



**City of Santa Barbara**  
City Clerk's Office

## **Memorandum**

**DATE:** February 13, 2025

**TO:** All interested persons

**FROM:** City Clerk's Office

**SUBJECT:** *REVISED* 2025 Scheduled Vacancies on City Advisory Groups

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*Note: This List of Scheduled Vacancies has been updated to reflect a corrected term end date under "Single Family Design Board". The number of scheduled vacancies was not affected.*

The documents attached to this memorandum as Exhibits A and B are prepared to comply with the requirements of California Government Code §54972 to ensure that citizens are aware of the opportunity to apply for future appointments to various City Advisory Groups.

Exhibit A is a list that indicates the number of vacancies, terms of office, and necessary qualifications for each vacancy scheduled to occur during 2025, as well as the names of the incumbents and their initial appointment dates.

Exhibit B is a list of all City Advisory Groups with the qualifications for each of the groups.

Applications for appointment to a City Advisory Group and additional information concerning the function of each Advisory Group, recruitment schedule, appointment process, meeting times, etc., may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, 805-564-5309; via Email at [Clerk@SantaBarbaraCA.gov](mailto:Clerk@SantaBarbaraCA.gov); or by accessing the City's website at [www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov/government/boards-commissions](http://www.SantaBarbaraCa.gov/government/boards-commissions).

Attachments: Exhibit A  
Exhibit B

**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST  
FOR ADVISORY GROUPS  
VACANCIES SCHEDULED TO OCCUR IN 2025  
(TO BE FILLED DURING THE SEMI-ANNUAL RECRUITMENT IN JUNE 2025, OR  
DURING THE ANNUAL RECRUITMENT IN DECEMBER 2025)**

**ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 2

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025

Qualifications/  
Category: Members and professionals from one of the following categories:

- Disability Community;
- Architectural, Engineering, or Building Communities; or
- Members at large from the community.

Incumbents: Skylar Covich (Public at Large – City)  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)  
Karen Lucket (Public at Large – City)  
(Appointed 12/07/20221)

**AIRPORT COMMISSION**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 2

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025

Qualifications/  
Category: Qualified electors\*\* from the city or county of Santa Barbara.

Incumbents: Dan Glasser (City)  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)  
Levi Maaia (City)  
(Appointed 12/07/20221)

**ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 5

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025; 12/31/2027

Qualifications/  
Category:

Majority of members must be qualified electors\*\* of the city; remaining members shall reside in the South Coast area of Santa Barbara County. Members should be persons with acknowledged accomplishments in the arts, and persons who demonstrate interest in and commitment to cultural and arts activities.

Incumbent:

Laurie Dorfman (City)  
(Appointed 12/06/2022)  
Carole Goodman (County)  
(Appointed 06/11/2024)  
Tayllor L. Johnson (City)  
(Appointed 06/27/2023)  
Darrell McNeill (City)  
(Appointed 06/28/2022)  
VACANT\* (County)

**BUILDING AND FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 2

Term Expiration: 6/30/2026; 6/30/2028

Qualifications/  
Category:

Resident of the City of Santa Barbara or the adjoining unincorporated area of Santa Barbara County.

Incumbents:

VACANT\* (City/County)  
VACANT\* John Maloney  
(Appointed 6/28/2016; term expired 6/30/2022; continuing to serve until a successor is appointed)

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Membership: 13

Vacancies: 7

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025; 12/31/2026; 12/31/2027; 12/31/2028

Qualifications/  
Categories:

Must be qualified electors\* of the County. Should have familiarity with the history and geography of the City, and an understanding of community development, human services, or housing needs.

One representative from each:

- African American Community;
- Downtown Area Neighborhood;
- Disability Community;
- Business Community;
- Westside/Lower Westside Neighborhood;
- Human Services Organization; and
- Latino Community.

Incumbents:

Jacob Lesner-Buxton (Disabled Community)  
(Appointed 6/27/2023; term expired 12/31/2024; continuing to serve until a successor is appointed.)

VACANT\* (African American Community)

VACANT\* (Business Community)

VACANT\* (Downtown Area Neighborhood)

VACANT\* (Westside/Lower Westside Neighborhood)

VACANT\* (Human Services Organization)

VACANT\* (Latino Community)

**COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Membership: 1

Vacancy: 1

Term Expiration: 6/30/2025

Qualifications/  
Category:

Appointee must reside within the City of Santa Barbara.

Incumbent:

Amber Caldwell\*  
(Appointed 6/11/2024)

## **DOWNTONW PARKING COMMITTEE**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 4

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025; 12/31/2028

Qualifications/  
Category: Members must be residents of the City or County of Santa Barbara.

Incumbents: William E. Pinner III (City)  
(Appointed 06/28/2011)  
Sean Pratt (City)  
(Appointed 12/17/2013)  
Ruben Zarate (County)  
(Appointed 12/08/2020; term expired 12/31/2024; continuing to serve  
until a successor is appointed.)  
VACANT\* (City/County)

## **HARBOR COMMISSION**

Membership: 7

Vacancy: 3

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025

Qualifications/  
Category: Members must be qualified electors\*\* of the City.

Incumbent: William Seth Anderson  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)  
Kate Ford  
(Appointed 06/27/2023)  
John Stedman  
(Appointed 12/12/2017)

### **Year 2025 Maddy Act Listing - Exhibit A**

\* Position may be filled during the semi-annual recruitment in June 2024.

\*\* Registered voter within the City or County of Santa Barbara, 18 years of age or older.

## **HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

Membership: 9

Vacancies: 1

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025

Qualifications/  
Categories:

Members must demonstrate an interest and knowledge of the history and architecture of the City. Member may be a qualified elector\*\* of the City, or may be a non-City resident.

Members may be a Professional Architectural Historian, Licensed Architect, Licensed Landscape Architect, or represent the Public at Large.

Incumbents: Keith Butler (Public at Large – City)  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)

## **HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 3

Term Expiration: 07/21/2025; 07/12/2025; 06/30/2026

Qualifications/  
Categories:

Members should have some interest and background in housing development, management or other comparable experience. Two members may be non-City residents and meet one of the following categories:

- Representative of the Public at Large; and
- Tenants who are receiving housing assistance from the Housing Authority.

Incumbents: Steven Faulstich (Public at Large – City)  
(Appointed 11/12/2019)  
Patricia Wheatly (Public at Large – City)  
(Appointed 6/06/2017)  
VACANT\* (Public at large – City/Non-City)

### **Year 2025 Maddy Act Listing - Exhibit A**

\* Position may be filled during the semi-annual recruitment in June 2024.

\*\* Registered voter within the City or County of Santa Barbara, 18 years of age or older.

**LIBRARY BOARD**

Membership: 5  
Vacancies: 2  
Term Expiration: 12/31/2025  
Qualifications/  
Category: Qualified electors\*\* of the City.  
Incumbent: Amber Caldwell  
(Appointed 06/27/2023)  
Dena Davis  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)

**MOSQUITO AND VECTOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD**

Membership: 1  
Vacancy: 1  
Term Expiration: 01/04/2027  
Qualifications/  
Category: Voter of the City of Santa Barbara, or a member of the Santa Barbara City Council.  
Incumbent: VACANT\* (Teri Jory)  
(Appointed 3/19/2019; term expires 01/05/2025; continuing to serve until a successor is appointed.)

**NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Membership: 13

Vacancies: 5

Term Expiration: 12/31/2027; 12/31/2028

Qualifications/  
Categories:

Residents of the City who need not be qualified electors, but reside within the City of Santa Barbara city limits:

- Residents of the following neighborhoods: Westside, Lower Westside, West Downtown, Eastside, Lower Eastside, and Laguna; and
- Representatives of the Public at Large.

Of the thirteen members, the City Council may, but is not required to, appoint up to three (3) youth that are the ages of 16 or 17. Priority may be given to youth from the six (6) specified neighborhoods.

Incumbents:

VACANT\* (Sally Foxen – Lower Westside Neighborhood)  
(Appointed 3/1/2011; term expired 12/31/2024; continuing to serve until a successor is appointed.)  
VACANT\* (Neighborhood Representatives x 2)  
VACANT\* (Public at large x 2)



**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 3

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025; 06/30/2025

Qualifications/  
Category: Qualified electors\*\* of the City. One member may be an individual that is 16 or 17 years of age.

One youth intern, *who is not a member of the Commission*, shall be a high school student volunteer who resides within the Santa Barbara High School District or attends other high schools within the City limits and is nominated by the principal of the student’s high school. The student shall be either in their junior or senior year of high school and shall be and remain a student in good standing as is determined by the high school. A student that graduates shall not serve for more than three (3) months following graduation.

Incumbents: Sebastian Aldana  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)  
Kathryn “Kathy” McGill  
(Appointed 12/12/2017)  
Rob Nielsen  
(Appointed 11/19/2024)  
VACANT\* (Youth Intern)

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

Membership: 7

Vacancies: 2

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025

Qualifications/  
Category: Qualified electors\*\* of the City.

Incumbents: John Baucke  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)  
Devon Wardlow  
(Appointed 12/07/2021)

\* Position may be filled during the semi-annual recruitment in June 2024.

\*\* Registered voter within the City or County of Santa Barbara, 18 years of age or older.

## **RENTAL HOUSING MEDIATION BOARD**

Membership: 15

Vacancies: 3

Term Expiration: 12/31/2025; 12/31/2027

Qualifications/  
Categories:

Majority of members must be City residents; a maximum of seven (7) members may be non-City residents residing in a jurisdiction which contracts with the Rental Housing Mediation Program for services. At time of appointment, an appointee must meet the definition of at least one of the three following categories:

- Homeowner Mediator: owns his or her residence and may not own any other residential property.
- Landlord Mediator: owns or manages residential properties for consideration or compensation, whether single or multiple units.
- Tenant Mediator: rents or leases his or her residence and may not own residential property.

Incumbents: E. Howard Green (Tenant Mediator – City)  
(Appointed 06/11/2024)  
Daniel R. Herlinger (Homeowner – City)  
(Appointed 6/28/2005)  
VACANT\* (Landlord – City/County)

## **SANTA BARBARA YOUTH COUNCIL**

Membership: 15

Vacancies: 9

Term Expiration: 6/30/2025; 6/30/2026

Qualifications/  
Category:

Members must be between the ages of 13-19 years old. Eight of the fifteen members must be residents of the City.

- Five members, each representing one of three SBUSD high schools –
  - Santa Barbara High School; San Marcos High School; Dos Pueblos High School;
- Two members from a local alternative, community, or continuation high school;
- One member from a local private high school or independent studies;  
or
- One member at large.

Incumbents:

Gwen Chenoweth (SBHS – City)  
(Appointed 06/29/2021)

Sophia Cruz (Local Private HS – City)  
(Appointed 06/29/2021)

Itzel Leon (Public at Large – City)  
(Appointed 06/11/2024)

Sagarika Manian (DPHS – County)  
(Appointed 06/29/2021)

Jeremy Solano Beltran (SBHS – City)  
(Appointed 06/27/2023)

Amelia Vander May (DPHS – County)  
(Appointed 06/29/2021)

Carlos Vazquez (SMHS – City)  
(Appointed 06/27/2023)

VACANT\* (Local Alternative, Community, or Continuation HS –  
City/County)

## **SINGLE FAMILY DESIGN BOARD**

Membership: 7

Vacancy: 3

Term Expiration: 06/30/2025; 12/31/2025

Qualifications/  
Category:

Appointees may not hold any full-time paid office or employment in City government. Appointees may serve on the Architectural Board of Review or Historic Landmarks Commission and the Single Family Design Board. Appointees must be residents of Santa Barbara County and meet one of the following categories:

- Licensed architect;
- City resident representing the public at large; or
- Posses professional qualifications related to architecture or landscape architecture, including but not limited to, building design, structural engineering, industrial design, urban planning, or landscape contracting.

Incumbent: Dawn Sherry (Licensed Architect)  
(Appointed 4/11/2023)  
Kathryn Gerpheide (Public at Large – City)  
(Appointed 12/06/2022)  
Jennifer Lewis (Licensed Architect – City)  
(Appointed 04/11/2023)

**EXHIBIT B  
CITY OF SANTA BARBARA  
LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST FOR ADVISORY GROUPS  
LIST OF GROUPS AND QUALIFICATIONS**

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54972, the following is a listing of all Boards, Commissions, and Committees (Advisory Groups) whose members serve at the pleasure of the City Council and the necessary qualifications for membership on each group. **It should be noted that no member of any group may hold any full-time paid office or employment in City government.**

**ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Members and professionals from the disability community; members from the architectural, engineering, or building communities; and members at large from the community.

**AIRPORT COMMISSION**

Qualifications: Members must be residents of the City or County. Majority of the members (4) must be qualified electors\* of the City.

**ARCHITECTURAL BOARD OF REVIEW**

Qualifications: Three members need not be qualified electors\* of the City at the time of their appointment so long as they are qualified electors of Santa Barbara County and remain so during their terms on the Board. At least 2 of the members shall be licensed architects; at least 3 other members shall possess professional experience in related fields, including but not limited to, landscape architecture, building design, structural engineering or industrial design.

**ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Four members must be qualified electors\* of the City. The remaining members shall reside in the South Coast area of Santa Barbara County, bounded by the Gaviota tunnel on the north and the Santa Barbara County line on the south. Members should be persons with acknowledged accomplishments in the arts and persons who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to cultural and arts activities.

## **BUILDING AND FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Qualifications: Members shall be residents of the City or the adjoining unincorporated area of Santa Barbara County and shall demonstrate knowledge and expertise in specialty areas governed by the construction and fire codes of the City.

## **CENTRAL COAST COMMISSION FOR SENIOR CITIZENS**

Qualifications: Member must be a resident of the City of Santa Barbara.

## **CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Five of the seven members must be qualified electors\* of the City; the remaining two members may be electors not living in the City. Of the seven members, one member must be a representative of the business community and one must be a representative of the hospitality community.

## **CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

Qualifications: Members must be qualified electors\* of the City. Members may not hold any full-time paid office or employment in City government and for 1 year after ceasing to be a member, shall not be eligible for any salaried office or employment with the City.

## **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Members must be qualified electors\* of the County of Santa Barbara and remain so during their term. Members should have familiarity with the history and geography of the City, and an understanding of community development, human services or housing needs. The Committee is comprised of one representative for each of the following categories: African-American Community; Latino Community; Business Community/Economic Development; Human Services organizations; Youth Oriented Service organizations; Senior Community; Homeless-related Service organizations; Disability Community; Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara; and one representative from each of the following four low- and moderate-income neighborhoods: Eastside, Westside/Lower Westside, Downtown Area, and Oak Park.

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS AND FESTIVALS COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Members represent the following specific categories: 3 representatives of the business/lodging/retail industry; 2 representatives of the cultural arts; and 2 representatives of the public at large (one of whom shall not represent any specific group).

## **CREEKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Members must be residents of the City, except that up to two of the members may be non-City residents. One member from the Hotel/Lodging Industry; one member with experience in environmental/land use issues; and five members with some experience in ocean use, business, environmental issues and/or provide community at large representation.

## **DOWNTOWN PARKING COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Five members must be residents of the City, and 2 members may be residents of the County. All members should demonstrate an interest in, and knowledge of, downtown parking issues.

## **FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION**

Qualifications: Members must be qualified electors\* of the City. Members cannot be an individual or attorney who represents a person or entity with a pending claim or lawsuit against the Fire or Police Department, or any of their officers or employees. If an individual ends up representing a person or entity against either of the Departments during their term, the individual is required to resign from the Commission. Members also cannot be any current or former law enforcement officer or firefighter, or where relevant or comparable any member of the public, who has a sustained finding of serious misconduct made by any law enforcement agency, independent investigator contracted by a public agency, or court.

## **HARBOR COMMISSION**

Qualifications: One member need not be a qualified elector\* of the City so long he or she is, at time of appointment, a qualified elector of the County and remains so during their term. The remaining members must be qualified electors of the City.

## **HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

Qualifications: All members shall have demonstrated interest in and knowledge of the history and architecture of the City. Not less than 5 members must be qualified electors\* of the City. At least 2 members must be licensed architects; at least 1 member must be a professional architectural historian; and at least 1 member must be a licensed landscape architect. The remaining members may represent the public at large.

## **HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION**

Qualifications: Two members may be non-City residents. Members should have some interest and background in housing development, management or other comparable experience. There must be 2 tenant members who are receiving housing assistance from the Housing Authority. One of the tenant members must be over 62 years of age. The remaining 5 members may represent the public at large.

## **LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE, COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA**

Qualifications: Member must reside in the City of Santa Barbara.

## **LIBRARY BOARD**

Qualifications: Members must be qualified electors\* of the City.

## **METROPOLITAN TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD DISTRICT**

Qualifications: Members must be residents within the Santa Barbara Metropolitan Transit District.

## **MOSQUITO AND VECTOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD**

Qualifications: Member must be a registered voter of the City of Santa Barbara, or a member of the Santa Barbara City Council.



## **NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Qualifications: Members must be City residents and need not be qualified electors\*. Eight (8) members shall be residents of the following six (6) neighborhoods: Westside, Lower Westside, West Downtown, Eastside, Lower Eastside, and Laguna (as those neighborhoods are described in the General Plan Land Use Element). Five (5) members shall be members at large and may reside in any area of the City. No more than three (3) members shall be residents of any one of the specified neighborhoods. Of the thirteen members, the City Council may, but is not required to, appoint up to three (3) youth of age sixteen (16) years or older. Priority in youth assignments should be given to youth from the six (6) specified neighborhoods.

## **PARK COMMISSION AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

Qualifications: Members must be qualified electors\* of the City. One member may be an individual of age 16 years or older.

For Youth Interns: one youth intern shall be a high school student volunteer who resides within the Santa Barbara High School District or attends other high schools within the City limits and is nominated by the principal of the student's high school. The student shall be either in their junior or senior year of high school and shall be and remain a student in good standing as is determined by the high school. A student that graduates shall not serve for more than three (3) months following graduation.

## **PLANNING COMMISSION**

Qualifications: Members must be qualified electors\* of the City.

## **RENTAL HOUSING MEDIATION BOARD**

Qualifications: Eight of the fifteen members must be residents of the City; up to seven members may be residents of the County residing in jurisdictions that contract with the Rental Housing Mediation Program for services. Five members must be landlords (own or manage single or multiple residential units); five members must be homeowners (own and reside in a single-family residence with no ownership of other residential properties); and five members must be tenants (rent or lease a dwelling with no ownership of residential properties).

## **SANTA BARBARA YOUTH COUNCIL**

Qualifications: Members must be between the ages of 13 – 19 years old. Eight of the 15 members must be residents of the City. The Santa Barbara Youth Council is comprised of: nine members representing Santa Barbara Unified School District high schools; two members from local alternative, community, or continuation high schools; two members from local private high school or independent studies; and two members representing the public at large. The Santa Barbara Youth Council may also appoint up to five non-voting junior high school members.

## **SIGN COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Two members who represent the public at large. For these appointments, professional experience in design-related fields (including but not limited to landscape, architecture, building design, structural engineering, or graphic design) is desired but not required. One member shall be appointed from the public at large, with experience as a business owner or real estate professional is desired but not required. Up to one of the three members need not be a qualified elector\* of the City at the time of appointment so long as the appointee is a qualified elector of the County and remains so during their term.

## **SINGLE FAMILY DESIGN BOARD**

Qualifications: Residents of Santa Barbara County. At least one licensed architect; up to three members of the public at large who are city residents; remaining members shall possess professional qualifications related to architecture or landscape architecture, including but not limited to: building design, structural engineering, industrial design, urban planning, or landscape contracting.

### **SISTER CITIES BOARD**

Qualifications: Two members must be residents of the City. One member may be a resident of the adjoining areas of Santa Barbara County.

### **TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION COMMITTEE**

Qualifications: Five members must be qualified electors\* of the City. The two remaining members may be residents of the City or County.

### **WATER COMMISSION**

Qualifications: Members must be qualified electors\* of the City.