Policy Memorandum – ADMIN 10

To: Building Division Staff
From: Samir Ghosn,
Deputy Community Development Director/Chief Building Official
Effective Date: March 10, 2020 (Original Effective Date: November 7, 2005)
Regarding: Construction Activity Noise Regulations

Section 10.28.040 of the Newport Beach Municipal Code (NBMC) prohibits Construction Noise Activity through Noise Regulations:

No construction work shall be performed as follows:

• Before 7:00 a.m. and after 6:30 p.m. on weekdays; and
• On Saturday, in any area of the City that is not designated as a High Density Area, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.; and
• Before 8:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sundays;
• On Federal Holidays; and
• Saturday in High Density Areas when the construction involves the use of power tools or generates noise as specified in the NBMC.

After hours work may be permitted by the Chief Building Official when it involves the replacement of equipment utilizing cranes or when it involves reducing the public hazard during normal construction hours. The Chief Building Official can set specific conditions to limit the work that generate noise to residents or those who are working. The Chief Building Official can revoke the after-hours permit if complaints are filed with the police department. or code enforcement.

Code enforcement officers or the police department can issue stop work for construction activity on Federal Holidays pursuant to the NBMC regulations.