



General Public Comment Received

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To you, as a representative of Santa Barbara's residents:

I am opposed to the establishment of a 250 room Hotel on lower Garden Street in Santa Barbara California.

Inherent in your position as a leader in our community, is a trust bond between us in belief that you will do your best to protect our best interests. Protect our families, and our environment, and to make decisions for the betterment of our neighbors.

To promote another large hotel, to make a decision to enhance one business which will detract from the quality of life for we who live here, would be hard-hearted and an obvious insult to the people for whom this is home.

Santa Barbara City published a Water Conservation Strategic Plan in 2020. The sub-title is "Making Conservation A Way Of Life"

Page 38 includes this paragraph:

"Conservation is one of the least expensive means of meeting future water supply needs for the area. The implementation of these conservation measures should reduce per capita water use and has the potential to defer the need for further infrastructure expansion. While the conservation actions identified can have a significant cost, the cost of not participating in conservation and having to address increased demands through engineering solutions may be even higher. Furthermore, with climate change, long-term drought, and environmental restrictions on the delivery of imported water, additional water supplies may not be available to meet future increases in demands without conservation. "

The State is requiring an increase build of "housing" and our community has been seeing the results of the quick build 4 story structures. Housing! not hotel rooms!

Mr Jeffrey Kightlinger, Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, answered the poignant question about how so much new building is approved when there is so obviously a water crisis in our state with these words "Your kids got to live somewhere." Please do not allow for 250 hotel rooms, but rather do promote and approve housing for the potential of the kids of we who live here now.

Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Riley Olson