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To: Thomas B. Modica, City Manager 

From: Christopher Koontz, Director of Development Services 

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: **Development Services Department 2022 Annual Reports**

The Development Services Department (Department) is pleased to present its [2022 in Review](#). This annual digital report showcases significant developments throughout the city, highlights the Department's efforts on citywide initiatives, and features the accomplishments of Department Staff and our various partnering commissions. The report also commemorates the Department's work on many of the high-quality, innovative and sustainable projects that provide a diversity of opportunities for the community at large.

The Department provides an invaluable service to the city, offering leadership and insight on all matters affecting development in Long Beach and safeguarding the quality of life and interests of residents and visitors. Each year, City staff and the Department's commissions, boards, and councils work with the Mayor and City Council, various City Departments, applicants, design professionals, neighborhood groups and business owners on a wide variety of projects and activities. These efforts help to create more safe and attractive neighborhoods and contribute to the livability and economic viability of the City.

In addition to the 2022 in Review, the Department has prepared a [2022 Downtown Plan Update](#), a digital report featuring several of the most significant projects completed or currently under construction in the Downtown area. Since its adoption in 2012, the Downtown Plan has successfully encouraged bold, high-quality design and development, further enhancing the public realm and providing guidance to shape the future of Downtown in a way that is forward-looking and sustainable.

In addition to the two digital reports, the Department's Communication Division has developed a new [annual report webpage](#) and a printed booklet featuring highlights from the two reports. To request copies of the booklet or for further information, please contact Richard de la Torre, Community Information Officer, at (562) 570-7174 or Richard.DeLaTorre@longbeach.gov.

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