

Community Development Committee

Meeting date: June 5, 2017

Subject: Development Patterns in 2016

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, information and discussion only.

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) and local street aid allocations. As an input into the population estimates, the Council annually collects data from local governments on residential building permits.

The Council has now concluded data collection on its annual building permits survey; the June 5 presentation will provide highlights from 2016's data on both residential and non-residential (that is, commercial, industrial, public and institutional construction) permits.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This presentation provides an opportunity to assess how private and public development is changing the region and therefore grows the context for progress on the Thrive outcomes. Data on development patterns provide a real-time grounding for *Thrive MSP 2040's* long-term forecasts and therefore inform how future infrastructure investments can most effectively align with existing needs, thereby advancing the Stewardship outcome. The data also allow us to monitor how the region is sharing Prosperity and Livability across the different parts of the region.