NOTICES:

A. TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2016
SITE VISIT
630 GARDEN STREET
Community Development Parking Lot

433 E. Cabrillo Boulevard and 103 S. Calle Cesar Chavez
Contact: Allison DeBusk
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The Planning Commission visited the project site scheduled for review at the Thursday Planning Commission meeting. No public testimony was taken, and the public was invited to attend. Call 564-5470 for additional information.

** Site visit held. **

B. THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 2015
LUNCH
DE LA GUERRA PLAZA
City Hall, Room 15, Upstairs

The Planning Commission met informally with City Staff to discuss the following:

1. Review and appointment of the 2016 Primary and Alternate Planning Commission Liaisons to City Boards and Commissions.

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** Liaison Appointments made. **
2. An update on the status of long-range projects, new legislation, zoning enforcement items, status reports on previously-approved projects, and future agenda items.

**Update given.**

C. Regular meetings of the Planning Commission 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/ProgramGuide. An archived video copy of this meeting will be viewable, on computers with high speed internet access, the next business day at www.SantaBarbaraCA.gov/PCVideos.

D. The scope of a project may be modified under further review. 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.

E. 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

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

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

A. Nominations and election of Chair and Vice-Chair.

**Nomination of John Campanella as Planning Commission Chair and June Pujo as Planning Commission Vice-Chair.**

Schwartz/Higgins Vote: 7/0
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0 **

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

**No requests were made.**

C. Announcements and appeals.

**Announcements were made.**
D. Review, consideration and action on the following draft Planning Commission Minutes and Resolutions:

1. December 3, 2015
2. PC Resolution No. 019-15
   Recommendation to City Council – Cannabis Cultivation Amendment

** Approved Minutes and PC Resolution No. 019-15 as corrected pending staff review on accuracy of motion language.

   Thompson/Jordon Vote: 7/0
   Abstain: 0
   Absent: 0**

B. 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. NEW ITEM:

** ACTUAL TIME: 1:06 P.M. **


On August 15, 1995, City Council adopted Ordinance 4920, which included a Development Agreement (DA) and associated conditions of approval for development of the Chase Palm Park expansion, the Waterfront Hotel (433 East Cabrillo Boulevard), and a youth hostel. The DA allowed the Chase Palm Park expansion project to commence immediately and provided the property owner, American Tradition, 12 years to construct the hotel and hostel. In 2007, the City issued building permits for both the 150-room Waterfront Hotel and associated parking lot, and the youth hostel. While the hostel (12 E. Montecito St.) has since been completed, the hotel project has stalled. In order to maintain the existing development rights for the approved hotel and establish the potential and associated process for a revised project, a new DA is being considered. As such, the proposed DA includes the following major components:
• Establishment of a new ten-year term for the DA.

• Acknowledgment of the approved status of the 150-room hotel project, including parking lot, which could continue to be constructed without further discretionary review.

• A provision that all current Building and Public Works permits for the hotel project would expire upon the effective date of the DA, and new ministerial permits (consistent with current codes) for the approved project must be issued within five years of the effective date of the DA.

• A provision that if the approved 150-room hotel project is abandoned and a revised hotel project is pursued at any time during the term of the DA, the project would be subject to policies, ordinances, resolutions, codes, rules, regulations and official policies governing development of the site(s) in effect as of the effective date of the DA.

• If a revised hotel project is approved during the term of the DA and it results in less than the currently approved 150 hotel rooms, the Applicant has the ability to propose the transfer of excess rooms or square footage to the Fess Parker DoubleTree Hotel site (633 E. Cabrillo Blvd.) or another parcel, consistent with applicable City ordinance provisions and processes for doing so.

Note: A Development Agreement and Ordinance Amendment require City Council approval at a subsequent public hearing to be scheduled. The purpose of this January 7th hearing is for the Planning Commission to consider the proposed request and environmental document prepared for the project and provide a recommendation to City Council on the following:

1. A Development Agreement to allow an additional ten (10) years to construct the approved 150-room hotel and parking lot or a revised project within this time period (Council Resolution 89-120); and

2. A Zoning Ordinance Amendment (SBMC Chapter 28.95 - Transfer of Existing Development Rights) to defer to the Waterfront Hotel Development Agreement for provisions allowing the applicant to propose the transfer of excess (approved but undeveloped) hotel rooms from the Waterfront Hotel site.

An Addendum to the 1993 Final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared in accordance with California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15164 to address minor changes to the project and EIR analysis. The Planning Commission will consider the Addendum together with the previously certified Final EIR, and consider a recommendation to City Council regarding the adequacy of the environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15090.

** Continued to a future date for staff and the applicant to consider Planning Commission’s comments on the Development Agreement. 
Pujo/Schwartz Vote: 4/3 (Higgins, Jordan, Lodge)
Abstain: 0
Absent: 0
Directed staff to retain the Transfer of Existing Development Rights component of the Development Agreement and the Zoning Ordinance Amendment related to Transfer of Existing Development Rights, as drafted, when the Development Agreement returns to the Planning Commission for a decision.

Higgins/Jordan Vote: 4/3 (Lodge, Schwartz, Thompson)

Abstain: 0
Absent: 0 **

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA:

ACTUAL TIME: 7:13 P.M.

A. Committee and Liaison Reports.

1. Staff Hearing Officer Liaison Report

** Report given. **

2. Other Committee and Liaison Reports

** Reports given. **

B. Approval of 2016 Primary and Alternate Liaisons to City Boards and Commissions made in B.1. of this Agenda

** Airport Commission**
Addison Thompson – Primary
Jay Higgins – Alternate

** Architectural Board of Review**
John Campanella – Primary
Sheila Lodge – Alternate

** Citywide Way-find Signage Program Committee**
Jay Higgins - Primary
Michael Jordan – Alternate

** Creeks Restoration & Water Quality Improvement Program Citizen Advisory Committee**
Sheila Lodge – Primary
Mike Jordan – Alternate

** Downtown Parking Committee**
Jay Higgins – Primary
June Pujo – Alternate

** Harbor Commission**
June Pujo - Primary
Sheila Lodge – Alternate
Highway 101 Improvements Design Subcommittee
Deborah L. Schwartz - Primary
Addison Thompson - Primary
June Pujo – Alternate

Historic Landmarks Commission
Sheila Lodge – Primary
Addison Thompson – Alternate

Housing Subcommittee
John Campanella
Michael Jordan
Deborah Schwartz

Local Coastal Plan (LCP) Subcommittee
June Pujo – Primary
Deborah L. Schwartz - Primary
Addison Thompson – Primary
Sheila Lodge – Alternate

Multi-Unit/Mixed-Use Design Guidelines Subcommittee
John Campanella – Primary
Deborah L. Schwartz – Primary
Sheila Lodge – Alternate

New Zoning Ordinance (NZO) Subcommittee
John Campanella – Primary
Michael Jordan – Primary
Sheila Lodge – Primary
June Pujo – Alternate

Parks and Recreation Commission
Jay Higgins – Primary
Michael Jordan – Alternate

Sign Ordinance Review Committee
Sheila Lodge-Primary
Deborah L. Schwarz - Alternate

Single Family Design Board
Addison Thompson – Primary
Michael Jordan – Alternate

Staff Hearing Officer/ Modification Liaison
Michael Jordan - Primary
Jay Higgins – Alternate

Sustainability Council Committee
June Pujo – Primary
John Campanella – Alternate
Transportation and Circulation Committee
Michael Jordan – Primary
June Pujo – Alternate

Water Commission
Michael Jordan - Primary
Deborah L. Schwartz – Alternate

MOTION: Thompson/Jordan
Approved the 2016 Planning Commission Liaisons to Boards and Commissions
This motion carried by the following vote:
Ayes: 7  Noes: 0  Abstain: 0  Absent: 0

V. ADJOURNMENT

** Meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M. **