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**PLANNING COMMISSION
FINISHED AGENDA**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
CITY HALL – 735 ANACAPA STREET
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2015
1:00 P.M.**

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I. ROLL CALL

**** Roll Call taken. All were present.****

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

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

**** No Requests were made. ****

- B. Announcements and appeals.

**** Announcements were made. ****

- C. 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.]

**** No one wished to speak. ****

III. RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL:

ACTUAL TIME: 1:01 P.M.

CONSIDERATION OF POTENTIAL DROUGHT-RELATED DEVELOPMENT RESTRICTIONS

The City's Water Shortage Contingency Plan states that the City Council should consider regulations of water use and suspension of permit approvals during Stage Two and Stage Three Drought Conditions. The City is currently in a Stage Two Drought Condition, with some water use regulations in effect that restrict how water can be used during the drought.

A Staff team has been considering possible development restrictions in order to appropriately manage a critical water shortage while balancing possible effects on the local economy. These restrictions, as well as additional water use regulations, could be implemented by City Council as part of a phased approach. The first phase could include a voluntary landscape deferral program, so that anyone interested in deferring landscape installation could do so, but it would not be mandatory. The next phase could include mandatory landscape deferral, suspension of building permits for new pools, and suspension of building permits for projects that result in net new water use (generally, an increase in number of units or commercial floor area). These actions could be implemented as part of a Stage Three Drought declaration, or could be further phased, depending on the drought condition at that time.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow the Planning Commission and the public an opportunity to review the proposed development restrictions and provide Staff and the City Council with feedback. A staff report outlining the proposed restrictions will be available for review beginning February 5, 2015 at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PC. **No formal action will be taken at this hearing.**

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**** Discussion held. ****

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA:

ACTUAL TIME: 4:01 P.M.

A. Committee and Liaison Reports.

1. Staff Hearing Officer Liaison Report

**** Report given. ****

2. Other Committee and Liaison Reports

**** Reports given. ****

V. ADJOURNMENT

**** Meeting adjourned at 4:09 P.M. ****