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From: [Greta Walters](#)
To: [SSAC Member Distribution List](#)
Subject: FW: Reinstate State Street Shuttle - Alternate Route
Date: Thursday, February 10, 2022 9:52:00 AM

Good morning, SSAC Members—

Please see the message below from a member of the public.

Thank you,
Greta



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As part of the City's recent response to COVID-19, the Community Development and Public Works offices at 630 Garden Street have temporarily suspended in-person services. Online [application submittal and permitting](#) and [virtual counter services](#) continue to be available. The self-service lobby area is also open daily for your various pick up and drop off needs. Please visit our websites for additional information.

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From: KATHLEEN DAGG <dagweg@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 10, 2022 8:19 AM
To: Sarah Gorman <SGorman@santabarbaraca.gov>
Subject: Reinstate State Street Shuttle - Alternate Route

EXTERNAL

02/10/2022

To State Street Advisory Committee,

Hello to all,

From the website we can see that in prior times the downtown shuttle presented an alternate route "When State Street is closed to vehicle traffic for special events, the Shuttles detour up Chapala and down Anacapa Street." . Though State Street is closed and the shuttle service is suspended, would not reinstating the shuttle service help to revive the downtown State Street Corridor and more quickly, without any big and/or dramatic actions or costs needed? Don't we have the shuttles? Don't we have available bus stops that the shuttles can utilize? [See attached](#). This seems like a missed opportunity. Anecdotally, I can tell you that we regularly shopped and ate downtown and at the waterfront for 20 years, walking partially and then taking the

shuttle one of the directions. Because the downtown and waterfront shuttles have stopped, we get in the car and go north to shop and eat or buy from online retailers and the grocery stores. I doubt we are alone in this behavior. I also don't believe tourists take full advantage of State Street as many are not able to walk the distance.

What are the chances we can reinstate the shuttles? We have masks, hand sanitizers, vaccines and boosters.

Thank you so much for your consideration.

All the best,

Kathleen Dagg
Resident and Homeowner



Shuttle Going South:	
Anacapa and Sola	299
Anacapa and Anapamu	4481675
Anacapa and Carillo	AnacCarr I
Anacapa a De La Guerra	4481676
Anacapa & De La Guerra	175
Anacapa and Ortega	468
<i>Turn right on E Gutierrez</i>	
<i>Turn left on State Street</i>	
State Street just before Mason	Shuttle Stop?
Dolphin Fountain turnaround	Shuttle Stop
Shuttle Going North:	
36 State Street	Shuttle Stop
214 State Street	Shuttle Stop
<i>Left at Gutierrez</i>	
Gutierrez and State	467
<i>Right on Chapala</i>	
Chapala and Haley	213
Chapala and Cota	343
Chapala & Canon Perdido	345
Figueroa at Chapala	4481674
Chapala & Anapamu	216
Chapala & Sola	389
<i>Right on Micheltorena</i>	
Micheltorena & State	795

From: [Steve Hausz](#)
To: [SSAC Secretary](#); [Santa Barbara City Council](#); [Rebecca Bjork](#); [Jason Harris](#)
Cc: [President@sb-allied.org](#); [pcs@pearlchasesociety.org](#); [CitizensPlanningSB@gmail.com](#); [Anne Petersen](#)
Subject: SB Conservancy views on RFP for SS Master Plan
Date: Wednesday, February 23, 2022 1:35:16 PM
Attachments: [Letter to SSAC re RFP 2022-02-23.pdf](#)

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Attached is a letter from the Santa Barbara Conservancy expressing its concerns about the recent RFP for a new State Street Master Plan. We hope you will share this letter widely. We offer these comments in the spirit of constructive criticism and a strong desire to achieve the best possible outcome for Santa Barbara.

Thank you,

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Wednesday, February 23, 2022

David Davis, Chair, State Street Advisory Committee
Members of the State Street Advisory Committee
c/o SSAC Secretary
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Santa Barbara, CA 93101

VIA EMAIL

Re: RFP No. 4064 Issued January 6, 2022, for State Street Master Plan

The Santa Barbara Conservancy, a not-for-profit organization that advocates for the recognition, preservation, and revitalization of historic, architectural, and cultural resources in Santa Barbara County, is writing to express its concern regarding the recently issued RFP for a State Street Master Plan. The Conservancy is concerned that the Project Scope of Work as described in the RFP is overly broad and will only dilute and undermine efforts to develop a coherent urban master plan for State Street.

The Project Scope of Work lists 15 items including: Economic Development, Sustainability and Resiliency, Stormwater Management, Homeless Engagement, Equity & Accessibility, Funding Strategies, and Ongoing Operations. This Project Scope is so broad and unwieldy that it defies coherence and needlessly duplicates previous actions by the City. For example,

- The Project Scope addresses economic development. In July 2019, the City accepted the study prepared by the Kosmont Companies *Recommendations for Downtown Revitalization*; why ask a planner to redo this work now?
- The Project Scope calls for recommendations on Ongoing Operations. In January 2020, the City commissioned a Report for Land Development and Construction Permitting Workflow and Organizational Study by the Novak Group; again, why ask a planner to redo this work now?

Other items on the Project Scope of Work list include Equity and Accessibility and Homeless Engagement. Of course, these are important issues. Equity and accessibility are central to discussions about the economic, political, medical, and environmental situation in our community. Homelessness is an intractable social problem for almost every American city. So now, the City expects a planner to propose not only the spatial solutions to each of these, but also propose how to fund these solutions and manage their implementation and ongoing operations? This is, we fear, frankly unrealistic.

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In the wake of the Covid pandemic, changing patterns in retail and work routines, unavoidable environmental and energy challenges, the time is indeed ripe for a true Master Plan for State Street. A good master plan clarifies what comes next by providing an image - a plan - of what we want Santa Barbara to look like by mid-century.

Santa Barbara has a unique identity, the product of a shared vision, nurtured over more than a century, and encoded in local codes and standards. This is a city possessed of a strong urban DNA. A new Master Plan for State Street should recognize and build upon this urban and architectural heritage. We are concerned that a Master Plan for State Street as described in this RFP cannot do this because it is so broadly and unrealistically defined, and it does not have enough focus on urban design and vision.

A good Urban Master Plan should frame the problems and opportunities in three-dimensional, spatial terms. It should describe existing conditions and imagine preferable conditions in visual formats that the community can comprehend and not as a series of technical reports on stormwater management, parking, and financial spreadsheets.

A successful plan contributes to the community's capacity to participate in planning discussions. It should identify what must be preserved, as well as what could possibly be changed.

In evaluating the proposals submitted in response to RFP 4064, the Santa Barbara Conservancy urges City officials and administrators to remain focused on obtaining a comprehensive, coherent urban plan that describes a vision of Santa Barbara at mid-century rather than a set of technical reports supplemented with a set of conceptual sketches.

Thank you for considering our comments.



Patricia Saley,
Secretary, Santa Barbara Conservancy
On behalf of The Board of Directors

Cc: Mayor and Councilmembers
Rebecca Bjork, City Administrator
Jason Harris, Economic Development Manager
Pearl Chase Society
Santa Barbara Trust for Historic Preservation
Allied Neighborhoods Association
Citizens Planning Association

From: [Ddd Studio Gallery](#)
To: [SSAC Secretary](#)
Subject: Concerns
Date: Friday, February 25, 2022 1:09:39 PM

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To Whom It May Concern: Although the closure of State Street seems like a done issue, I would just like to say that part of our business was always with the tram or cars coming by and people seeing that there was an art gallery here. I heard over and over that when they saw the gallery, they would then park and come in. With the closure of State Street, that no longer applies so we have now become a destination gallery with people having to know we are here. Although we do great advertising, we no longer have the walk in traffic that we had when the street was open. Is there any possibility that the tram service can be incorporated into the new plan for State Street?

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