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### Our 200th “Planning Digest”

Growing demand for green buildings and reduced property values caused by long commutes were the two topics addressed in [issue #1](#) in May 2008. Our [archive page](#) has a complete set of previous Digests.

### Should your HOA require sustainable practices?

[Some do](#), and that’s raising new questions about covenants and what they require.

### “Life is easy and comfortable here”

That comment comes from one of the estimated thirty million Chinese [who live in caves](#).

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