The Architectural Board of Review (ABR) will hold a public hearing to review architectural design-related issues or development plan approval findings regarding the subject property below:

Address: 321 E MICHELTORENA STREET
Application Number: MST2016-00383
Assessor’s Parcel Number: 027-251-014
Zone: R-3
Owner: HATHAWAY FAMILY TRUST
Project Description: Proposal for a new multi-family development using the Average Unit Density Incentive Program (AUD). The proposal will include the demolition of 1,408 square feet of impermeable paving and 158 lineal feet of fencing and the construction of a three-story duplex with an attached, 743 square foot, three-car garage at the rear of the site. An existing 1,428 square foot, one-story, three bedroom dwelling unit at the front of the site will remain unaltered. The unit mix will include three, 3-bedroom units totaling 3,269 square feet with an average unit size of 1,089 square feet. The proposed density on this 6,664 square foot parcel will be 20 dwelling units per acre on a parcel with a General Plan land use designation of Medium-High Density Residential, 15-27 dwelling units per acre. The proposal also includes removal of one 47’ tall palm tree and one 12’ tall Pittosporum tree. Grading will be balanced on site.

You are invited to attend the hearing and address your comments to the ABR. The ABR is a body appointed by the City Council to focus on neighborhood compatibility, aesthetics, and design issues. Private views and privacy issues are only partially within the ABR’s authority. Due to time constraints, individual comments are typically limited to two minutes. Written comments are also welcome; mail to ABR Secretary, P.O. Box 1990, Santa Barbara, CA 93102-1990 or e-mail to ABRSecretary@SantaBarbaraCA.gov. Please note that written comments received after 10 a.m. on the day of the meeting may not be forwarded in time for consideration by the ABR.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This hearing is for design review only. If the project requires approval by the Planning Commission or the Staff Hearing Officer, you will receive a notice for that public hearing. The scope of this project may be modified under further review. If you have any questions or wish to review the plans, contact Susan Gantz, ABR Planning Technician, at (805) 564-5470, extension 3311 or e-mail SGantz@SantaBarbaraCA.gov. To be informed of future hearings, you may:

1. Submit a request in writing to become an “Interested Party” for notification by mail or e-mail when the project is scheduled on an agenda. Agendas are posted and mailed/e-mailed to interested parties 72 hours before the meeting.
2. Join the City’s SantaBarbaraCA.gov/MySB to subscribe to e-mail notification whenever ABR agendas are posted. This is a general subscription to all ABR agendas.

You may also contact City Planning staff at (805) 564-5578 for questions on case status or visit the Planning & Zoning counter at 630 Garden Street to review the most current plans proposed and other project documents. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and every other Friday (see SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Calendar for closure dates).

Meeting agendas, minutes, and videos are posted online at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/ABR. This meeting will be broadcast live on City TV-Channel 18 and online at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CityTV.

Decisions of the ABR may be appealed to the City Council. For further information on appeals, contact Planning Division staff or the City Clerk’s Office. Appeals must be in writing and must be filed with the City Clerk at City Hall within 10 calendar days of the meeting at which the Board took action or rendered its decision.
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you need auxiliary aids or services or staff assistance to attend or participate in this meeting, contact the ABR Secretary at (805) 564-5470, extension 7543. If possible, notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will usually enable the City to make reasonable arrangements. Specialized services, such as sign language interpretation or documents in Braille, may require additional lead time to arrange.

*NOTE:* On Thursday, September 8, 2016, an Agenda with all items to be heard on Monday, September 12, 2016 will be available at 630 Garden Street and online at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/ABR. Approximate review times are set for each item; however, the schedule is subject to change. It is recommended that you contact the ABR Planning Technician to confirm the scheduled review time for a particular item.