of Waukee is recognized as the fastest-growing city within the state of Iowa and is located in Dallas County—one of the fastest growing counties within the United States. The official Census estimate based on July 2013 data is 17,077. Waukee offers a family-friendly environment featuring quality parks, schools and trails. The City is also dedicated to economic development and expanding business opportunities, including the creation of its future mixed-use development, Kettlestone.
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