

# 2007 Building Permits & Inspections Department Year End Report

## 2007 Building Permits and Inspections Department Activities

This portion of this report summarizes the activities of the Conway, Arkansas Building Permits and Inspections Department in 2007. The report is given in a synopsis form with the following presented in various categories of activities.

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### PERMITS

#### NUMBER OF SINGLE FAMILY HOME PERMITS

The volume of building in Conway decreased approximately 23% from 2006 (based on single family housing permits). This resulted in 314 single family housing permits being issued, compared to the 2006 record of 407 permits.

#### CONSTRUCTION RELATED PERMITS

A total of 3555 construction related permits were issued in 2007. The breakdown into types of construction permits follows:

705	-Building Permits (down 94 from 2006)
859	-Electrical Permits (down 95 from 2006)
588	- Plumbing Permits (down 52 from 2006)
617	-Mechanical Permits (down 106 from 2006)
39	-Parking Lot Permits (down 7 from 2006)
401	-Gas Permits (down 63 from 2006)
346	-Sign Permits (up 126 from 2006)
3555	Total (down 291 from 2006)

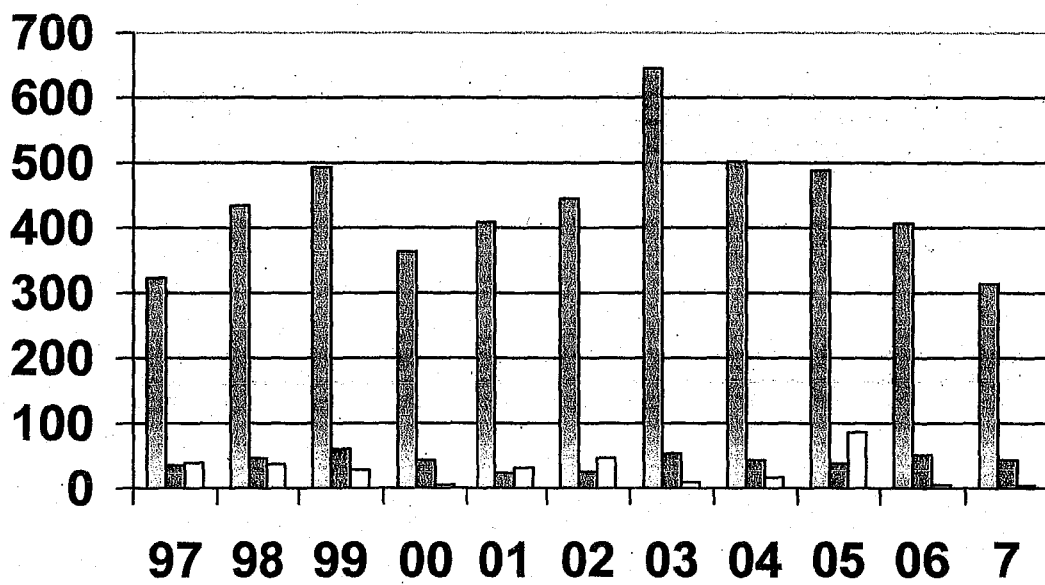
## Building Permits

Permits	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Single Family	445	645	502	488	407	314
Duplex	6	10	7	12	27	45
Commercial	25	53	43	38	51	43
Institutional	6	1	5	5	2	5
Acc/Residence			92	96	65	90
Add/Residence	67	69	56	62	45	46
Add/Commercial	12	15	14	16	9	15
Rem/Residence	28	37	44	47	55	47
Rem/Commercial	70	82	93	85	67	63
Rem/Institutional	10	3	9	9	4	12
Multifamily	46	9	16	86	5	4
Acc/Multifamily			1	8	7	
Temporary Building	7	22	6	6	9	8
Add/Accessory		2		1	3	
Acc/Commercial			5	3	5	4
Add/Duplex				1	1	
Add/Institutional	4	4	3	4	3	1
Add/Industrial		4	3	1	8	1
Rem/Industrial			3	1	4	2
Industrial				1	4	
Rem/Duplex	1	1	5	1	5	1
Accessory---*	128	113				
Acc/Inst.						3
Rem/Acc						2
Total Permits Issued	855	1070	937	971	799	706

\* Accessory permits were counted together in 2002 and 2003

The 706 building permits issued in 2007 were valued at \$119,924,087 as estimates given by the builders. This is a decrease of 12% from 2006.

# Total Building Permits Issued 10-year comparison 1997-2007



■ Residential

■ Commercial

□ Multi-Family

Construction costs are estimated by  
builders  
on all permits issued

<u>Year</u>	<u>Construction cost</u>
1995	\$84,121,068
1996	\$102,277,794
1997	\$73,098,027
1998	\$114,357,804
1999	\$150,900,896
2000	\$87,100,535
2001	\$97,722,108
2002	\$104,260,756
2003	\$136,327,284
2004	\$141,306,685
2005	\$198,545,106
2006	\$158,592,893
2007	\$119,924,087

# IMPACT FEES

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Commercial	\$84,193	\$256,517	\$491,109	\$558,520
Res. (Streets)	\$320,262	\$627,873	\$967,773	\$742,503
Res. (Parks)	\$211,727	\$407,944	\$601,796	\$461,677
Total	\$616,182	\$1,292,334	\$2,060,678	\$1,762,700

There was a 14% decrease in volume of impact fees collected since 2006.

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
No. of Com/permits with I/F	18	33	57	35
No. of Res. Permits (streets & parks)	291	436	421	345
Total	309	469	478	380

There was a 18 % decrease in number of residential permits issued with Impact Fees that went to improvements on streets and parks

Commercial impact fees decreased by 39%.

# CODE ENFORCEMENT

## NOTIFICATION OF VIOLATIONS ISSUED

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Abandoned or inoperable vehicle openly stored on lot	362	190	384	318
Trash receptacles left out after pickup date	1,464	626	394	385
Rubbish, trash and brush accumulated on lot	750	529	996	993
Grass grown more than 10 inches on lot	455	749	1163	1573
Open storage of refrigerators, furniture, etc.	485	306	1697	687
Illegal Dumping	119	5	12	6
Dilapidated houses or structures	35	33	54	45
Stagnate pools of water accumulated on lot/ Tire Ord.	41	45	143	155
Violation of trailer ordinance	78	28	91	56
Shrubbery and plants blocking intersection	8	3	7	14
Miscellaneous complaints	<u>420</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>695</u>	<u>726</u>
Total	4,217	2,646	5,636	4,958