

**From:** [Christel Barros](#)  
**To:** [Santa Barbara City Council](#)  
**Subject:** Robbery  
**Date:** Sunday, August 23, 2026 7:30:48 PM

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Unless you're eligible for Medi-Cal, you have to pay \$200 a month for basic Internet and cable  
The one they call basic isn't basic  
It's less than acceptable  
And that's not acceptable in our city  
Can't we fight this?  
At least we seniors on lower income that might not be eligible for Medi-Cal  
So very frustrating  
I've really tried options  
I've tried the streaming services. It's been about one year now maybe longer.  
Especially for seniors this is just not OK  
If I want to watch a football game  
I have to pay \$20 to this streaming service and \$20 to that streaming service and \$20 to another  
streaming service or I don't get this game or I don't get that game or I don't get the other game  
Sorry, but I am frustrated  
If you can help  
If you have any ideas  
Please let me know  
\$200 a month is just not in my budget  
We can't work anymore  
I'm too old  
I'm too ill  
I should be able to have some dignity in my elder years  
And I just want to watch a football game  
And listen to the news  
And have decent Internet  
And not spend \$200 a month for that  
That's just robbery, greed  
Unacceptable  
You probably all have grandparents somewhere  
They probably struggle with this similar issues

An average Cox cable TV and internet bundle in Santa Barbara typically costs **between \$135 and \$195 per month** for promotional rates. Pricing depends heavily on your selected internet speed and the tier of TV channels. You can check current promotions directly through [Cox Santa Barbara Services](#).

### Common Bundle Tiers & Costs

- **Basic/Starter Bundle:** ~300 Mbps internet paired with Contour TV Starter (75+ channels) starts around **\$135 per month**.
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**To:** [Santa Barbara City Council](#)  
**Date:** Thursday, August 20, 2026 2:55:59 PM

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Dear City Council Members,

Below is a link to this article from BBC News about e-bikes in the city of Como. I see parallel with Santa Barbara.

I live on E Sola St, the unfortunate block where the intersection with Santa Barbara St has been massively transformed to accommodate bicycles and a bike route. It *was* a simple intersection without any traffic lights, pedestrian walk lights, or anything except a stop sign on both sides of Sola. There was never an issue with crossing SB St because there's not much traffic.

There aren't many bicycles using Sola St, in my experience. I see that recently some teenage boys like to use this block to practice their wheelies, over and over, back and forth.

And the intersection traffic lights go 24 hours a day, consuming power unnecessarily. Vehicles on SB St have to stop and idle, wasting gas. People driving to this 200 block (or the 100 block) of Sola can no longer turn from SB street or through on Sola, but must drive 3 blocks around.

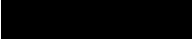
Has there been a study of the number of bicycles using this path since all the construction, and compared with before all the barriers and traffic lights were installed? If so, please let me know where I can find it.

Also, the curbed street barriers are a mess, neglected, full of weeds:



Here's the BBC news item:  
Como mayor hit by electric bike and issues blanket ban in Italian city.  
<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cn8n077vxd7o>

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**From:** [Holly Perea](#)  
**To:** [Santa Barbara City Council](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Request for City Attention and Oversight Regarding Santa Barbara Rescue Mission Shelter Conditions  
**Date:** Friday, August 21, 2026 7:47:31 AM

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**Subject:** Request for City Attention and Oversight Regarding Santa Barbara Rescue Mission Shelter Conditions

Dear Mayor Rowse

Meagan Harmon, Eric Friedman, Kristen Sneddon, Mike Jordan, Oscar Gutierrez, Wendy Samtamaria and Members of the Santa Barbara City Council and anyone who can help assist with my concerns.

I am writing as a woman currently experiencing homelessness and staying at the Santa Barbara Rescue Mission because I have nowhere else to go.

I am asking the Mayor and City Council to please take notice of concerns I and other residents have regarding conditions, treatment of residents, health and safety, and the operation of homeless shelter services.

I want to begin by acknowledging that the Rescue Mission provides an important service. I am grateful to have a bed when I have nowhere else to sleep.

But being grateful for shelter should not mean that residents lose their dignity or their ability to raise concerns about how they are treated.

I am not asking that shelter rules be eliminated. I follow the rules myself. I am clean, organized, respectful, and I try very hard not to cause problems.

My concern is the manner in which some rules are enforced and the treatment residents receive when they ask questions, make mistakes, or have individual needs.

I have personally experienced and documented concerns involving:

- \* Residents being yelled at or spoken to in a belittling manner.
- \* Threats of being removed from shelter over relatively minor incidents.
- \* Concerns about inconsistent enforcement of rules.
- \* Difficulty obtaining reasonable accommodations or even having requests fully heard.
- \* Concerns regarding treatment and placement of residents with dogs.
- \* Public humiliation surrounding an incident involving one of my dogs.
- \* Concerns regarding access to cooling and indoor space during extreme heat.
- \* Residents being required to leave the dorm during the day without adequate alternative indoor space.
- \* Concerns regarding food and meal schedules.
- \* Concerns regarding residents' personal belongings.
- \* Concerns regarding the adequacy of support for residents with significant mental-health needs.
- \* Fear among residents that complaining may jeopardize their shelter placement.

On August 19, 2026, for example, I was required to leave the dorm during the day and was using the chapel with my dogs as an indoor place to escape the extreme heat. After lunch, residents were informed that the chapel would be closed without advance notice or an explanation of where residents were supposed to go instead.

I have previously experienced heat exhaustion requiring emergency medical attention, so this is not simply a matter of comfort for me.

I also have a dog-related concern that resulted in significant distress. An unfamiliar dog was placed immediately adjacent to my dogs even though I had explained that my dogs need gradual introductions to other dogs. I asked whether I could change beds, but my request was denied. That night my dogs were highly distressed, and one of them ultimately bit me in the face.

I am not alleging that anyone intentionally caused this to happen. I am asking whether shelter policies concerning animal placement and resident accommodations are adequate to prevent foreseeable conflicts.

There are also concerns regarding how rules are communicated and enforced.

For example, I once attempted to enter the cafeteria to get coffee without realizing that it was closed. I acknowledge that there was a sign and that I should have followed it. However, rather than simply being informed that the cafeteria was closed, I was yelled at, questioned about whether I could read the sign, and threatened with being kicked out for the night.

That type of interaction is frightening for someone who has nowhere else to go.

My concern is not one isolated incident. It is the cumulative effect of these experiences.

I wake up each morning wanting to rebuild my life. I have been working with case managers, seeking housing, trying to find employment, and caring for my dogs.

Yet I increasingly dread returning to the shelter because I feel that I cannot ask for help without risking humiliation or conflict.

I believe the City should know what residents are experiencing in the homelessness system.

I am therefore asking the Mayor and City Council to:

1. Request information regarding oversight of homeless shelter providers operating within Santa Barbara.
2. Determine what governmental agency or contracted entity is responsible for monitoring the conditions and services provided at the Rescue Mission.
3. Encourage an independent review of resident complaints and shelter conditions.
4. Review whether adequate procedures exist for residents to report problems without fear of retaliation.
5. Review whether adequate cooling, water, and indoor daytime space are available during extreme heat.
6. Encourage consistent, written, and professionally enforced shelter policies.
7. Encourage appropriate accommodation procedures for residents with disabilities, medical needs, and animals.
8. Determine whether residents have meaningful access to alternative placements when a shelter environment is not appropriate for their needs.
9. Consider allowing residents and community advocates an opportunity to provide input regarding shelter operations.



I am also preparing a formal grievance through the County's homeless-services complaint process and am beginning to collect written documentation from other residents who wish to share their experiences.

I am not trying to attack the Rescue Mission.

I am asking the City to make sure that the people who depend upon the homelessness system are not forgotten once they enter a shelter.

People experiencing homelessness are still members of this community.

We deserve safety.

We deserve dignity.

We deserve to be heard.

And we deserve a genuine pathway toward getting out of homelessness—not simply a place to remain while our hope deteriorates.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I respectfully request that my concerns be acknowledged and that I be directed to the appropriate City or County official responsible for oversight of this matter.

Sincerely,

Darlene  
Santa Barbara, California  
Current shelter resident



**From:** [Anne Anderson](#)  
**To:** [Christel Barros](#)  
**Cc:** [Santa Barbara City Council](#); [Barbara Andersen](#); [Kelly R. McAdoo](#); [D Villano](#); [Tava Ostrenger](#); [Dan Hentschke](#); [Denny Wei](#); [Jason Dominguez](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Vacancy rent control violation?  
**Date:** Friday, August 21, 2026 9:37:38 AM

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**To:** [City Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** August 25 council meeting agenda item 5—no to Verkada  
**Date:** Friday, August 21, 2026 11:02:01 AM

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Santa Barbara should not feel like living in a dystopian police state.

Don't switch from Flock to the equally awful Verkada.

If we need surveillance cameras (do we really?), then we should make a special effort to find an honorable, trustworthy company.

Recent history has made clear that dishonorable people with access to surveillance technology misuse it to harass and abuse fellow citizens.

Thank you,

[REDACTED]  
Santa Barbara, CA

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Thank you Jason

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**Subject:** Vacancy rent control violation?  
**Date:** Friday, August 21, 2026 8:20:24 AM  
**Attachments:** [2023 Fleetwood Mobile Home For Sale 1210 Cacique St., Sp. 9 Santa Barbara, CA.pdf](#)

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## About this Home

Newer Construction Modern Upgrades Santa Barbara Lower Eastside

Built in 2023, this beautifully maintained 2-bedroom, 2-bath Fleetwood manufactured home offers modern construction, thoughtful upgrades, and an inviting open-concept floor plan. With approximately 972 sq. ft., the well-designed layout feels surprisingly spacious, offering comfortable living areas ideal for relaxing and entertaining.

The upgraded kitchen is a standout feature, featuring hardwood cabinetry with adjustable shelving and soft-close hinges, a convenient 3-door pantry, and solid-surface countertops with an undermount stainless-steel sink. The stainless-steel appliance package includes a 21 cu. ft. side-by-side refrigerator with ice and water in the door, self-cleaning gas range, over-the-range microwave, and dishwasher. The home is also plumbed for a stackable washer and dryer, adding convenience while maximizing space.

The main bedroom features a walk-in closet and a private en-suite bathroom. The g ...

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Seller's home ID #FL 009  
DOH #RAD1560021/2  
Serial #FLE220CA2341522A/B  
Lot rent: \$1,995  
Santa Barbara Unified School District

Exterior Features

- Roof: Shingled
- Trim color: White
- Color: Light Yellow
- Shutters: 2
- Windows: Dual pane

Appliances

- Dishwasher
- Garbage disposal
- Stove
- Microwave

Interior Features

- Ceiling: Drywall
- Walls: Finished drywall
- Cathedral ceilings: 5 or more

Other Exterior Features

- Gutters
- Sliding glass doors: 1

Floorplan Features

- Open floorplan
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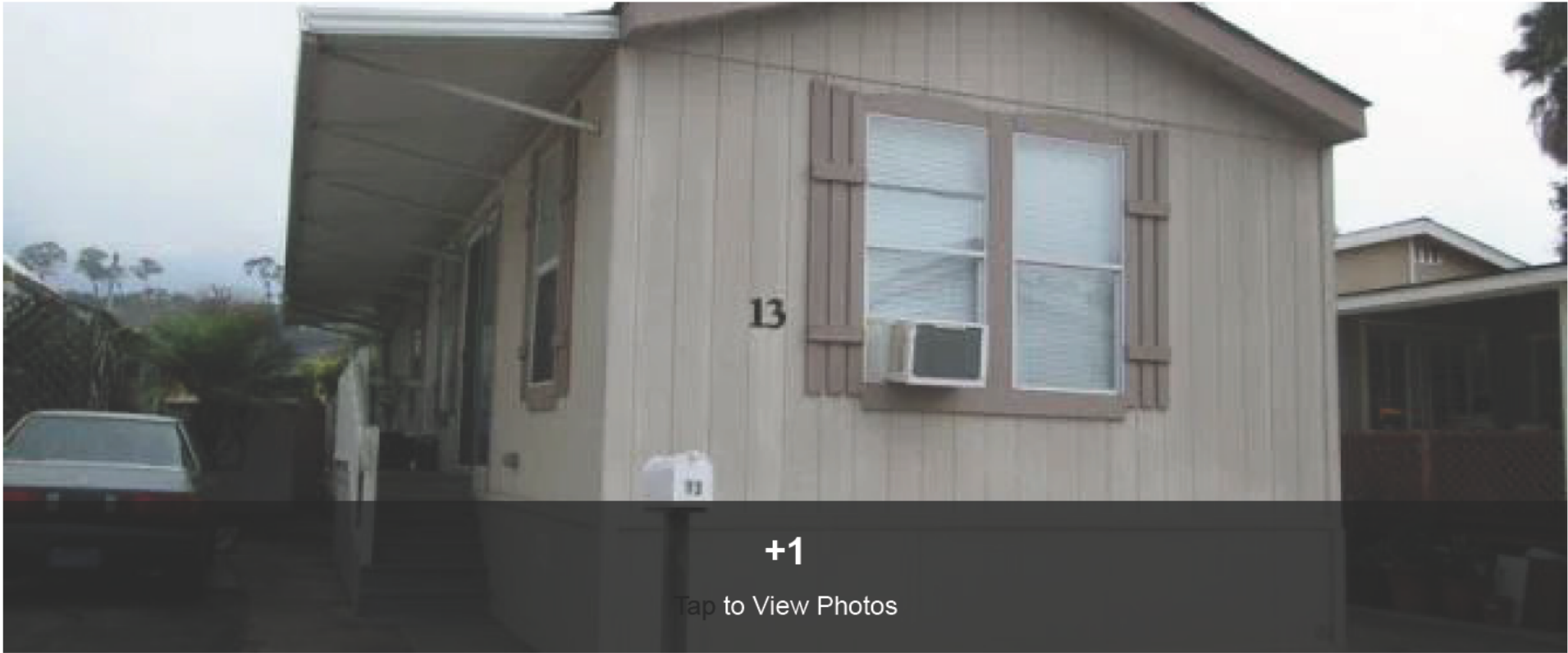
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1210 Cacique St Santa Barbara, CA 93103

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- Swimming pool
- Lot rent: 675
- Year built: 1960
- Site count: 69
- Multisection homes: 20%
- Homes w/ peaked roofs: 15%
- Homes w/ lap siding: 30%
- Street type: Paved
- Street width: Average
- Parking spaces: 2

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|-------------------------------------------------------|-------|
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In general, American citizens are subjected to excessive digital surveillance. It's encouraging to see the City of SB moving toward the elimination of Flock surveillance, but this system should not be replaced unless and until the public has a real opportunity to express itself. A similar system from another vendor, like Verkada, isn't the answer. The public must be assured that information collected by these means isn't shared with rogue agencies like ICE, or accessed by other unauthorized persons or entities. Data is stored somewhere, forever.

[REDACTED]  
SB 93103



**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [City Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** opposed to any ALPR devices in the city  
**Date:** Saturday, August 22, 2026 3:09:01 PM

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Do not allow any ALPR in the city of Santa Barbara!!!

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Santa Barbara, CA 93105  
[REDACTED]

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We don't need or want that here.

Thank you for your concern with this issue.

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SB, CA 93108

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Respectfully,

[REDACTED]  
Santa Barbara

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**Subject:** Tuesday August 25 City Council Meeting – thanks for action on ALPR Contracts  
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City Council: Thanks for indicating that Santa Barbara will be terminating its contract with Flock Safety for ALPR surveillance. I am concerned, however, that the city will be jumping from the frying into the fire. An ALPR contract will Verkada or another surveillance company will not solve the problem of misuse of the technology, unauthorized sharing of data with agencies other than SBPD and other problems with lax security.

Are the supposed crime-fighting benefits really worth the erosion of privacy and civil rights that inevitably accompany these technologies? I think not.

Don't rush into a another bad deal. We don't want and don't need ALPR surveillance in our neighborhoods.

[REDACTED]  
4th City Council District

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [City Clerk](#)  
**Subject:** Council Item 5: Non-renewal of Flock Contract  
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To Whom It May Concern,

Please accept this letter as written public comment for next Tuesday's Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Santa Barbara, CA 93103

August 19, 2026

Honorable Councilmembers,

I am aware that there may be a discussion at the August 25<sup>th</sup> council meeting regarding forbidding the use of Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) systems outside of parking enforcement. I will be out of town that day or I would have appeared before you in person.

I am writing to suggest that any concerns regarding privacy issues around this technology has been mitigated by the police chief's decision to switch the (ALPR) system from Flock to Verkada. As you are aware, there has been some controversy around whether Flock is willing to block their data from being shared with other agencies. In response to those concerns, the police chief has made a sound decision to move to a product which guarantees a closed system. This decision reflects, yet again, the Santa Barbara police department's willingness to listen to the concerns of the community and respond accordingly.

ALPR systems have proven invaluable across the country in providing law enforcement agencies, already burdened with staffing shortages, a valuable tool to assist them in the location of wanted vehicles. The privacy issues being raised should be separated from what the ALPR system offers in terms of enhancing the ability of the Police Department locate stolen and wanted vehicles. This tool provides a very practical means of reducing police/citizen contacts while enhancing public safety.

As someone with 53 years of law enforcement in various agencies, including 18 months as your interim police chief, I can attest to the obvious; the SBPD is on the cutting edge of 21<sup>st</sup> century law enforcement in terms of their commitment to community police and reverence for human life. I suspect that each of you already knows this. The SBPD, like law enforcement agencies everywhere, are struggling with staffing shortages. Any tool that can assist them without being intrusive should be embraced.

Sincerely,

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Chief of Police (ret)

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