NEWPORT BEACH’S SMART INVESTMENTS

CREATING A BICYCLE SAFETY TASK FORCE
Established in 2010, the Bicycle Safety Task Force is tasked with updating web-based resources on facilities, points of interest, mileage and routes; promoting bike safety; reviewing and making recommendations on the City’s Bicycle Master Plan, among other tasks.

ADOPTING WATER CONSERVATION AND EFFICIENCY POLICIES
The City has adopted a water conservation ordinance with the goals of reducing water consumption, enabling effective water supply planning, preventing the waste of water, maximizing the efficient use of water, and minimizing the effect and hardship of water shortages. Also adopted were design standards for creating water efficient landscaping.

INCORPORATING GREEN BUILDING REQUIREMENTS
The City has incorporated additional “green” requirements pertaining to the CalGreen code during the adoption of the 2010 Building Code. These requirements provide important and relevant information to residents and developers about the various green building certification programs, resources, and websites.

CREATING CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEES
The City has created numerous committees that allow Newport Beach residents to participate in the City’s activities as it relates to:
- Harbor Commission — provides advice on use and operation of the water and reviews harbor permits
- Aviation — provides oversight on John Wayne Airport activities and provides reports to the residents
- Environmental Quality Affairs — reviews environmental impact reports, provides comments, and ensures public awareness
- Youth Council — provides a direct connection between the City and youth, and features organized events

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