



# City of Santa Barbara California

## NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON A PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO ESTABLISH A NEW MINOR ZONING EXCEPTION PROCESS

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2015  
1:00 P.M.\* (SEE NOTE BELOW)  
CITY HALL – 735 ANACAPA STREET  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

### **ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO ALLOW MINOR ZONING EXCEPTIONS IN THE INSTANCE OF DISCREPANCIES OR ERRORS IN ZONING INFORMATION REPORTS**

The purpose of this public hearing is for the Planning Commission to review and make recommendations to the City Council regarding amendments to the Santa Barbara Municipal Code (SBMC) to allow the Community Development Director the authority to grant Minor Zoning Exceptions in the case of a discrepancy or error in Zoning Information Reports (ZIRs). This new Minor Zoning Exception process was one of the recommendations of the ZIR Working Group for ZIR process improvements. The City Council initiated the proposed amendment to the SBMC on February 10, 2015.

The Environmental Analyst has determined that the project is exempt from further environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Sections 15301, Existing Facilities, 15303, New Construction or Conversion of Small Structures, and 15305, Minor Alteration in Land Use Limitations.

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.

This is the only notification you will receive for this draft Ordinance. The scope of this draft Ordinance may be modified under further review. If you have any questions or wish to be placed on a mailing list for future agendas for this item, please contact Susan Reardon, Senior Planner, at (805) 564-5470, extension 4555, or by email at [SReardon@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:SReardon@SantaBarbaraCA.gov). 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.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT:** If you need auxiliary aids or services or staff assistance to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact the City Administrator's Office at (805) 564-5305. 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, October 29, 2015, an Agenda with all items to be heard on Thursday, November 5, 2015, will be available at 630 Garden Street and 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 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. Continuances will not be granted unless there are exceptional circumstances.

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