PUBLIC NOTICE OF A COMMUNITY/PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSHOP
FOR THE NEW ZONING ORDINANCE (NZO)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2016,
10:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M. – OPEN HOUSE
1:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. - WORKSHOP * (SEE NOTE BELOW)
DAVID GEBHARD PUBLIC MEETING ROOM
630 GARDEN STREET

Community/Planning Commission Workshop. The purpose of the workshop is to present and receive Planning Commission and public input on the Module 3: Administration, Parking, and Temporary Uses of the NZO Effort (see below). Prior to the 1:00 p.m. Planning Commission meeting, an informal “open house” will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. where the community can view material and ask questions of planners and consultant.

This is the fourth Community Workshop to allow residents and decision-makers to review and comment on the City’s zoning regulations at key stages during the New Zoning Ordinance (NZO) planning process. The workshop will be conducted with the Planning Commission review.

Module 3: Administration, Parking, and Temporary Uses. The City has released the fourth major document in the process to update the City’s Zoning Ordinance. NZO Module 3: Administration, Parking, and Temporary Uses addresses administrative procedures, criteria and required findings of the discretionary review authorities, updates to definitions, and a new section on rules of measurement. Module 3 also includes parking regulations, which were originally programmed for Module 2: Development Standards. The document is available on the project website, www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/NZO.

NZO Effort. The NZO is an effort to update the City’s Zoning Ordinance (Title 28 of the City’s Municipal Code) that establishes the zone classifications, permitted uses in the various zones, development standards and regulations, and the development review process. The zoning regulations affect land use, design, parcel size, building heights, density, setbacks, parking, landscaping, fencing and other aspects of property development and use.

The City encourages the public to share their ideas about zoning regulations as the City strives to craft a New Zoning Ordinance that: is easier to use; is modern and reflective of the City’s current uses, practices, and development patterns; is clear in decision-making protocols with some streamlined review processes, where appropriate; addresses certain nonconforming situations and brings them into compliance to the extent feasible; and that promotes adaptive reuse of properties.

To Stay Informed About the NZO Process. The public is also encouraged to provide general comments during the NZO effort on the website created for this effort. The SB Public Outreach Program, Scope and Schedule, and other relevant information can be viewed at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/NZO under “Stay Informed” and click on “Reference Documents.” If you would like to be added to the email list for receipt of future notices on any upcoming public meetings for the NZO, please go to the website above, and follow the instructions to sign up for notifications. Public comments can also be provided on the website.

The project contact in the City Planning Division is Marck Aguilar at MAguilar@SantaBarbaraCA.gov.
Public Involvement. You are invited to attend. 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 workshop. Please submit 12 copies of any written materials over 2 pages. Written comments are accepted at and up to the time of the workshop; however, the Planning Commission may not have time to consider materials submitted after the Monday deadline.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you need auxiliary aids or services or staff assistance to attend or participate in this meeting, please contact the Planning Commission Secretary at (805) 564-5470, extension 4535, or by email at PCSecretary@SantaBarbaraCA.gov. 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 6, 2016, The Module 3 Administration, Parking, and Temporary Uses Staff Report and an Agenda for this special meeting on Friday, October 14, 2016, will be available at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/NZO, www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PC, and at 630 Garden Street. Please note that online Staff Reports may not include some exhibits. The Agenda item is subject to change.

* Meetings can be viewed live on City TV-18, or on your computer at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/CityTV. A rebroadcast schedule can be found at www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov/CityTVProgramGuide.