

**PORTLAND DESIGN COMMISSION
2018 ANNUAL REPORT TO CITY COUNCIL
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PURPOSE OF DESIGN REVIEW

33.420.010 PURPOSE (PROPOSED REVISION)

The Design overlay zone strengthens Portland as a city designed for people and supports the city's evolution within current and emerging centers of civic life. It promotes **design excellence** in the built environment through the application of additional design guidelines and standards that:

- Build on **context** by enhancing the distinctive physical, natural, historic and cultural qualities of the location while accommodating growth and change;
- Contribute to a **public realm** that encourages social interaction and fosters inclusivity in people's daily experience; and
- Promotes **quality** and **long-term resilience** in the face of changing demographics, climate and economy.

emphasis added

DESIGN OVERLAY ZONING AMENDMENTS (DOZA) ADMINISTRATIVE IMPROVEMENTS MADE BY THE BUREAU OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (BDS)

1. Design review process and design process alignment
 - Design Advice Request (DAR) flexible submittals to align with applicant process
 - Land Use Review (LUR) flexible submittals to align with applicant process
2. Public outreach tools
 - Consultation with BDS Equity Committee
 - Design Commission Twitter account (@PortlandDCChair)
 - Frequent updates to "Guide to Design Review Process"
3. Efficient hearings
 - Chair and Vice Chair manage meetings in an effective, polite, and time sensitive manner
 - Regularly scheduled Design leadership meetings between Chair, Vice Chair and senior staff
 - Created large-format visuals to explain hearing procedures
 - Senior planner/supervisor at staff table during all hearings
 - Improved technology in the hearings room

- Green/yellow/red timer for all testifiers, including staff and applicant
 - Restructured applicant/staff presentation order
 - Created design guideline matrix for DARs and LURs
 - Created instructional deliberation cards
4. Clear agendas
 - Start times added to the agenda for each hearing item
 - Reprioritized agenda order
 5. Renters included in mailed notifications
 6. Neighborhood Association trainings and meetings
 - Greater staff/Commission collaboration with Neighborhood Associations & other community organizations
 7. Re-branded DARs
 - Improvements to DAR process and submittal requirements
 8. Professional development (staff)
 - Quarterly professional development tours
 - Staff equity training
 - Team-building efforts
 - Annual City Attorney Office trainings
 - BPS/BDS Special Project coordination
 - BPS/BDS Area Character & District Liaison coordination
 9. On-boarding, trainings and retreats (Commission)
 - New Commissioner training materials and briefing
 - Meeting facilitation training and binders
 - Quarterly retreats
 - Annual City Attorney refreshers
 - Annual Equity 101 and quarterly Equity Conversations
 - "Top Ten" half-yearly training
 10. Design Commission Bylaws

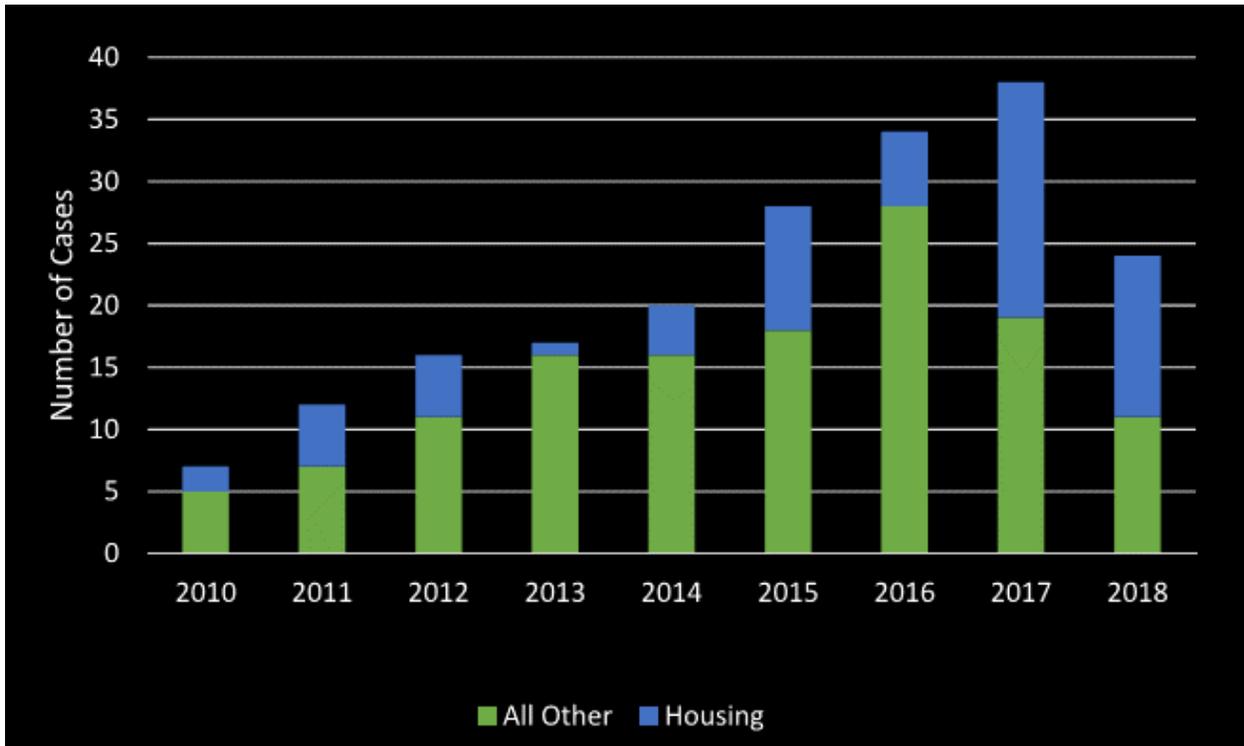
CASELOAD DATA | WORKLOAD

	2018	2017
Briefings, retreats, work sessions	24	25
Design advice requests	18	23
Type III approvals	24	37
Type III denials	0	1
Type III appeals to Council	0	3
Type II approvals	124	142
Type II appeals to Commission	3	4
Thursdays	34	42
Total items	193	277

CASELOAD DATA | BUILDINGS APPROVED BY COMMISSION

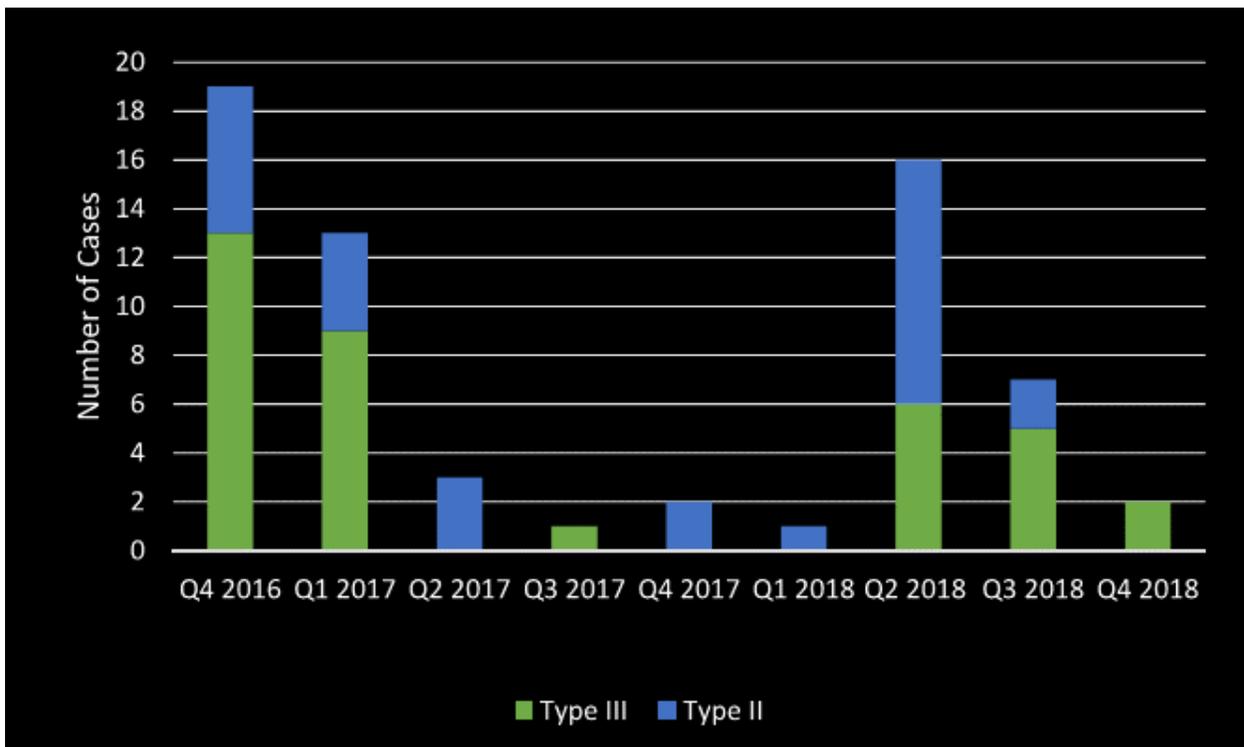
	2018	2017
Downtown	7	9
Goose Hollow	2	7
River District	3	4
Lloyd	5	2
Central Eastside	2	6
South Waterfront	2	5
Southwest	1	1
Northwest	4	6
Northeast	0	1
Gateway	1	1
Total buildings	27	42

HOUSING SNAPSHOT | TYPE III CASES, ANNUAL



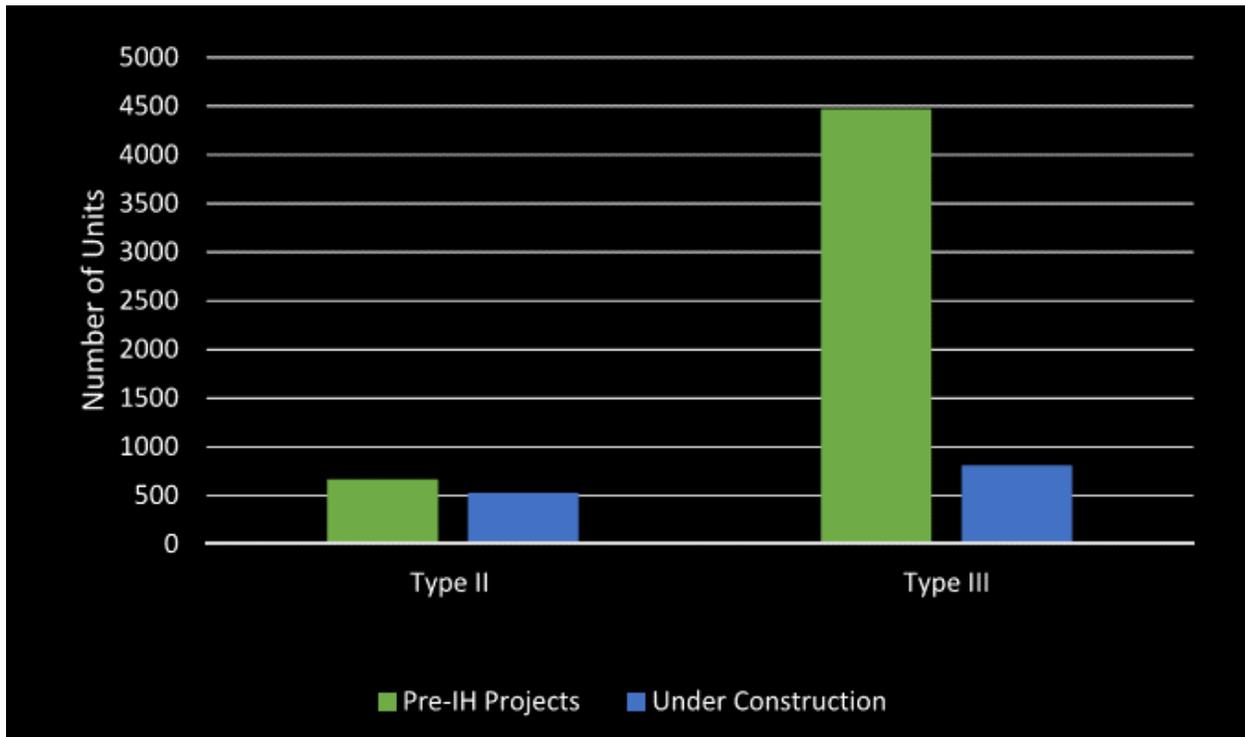
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HOUSING SNAPSHOT | ALL CASES, QUARTERLY

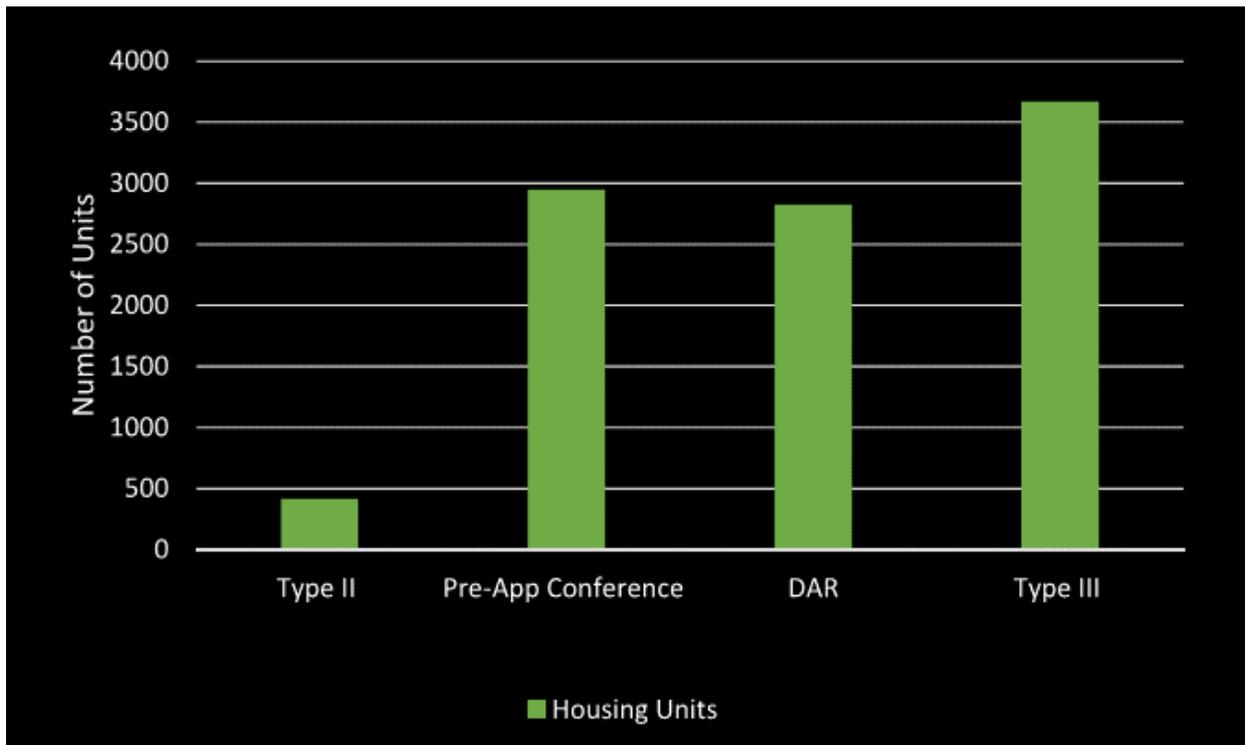


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HOUSING SNAPSHOT | PRE-INCLUSIONARY HOUSING VESTED UNITS



HOUSING SNAPSHOT | POST-INCLUSIONARY HOUSING PIPELINE UNITS



2018 OVERVIEW OF PROJECTS



DOWNTOWN

Moxy Hotel, DLR Group



DOWNTOWN

Fourth & Montgomery, SRG Partnership



DOWNTOWN

Block 216, GBD Architects



CENTRAL EASTSIDE

Grand Ave Building, Ankrom Moisan Architects



GOOSE HOLLOW

Salmon St Building, Sera Architects



GOOSE HOLLOW

Art Tower, Ankrom Moisan Architects



SOUTH WATERFRONT

Block 40, Hensley Lamkin Rachel Architects



RIVER DISTRICT

815 W Burnside, Ankrom Moisan Architects



PLANNED DEVELOPMENT, KERNS

Pepsi Blocks, Mithūn

2018 DESIGN EXCELLENCE AWARD

To be presented at City Council on May 1, 2019