NOTICES:

A. TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2010
SITE VISITS
Depart 630 Garden Street
Community Development Parking Lot
East Cabrillo Boulevard at the Union Pacific Railroad Bridge
Salinas Street at Highway 101 on & off ramps

The Planning Commission will visit the project sites scheduled for review at the Thursday Planning Commission meeting. No public testimony will be taken, but the public is invited to attend. Please call the Case Planner for additional information. *Denotes story poles will be up during the site visit.

B. This regular meeting of the Planning Commission can be viewed live on City TV-18, or on your computer via www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/Government/Video/ and then clicking City TV-18 Live Broadcast. Meeting rebroadcast schedule can be found at http://www.citytv18.com/schedule.htm An archived video copy of this meeting will be viewable, on computers with high speed internet access, the following Tuesday at www.santabarbaraca.gov and then clicking Online Meetings.

C. 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. If possible, notification at least 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements in most cases.
D. This agenda schedule is subject to change. It is recommended that applicants and interested persons plan to arrive at 1:00 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.

E. The scope of a project may be modified as it proceeds through the planning process. If you have any questions, wish to review the plans, or wish to be placed on a mailing list for future agendas for an item, please contact the Case Planner as listed in the project description. Our office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and every other Friday. Please check our website under City Calendar to verify closure dates.

F. AGENDAS, MINUTES and REPORTS: Copies of all documents relating to agenda items are available for review at 630 Garden St. and agendas and reports are posted online at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/pc. Please note that online Staff Reports may not include some exhibits. Materials related to an item on this agenda submitted to the Planning Commission after distribution of the agenda packet are available for public inspection in the Community Development Department located at 630 Garden St., during normal business hours.

I. ROLL CALL

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

A. Action on the review of the following Minutes and related Resolutions:

1. Draft Minutes of September 2, 2010
2. Resolution 011-10
   1220 Shoreline Drive
3. Resolution 012-10
   15 E. Cabrillo Boulevard
4. Draft Minutes of September 9, 2010
5. Draft Minutes of September 29 and 30, 2010 Special Meeting
6. Resolution 013-10
   Certification of the Plan Santa Barbara Final Environmental Impact Report
7. Resolution 014-10
   Recommendation to City Council for approval of the Plan Santa Barbara General Plan Update

B. Requests for continuances, withdrawals, postponements, or addition of ex-agenda items.

C. Announcements and appeals.

D. Comments from members of the public pertaining to items not on this agenda. [Due to time constraints, each person is limited to two (2) minutes.]
III. ENVIRONMENTAL HEARING:


The proposed project is an amendment to the Valle Verde Retirement Community (VVRC) Conditional Use Permit. VVRC is made up of five separate parcels totaling approximately 59.75 acres. The proposed project involves the following components: 1) Construction of 40 two-bedroom independent living units. 2) New access road onto Torino Road for eight of the proposed units. 3) Upgrade the facility’s Central Core (Common Area) and commercial facilities by renovating approximately 10,461 net square feet and expanding the buildings by a total of 14,902 net square feet. 4) Construct three new gazebos in various locations throughout the development. 5) Demolish six common parking areas, and relocate the parking spaces to other parking lots on the site. 6) Provide 83 new parking spaces, including two new staff parking lots. 7) Create a 9.8 acre Oak Woodland preserve. 8) Demolish an existing 2,280 s.f. hospice building, 1,300 square foot single family residential unit, four multi-family residential buildings, maintenance buildings and four gazebos. Additionally 15 oak trees are proposed to be removed and six oak trees may be impacted. Grading for the project would involve 11,520 cubic yards of cut, 13,300 cubic yards of fill and 1,780 cubic yards of import.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEARING: The purpose of the environmental hearing is to receive comments from the Planning Commission, interested agencies and the public on the adequacy and completeness of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Valle Verde project, located at 900 Calle de los Amigos, consistent with the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. Written comments on the Draft EIR will be accepted through October 18, 2010. The Draft EIR for this project is currently available for review and comment and is available for review at the City Planning Division located at 630 Garden Street, or online at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/eir. The Draft EIR examines the impacts that may be associated with the project in the areas of aesthetics, biology, and transportation/circulation. The comment period on the document ends on October 18, 2010.

No formal action on the development proposal or environmental document will take place at this hearing.

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IV. DISCUSSION ITEM:

US 101 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE
City, California Department of Transportation, and the Santa Barbara Association of Governments (SBCAG) Staff will provide an update on the status of the project, as required by the Coastal Development Permit issued by the Planning Commission on December 13, 2004.

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V. CONTINUED ITEM:


This is a continuation of the Planning Commission review of this item. The project has been revised since the Planning Commission September 2, 2010 review to provide a 40 foot creek buffer on Parcels, 1, 2, and 4; a reconfigured development envelope on Parcel 4; and a larger public view easement to the main residence. Proposal to subdivide a 66,372 square foot property into four lots ranging in size between 14,166 square feet and 16,453 square feet. The project includes demolition of the garage, studio apartment, a portion of the existing residence, shed, lath house, and driveway; and development envelopes for each new lot. The project also includes construction of a new driveway, drainage improvements, implementation of a creek restoration plan, and approximately 150 cubic yards of total grading. In addition, the project includes a view easement and preservation of the façade of the existing 3,137 square foot main residence.

The discretionary applications required for this project are:

1. Three Street Frontage Modifications to allow Parcels 1, 2, and 3 to be created with less than the required 60 feet of public street frontage (SBMC §28.15.080 and §28.92.110);
2. Three Street Frontage Waivers to allow Parcels 1, 2, and 3 to be created with no public street frontage (SBMC §22.60.300); and
3. Tentative Subdivision Map to allow the division of two parcels into four lots (SBMC Chapter 27.07).

The Environmental Analyst has determined that the project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15315 (Minor Land Divisions).

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA:

A. Committee and Liaison Reports
   1. Staff Hearing Officer Liaison Report
   2. Other Committee and Liaison Reports

VII. ADJOURNMENT:
CITY OF SANTA BARBARA PLANNING COMMISSION
MEETING PROCEDURES

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURE: You are welcome to attend this hearing. The public is invited to speak on any item on the Planning Commission Agenda. After receiving recognition from the Chairman, please approach the podium and speak into the microphone. State your name and purpose for appearing. Your name and comments will be entered into the public record.

The order of presentation after the Chairman introduces the item is as follows:

1. Presentation by Staff (15 minutes)*.
2. Presentation by Applicant (15 minutes)*.
3. Public Hearing*.
4. Additional response by Applicant/Staff (5 minutes each)*.
5. Questions and comments by the commission.
7. Motion, discussion of motion, decision, and vote by the Commission.

*Time may be extended or limited by the Chair of the Planning Commission.

Items that generate a large amount of citizen interest may be taken out of their scheduled order on the agenda as a courtesy to the public in attendance. Where there are a large number of people wishing to speak on an item, the Chairman may limit time allotted to each speaker.

WRITTEN COMMENT PROCEDURE: 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, 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.

It is not possible to determine the precise time an item will be heard. The Planning Commission sessions are broadcast live on the Government Access Television Channel 18. Monitoring will assist in determining when the item will come up. Any continued items are announced at the beginning of the meeting and repeated throughout the meeting by the Chairman.

APPEALS AND SUSPENSIONS: Many of the items before the Commission may be appealed to the City Council. For further information on appeals, contact the Planning Division Staff or the City Clerk's Office.

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