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Jaime Murillo, Associate Planner
City of Newport Beach
3300 Newport Boulevard
Newport Beach, CA 92658-8915

Subject: Newport Beach City Hall and Park Development Plan Notice of Preparation

Dear Mr. Murillo:

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) has reviewed the above referenced document. The following comments are provided for your consideration:

- Please note that the OCTA is considering a new bus stop at Avocado and Farallon Drive at the north end of the proposed City Hall portion of the project. The southbound stop would require an accessibility improvement, in the form of a boarding area installed in the parkway farside of the intersection.
- On Page 45, **a)-b) and d)-g) Potentially Significant Impact**, please note that there are six, rather than four, primary areas of focus for the EIR traffic impact analysis. Furthermore, please indicate that impacts to bicycle safety will also be considered and analyzed in the EIR.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Hal McCutchan by phone at (714) 560-5759 or by email at hmccutchan@octa.net.

Sincerely,

Charles Larwood
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