

## Community Development Committee

Meeting date: May 4, 2015

**Subject:** Development Patterns

**District(s), Member(s):** ALL

**Policy/Legal Reference:** Minnesota Statute 473.24

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**Division/Department:** Community Development / Regional Planning

### Proposed Action

None.

### Background

Under *Minnesota Statute 473.24*, the Metropolitan Council is responsible for preparing local population and household estimates for the cities and townships in the Twin Cities seven-county area. These estimates are the official population and household estimates for State government purposes and are used to determine local government aid (LGA), local street aid allocations, and some regional parks funding. As an input into the population estimates, the Council annually collects data from local governments on residential building permits. At the same time, the Council also collects data on permits for commercial, industrial, public and institutional uses.

The Council has now concluded data collection on its annual building permits survey; the May 4 presentation will provide highlights from 2014's data.