Consent items are reviewed in a sequential manner as listed on the agenda. Applicants are advised to approximate when their item is to be heard and should arrive 15 minutes prior to the item being announced. If applicants are not in attendance when the item is announced, the item will be moved to the end of the agenda.

The applicant’s presence is suggested in order to respond to questions and discuss potential conditions of approval, thereby avoiding project continuances. If an applicant cancels or postpones an item without advance notice, the item will be postponed indefinitely and will not be placed on the following Architectural Board of Review (ABR) agenda.

Actions on the Consent agenda are reported to the Full Board at the next regular meeting. The Full Board has the discretion to ratify or not ratify the Consent actions. The Consent agenda reviewing member of the ABR may refer items to the Full Board for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The public is invited to comment on any item on the agenda. Speaker slips are available by the door and should be handed to staff before the agenda item begins. 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 email to ABRSecretary@SantaBarbaraCA.gov. Please note that the ABR may not have time to consider written comments received after 10 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

AGENDAS, MINUTES, REPORTS, & PUBLIC RECORD WRITINGS: Documents relating to agenda items are available for review in the Community Development Department at 630 Garden Street, and agendas, minutes, and reports are also posted online at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/ABR. Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the ABR after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the Community Development Department at 630 Garden Street during normal business hours. Letters received and reports that are a public record and relate to an agenda item are also available for public inspection at the meeting.

PLANS & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: If you have any questions or wish to review the plans, contact Matthew Cameron, ABR Planning Technician, at (805) 564-5470, ext. 4587 or email MCameron@SantaBarbaraCA.gov.

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).

NOTE: Agenda schedule is subject to change as cancellations occur.
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, ext. 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.

APPEALS: 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, 735 Anacapa Street within 10 calendar days of the meeting at which the Board took action or rendered its decision.

NOTICE: On Thursday, April 20, 2017, this Agenda was posted on the outdoor bulletin board at the Community Development Department, 630 Garden Street and online at SantaBarbaraCA.gov/ABR.

PLEASE BE ADVISED

CEQA Guidelines §15183 Exemptions (Projects Consistent with General Plan). Under this California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines section, projects with new development (new nonresidential square footage or new residential units) qualify for an exemption from further environmental review documents if (1) they are consistent with the General Plan development density evaluated in the 2011 General Plan Program Environmental Impact Report, and (2) any potentially significant project-specific impacts are addressed through existing development standards. Section 15183 exemptions are determined by staff based on a preliminary environmental review process. A decision-maker CEQA finding is required for a Section 15183 exemption. City Council General Plan environmental findings remain applicable for the project.

REFERRED BY FULL BOARD

A. 116 E COTA ST  C-M Zone
   Assessor's Parcel Number: 031-201-003
   Application Number: MST2015-00627
   Owner: Cota Street, LLC
   Architect: DesignARC

(This is a revised project description for a project using the Average Unit Density Incentive Program (AUD): Proposal for a new four-story mixed-use building on a 10,865 square foot vacant parcel adjacent to Plaza Vera Cruz. The project includes 15 two-bedroom, two-bathroom residential units and approximately 738 square feet of commercial space. Sixteen covered parking spaces will be provided on the ground level. Residential units will be on the second, third, and fourth floors. The proposed building height is 45 feet, with a 457 square foot rooftop deck. The proposed residential density is 61 dwelling units per acre, with an average unit size of 827 square feet. A maximum density of 63 dwelling units per acre is allowed on this parcel with a General Plan Land Use designation of Medium-High Density within the Priority Housing Overlay area.)

(Final Approval is requested. Project requires conditions for the Average Unit-Size Density Incentive Program Annual Residents Survey and Priority Housing Overlay Covenant requirements.)