



# City of Santa Barbara California

## NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT 2013 SAFETY ELEMENT UPDATE GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT & LOCAL COASTAL PROGRAM HAZARDS SECTION UPDATE

THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2013  
12:00 P.M.\* (SEE NOTE BELOW)  
630 GARDEN STREET  
DAVID GEBHARD PUBLIC MEETING ROOM

**Draft Safety Element Update:** The 2013 Safety Element provides a comprehensive update to the Seismic Safety/Safety Element of the General Plan and the Hazards Section of the Local Coastal Program (LCP). The element includes updated information and maps describing natural and human-caused hazards in the City including geologic, seismic, fire, flooding and hazardous materials hazards as well as public services as they relate to safety. The element describes current and future City actions being taken to reduce hazard-related risk and to respond to emergency situations through updated goals, policies and implementation actions

**Public Review Period:** The City of Santa Barbara invites public comment on the Draft Safety Element and LCP Hazards Amendment. The public comment period is from May 6 – June 6, 2013.

- Electronic Mail to: [ELimon@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:ELimon@SantaBarbaraCA.gov)
- Letters to: Elizabeth Limón  
City of Santa Barbara Planning Division  
Mail: P.O. Box 1990, Santa Barbara, CA 93102  
*Drop-off delivery*

**Document Availability:** On Friday, May 3, 2013, the Draft Safety Element, Technical Background Report and the LCP Hazards Section Amendment documents are available on the City web site at: [http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Resident/Major\\_Planning\\_Efforts/Safety\\_Element\\_Update/](http://www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Resident/Major_Planning_Efforts/Safety_Element_Update/).

The draft documents may be reviewed and a limited number of copies or CDs obtained at the Planning Division office at 630 Garden Street, from 8:30 – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and alternate Fridays. The draft documents are also available for review at the Central Branch Public Library (40 E. Anapamu St.), Eastside Branch Library (1102 Montecito St.), and Montecito Branch Library (1469 East Valley Rd.).

**Planning Commission Public Hearing:** As part of the public review period on the draft documents, the City Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to receive public comments:

**Date:** Thursday, May 23, 2013  
**Time:** Meeting begins at 12:00 p.m.  
**Location:** David Gebhard Public Meeting Room, 630 Garden Street

**Public Involvement:** You are invited to attend this hearing. Written comments are welcome and will be entered into the public record. Written information should be submitted prior to the meeting at the Planning Division Office, 630 Garden St; by mail attention Planning Commission Secretary, P.O. Box 1990, Santa Barbara, CA 93102-1990; or by email at [PCSecretary@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:PCSecretary@SantaBarbaraCA.gov), and received no later than 4:30 P.M. on the Monday before the Planning Commission hearing. Please submit 12 copies of any written materials over 2 pages. Written comments are accepted at and up to the time of the hearing; however, the Planning Commission may not have time to consider materials submitted after the Monday deadline.

**Environmental Review:** The Safety Element Update and LCP Hazards Amendment are within the scope of the 2011 General Plan. The Program Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the General Plan adequately describes the activity for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The addendum is included in the Safety Element Technical Background Report. The addendum finds that the 2013 Safety Element and LCP Hazards Section would result in no changes to the impacts of the General Plan Update as identified in the Program EIR

If you challenge the Safety Element / LCP Amendment approval or environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice or in hearing comments or written correspondence delivered to the City Planning Division during the public review.

**Subsequent Hearings:** Planning Commission recommendations will be presented to Council for adoption. If you have any questions or wish to be placed on an email list for future agendas for this item, please contact Elizabeth Limón, at (805) 564-5470, extension 4569, or by email at [ELimon@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:ELimon@SantaBarbaraCA.gov).

**Americans with Disabilities Act:** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to gain access to, comment at, or participate in this meeting, please contact the Planning Division Office at (805) 564-5470, extension 4535. If possible, notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements in most cases.

\* **NOTE:** On Thursday, May 16, 2013, an Agenda with all items to be heard on Thursday, May 23, 2013, will be available at 630 Garden Street. AGENDAS, MINUTES and REPORTS: Copies of all documents relating to agenda items are available for review at 630 Garden St. and posted online at [www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov/pc](http://www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov/pc). Please note that online Staff Reports may not include some exhibits. **Agenda items are subject to change.** It is recommended that applicants and interested parties plan to arrive for the meeting at 12:00 p.m. However, for longer agendas, all parties are encouraged to monitor Channel 18 and when the item prior to the application of interest begins come to the Commission hearing. Continuances will not be granted unless there are exceptional circumstances.

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