



BUILDING INSPECTION 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

2019 Building Inspection Annual Report

The Building Inspection Department issued 1080 building permits in 2019, which is the second highest number of permits issued in the City. The value of the new construction totaled over \$433,408,021, which is by far the largest total ever for the City. The department is responsible for calculating and collecting the zoning fee, fire impact fee, and the water impact fee. The total amount collected for all fees in 2019 was over 2 million dollars; the final total was \$2,447,082.

The number of new single-family dwelling permits was 89 and there were 6 duplex permits issued. This was down from 2018 but was still strong. Building has begun in the Terravessa sub-division. This sub-division is close to the school so it should see building progress for years to come. The single-family market should see an increase in 2020 due to three main factors. Veridian will be starting a new sub-division, the final phase of Stoner Prairie, and another addition to Fahey Fields. We estimate this should bring 100+ new residential buildings to the City.

2019 was a record year in the commercial building sector. Promega added two large facilities, Sub-Zero is building a large R&D center and Phoenix is building it's corporate headquarters here. The projects generated well over \$300,000,000 in new construction. The City also issued 10 new multi-family permits for a total of 362 units, which was the 2nd largest number of new units ever issued by the City. There are several new apartment complexes in the planning stage so 2020 should remain strong.

2019 was also a very busy year for businesses to expand, remodel, or move to the City of Fitchburg. This shows the strength of the business sector the city has and 2020 should be as strong with the improving economy.

The City of Fitchburg remains one of the best spots to live and work in Dane County. We are seeing continual interest in the Uptown area and now the North East Neighborhood. The addition of 4 new single-family plats has added new homes to the City but there is still a high demand for lots as the economy improves. The City should look to plan out 10 years to keep the building sector strong and avoid the fluctuating levels that we encountered the last five plus years.

The Madison Metropolitan area is one of the top ten areas people are moving to in the country. The City of Fitchburg needs to stay active working with developers to provide a variety of housing types for the people moving into the area.

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BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT
2019 PERMIT ACTIVITY REPORT**

YEAR	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
2005	154	26	15	102	294	6	8	14	308	704	\$130,022,748	\$424,022	
2006	93	9	7	82	34	9	1	11	193	1426	\$78,145,796	\$491,123	
2007	101	12	9	58	39	4	3	10	148	905	\$47,171,928	\$450,827	
2008	30	4	7	58	372	12	0	11	96	645	\$39,397,229	\$311,137	
2009	27	0	3	59	388	17	1	4	86	515	\$23,823,289	\$200,778	
2010	25	2	3	12	480	16	2	6	41	634	\$31,554,378	\$251,986	
2011	32	1	1	32	449	10	3	4	66	642	\$24,509,347	\$259,021	
2012	46	1	2	84	416	15	2	6	132	628	\$127,699,029	\$299,401	\$834,767
2013	39	3	7	207	454	9	2	10	252	653	\$72,542,212	\$307,571	\$971,971
2014	21	1	5	255	472	16	0	5	278	644	\$69,159,076	\$398,596	\$942,439
2015	32	5	9	421	472	13	2	3	463	682	\$87,049,190	\$369,581	\$1,508,112
2016	36	10	5	249	606	6	0	7	161	870	\$78,914,963	\$410,882	\$1,056,238
2017	49	8	2	202	746	8	0	1	267	965	\$63,461,764	\$478,626	\$956,561
2018	105	10	12	358	704	8	1	9	483	1050	\$118,064,136	\$591,331	\$1,464,548
2019	89	6	10	362	793	16	4	102	457	1080	\$433,408,021	\$1,119,095	\$2,447,082

A SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS

B TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS

C MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS

D TOTAL MULTI-FAMILY UNITS

E ADDITIONS/ALTERATIONS (RESIDENTIAL)

F GARAGE/STORAGE (RESIDENTIAL)

G SWIMMING POOLS (IN GROUND)

H COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS/ALTERATIONS

I TOTAL LIVING UNITS

J TOTAL PERMITS

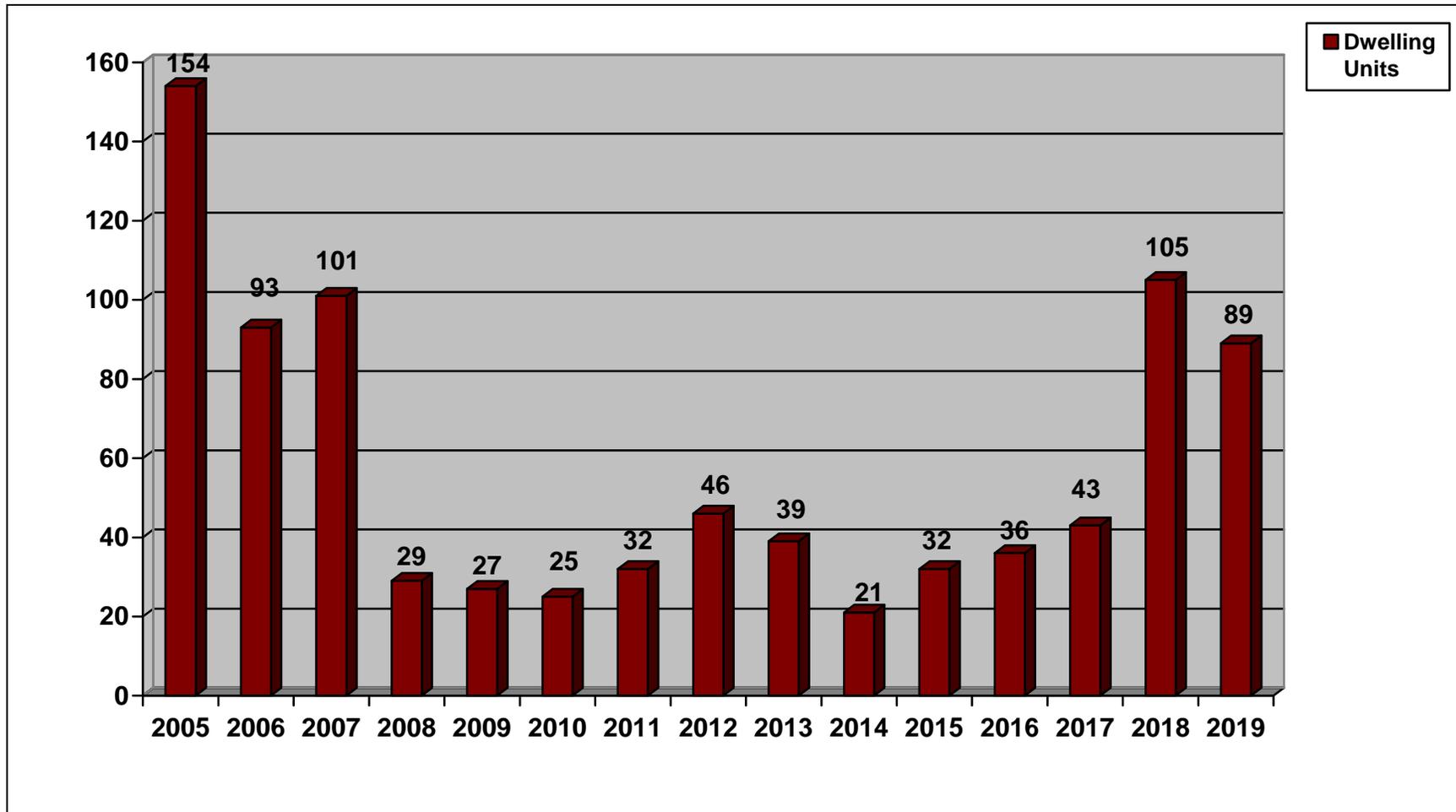
K TOTAL CONSTRUCTION VALUE

L TOTAL BUILDING PERMIT FEES

M TOTAL FEES COLLECTED

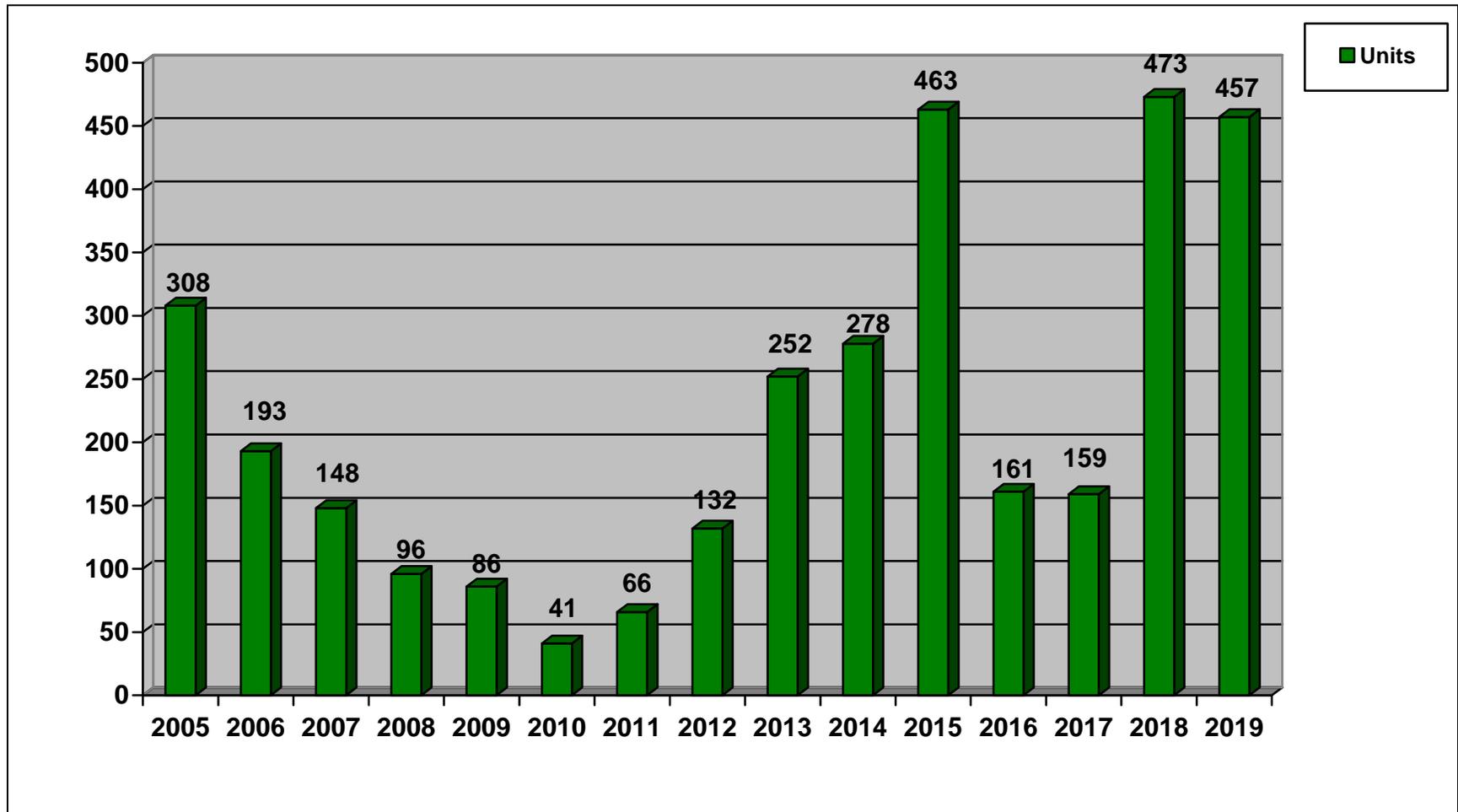
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Single Family Dwelling Unit Permits



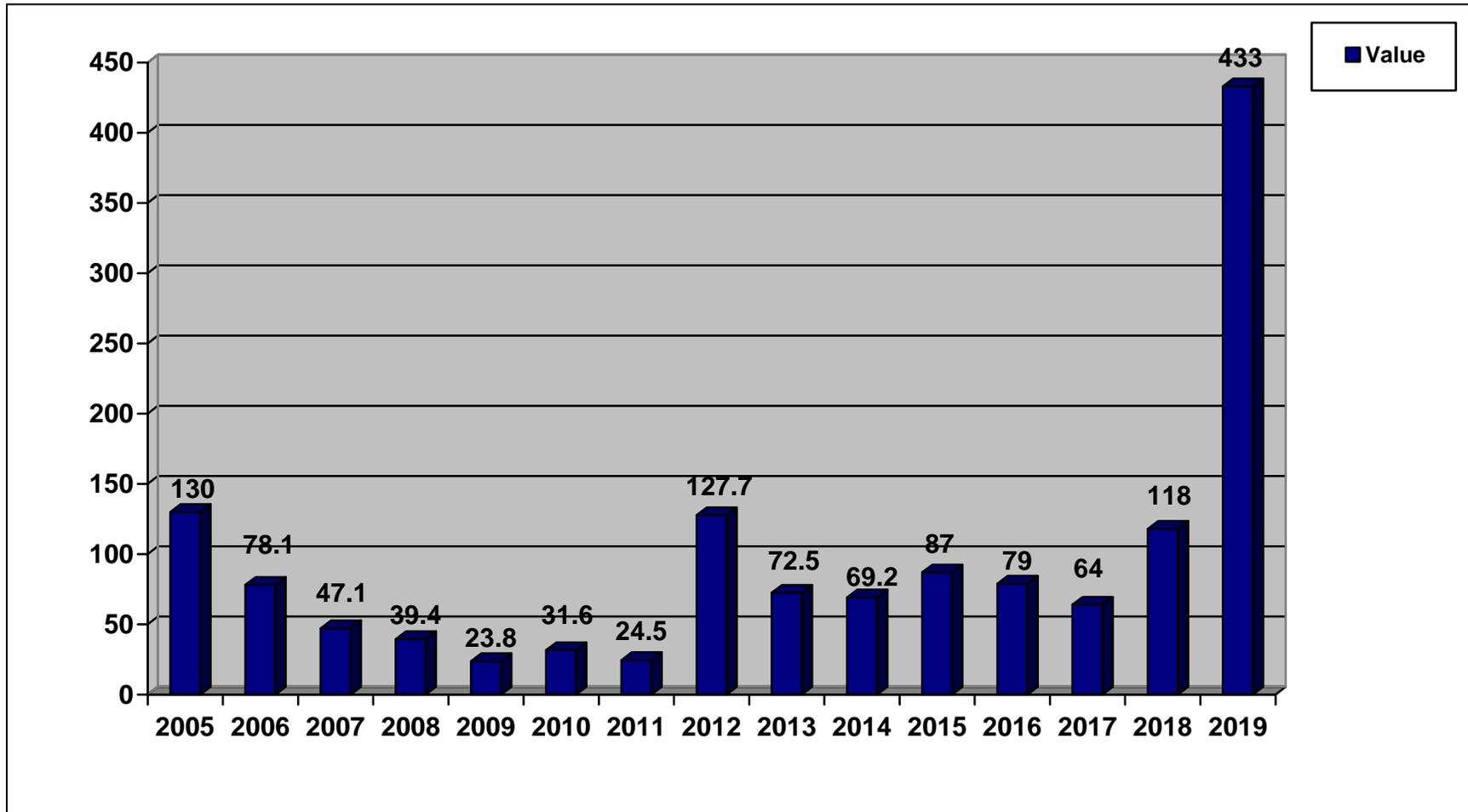
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LIVING UNITS



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New Construction Value in Millions



The Building Inspection Department's goal is to ensure that all rentals comply with life and safety issues and that all residents have a healthy neighborhood in which to reside.

Due to State regulations implemented in 2018, there has been a reduction on pro-active inspections in the City and we depend more on citizens and tenant complaints to inform of us of problems with- in the city.

We also respond to complaints and concerns on property maintenance issues on single family homes, including but not limited to lawn complaints, junk and debris, unlicensed or inoperable vehicles and other ordinance violations.

2019 was a busy year in the City of Fitchburg and we saw significant improvements in some previous distressed properties. We also spent a significant amount of time on a particular property in 2019 due to a lack of maintenance and this is an ongoing issue that we are addressing going into 2020.

There were 904 inspections ranging from apartments inspections, snow and lawn care, property complaints and erosion control inspections.

The City is continuing to grow and with the development of new housing and aging housing, we strive to keep owners and management companies engaged and informed. This ensures that we will continue to have a safe and healthy community for all residents.

The City of Fitchburg Building Inspection prides itself in prompt and courteous service, and we look forward to serving you in 2020.

2019 Report	Apartment Insp.	Lawn Comp.	Snow Comp.	Property Comp.	Rental Comp.	Erosion Control
January	9	0	7	4	2	0
February	24	0	12	3	5	0
March	9	0	10	21	8	0
April	13	0	0	13	36	18
May	10	5	0	13	23	42
June	18	8	0	26	28	64
July	15	4	0	31	13	47
August	8	7	0	24	15	58
September	17	0	0	17	17	55
October	13	0	0	12	10	32
November	12	0	2	14	5	15
December	3	0	0	11	6	10
Total	151	24	31	189	168	341

