



City of Santa Barbara

STATE STREET ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES JANUARY 10, 2022

4:00 P.M.

This Meeting was Conducted Electronically
SantaBarbaraCA.gov

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Dave Davis, Chair
Ken Saxon, Vice Chair
Dianne Black
Hillary Blackerby
Roxana Bonderson
Roger Durling
Nadra Ehrman
Robin Elander
Ed Lenvik
Peter Lewis
Kristen Miller
Susanne Tejada
Alejandra Gutierrez, Councilmember
Meagan Harmon, Councilmember
Mike Jordan, Councilmember
Michael Becker (alternate)
Marge Cafarelli (alternate)

STAFF:

Elias Isaacson, Community Development Director
Tava Ostrenger, Assistant City Attorney
Tess Harris, State Street Master Planner
Greta Walters, Administrative Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

I. ATTENDANCE

Members present: Chair Davis, Vice Chair Saxon, Committee Members Black, Blackerby, Bonderson, Durling, Ehrman, Elander, Lenvik, Lewis, Miller, Tejada, Gutierrez, Harmon, Jordan, Becker (alternate), Cafarelli (alternate)

Members absent: Gutierrez

Staff present: DiGuilio, Grant, J. Harris, T. Harris, Hentschke, Isaacson, Maurer, Ostrenger, and Walters

II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

A. Welcome from Chair Davis

B. Review of State Street Advisory Committee's (SSAC's) Operating Principles

1. Vice Chair Saxon reviewed the SSAC's Operating Principles for the group:

- Future-oriented
- Ambitious, but practical
- Big picture
- Learning
- Inclusive
- Healthy conflict
- Collaborative Spirit
- Partner well with City staff and Council
- Transparency

2. Vice Chair Saxon reviewed the SSAC's Operating Principles for each member:

- Open your perspective and learn
- Respectful engagement
- Mind your contribution
- Be an ambassador for the committee and its work

C. Announcements:

Chair Davis announced the following:

1. The SSAC received emailed public comments, including a comment from Commissioner Lenvik.
2. State Street Master Planner Tess Harris thanked SSAC members who participated in the walking tours with Anthony Grumbine. She noted that she is working to set up another tour and asked members to contact her if they are interested in participating.
3. Ms. Harris stated that she will be hosting a booth on first Thursdays on State Street to engage the public in the State Street Master Plan process.
4. Public Works Director Cliff Maurer announced that Matt Fore left his position with the City and accepted a role with another organization. Mr. Maurer explained that an interim division manager will be appointed until the role is permanently filled.

D. Agenda Review

Chair Davis announced the following order for today's meeting agenda:

1. RFP/RFQ Status
Recommendation: Receive a presentation from Ms. Harris on the State Street Master Plan Request for Proposal process.
2. Overview of Proposed Economic Recovery Extension and Transition Ordinance
Recommendation: Receive a briefing on interim standards and operations for State Street.
3. Public Safety Access Needs and Traffic Circulation Considerations Related to the Closure of the 400 Block of State Street
Recommendation: Receive a presentation from Public Works staff and discuss circulation along the 400 block of State Street.
4. Establish SSAC Meeting Time and Schedule
Recommendation: Set the SSAC's meeting schedule for the calendar year.
5. Potential Agenda Items for Next Meeting
Recommendation: Discuss agenda items for the upcoming meeting.

E. Review, consideration, and approval of the SSAC minutes:

Motion: Approve the minutes of the State Street Advisory Committee meeting of **November 15, 2021**, as submitted.

Action: Durling / Blackerby, 14/1/0. (None opposed. None abstained. Gutierrez absent.) Motion carried.

F. Comments from members of the public pertaining to items not on this agenda:

Public comment opened at 4:24 p.m.

The following individuals spoke:

1. Mitchell Sjerven
2. Richard Yates

Public comment closed at 4:28 p.m.

III. AGENDA ITEMS

A. RFP/RFQ Status

Actual time: 4:28 p.m.

Ms. Harris gave the Staff presentation and was available to answer questions.

Public comment opened at 4:33 p.m., and as no one wished to speak, it closed.

B. Overview of Proposed Economic Recovery Extension and Transition Ordinance

Actual time: 4:34 p.m.

Economic Development Manager Jason Harris and Fire Marshal Ryan DiGuilio gave the Staff presentation; Mr. DiGuilio, Assistant City Attorney Dan Hentschke, Ms. Harris, and Mr. Harris were available to answer questions.

Discussion held.

Public comment opened at 5:20 p.m., and the following individuals spoke:

1. Richard Yates
2. Trey Pinner

Public comment closed at 5:25 p.m.

C. Public Safety Access Needs and Traffic Circulation – 400 Block

Actual time: 5:27 p.m.

Transportation Engineer Derrick Bailey, Fire Marshal DiGiulio, and Police Sergeant Mike Brown gave the Staff presentation, and Interim Public Works Downtown Manager Jessica Grant was available to answer questions.

Discussion held.

Public comment opened at 6:09 p.m., and the following individuals spoke:

3. Paul Rupp
4. Cassandra Ensberg

Public comment closed at 6:12 p.m.

D. Establish SSAC Meeting Time and Schedule

Actual time: 6:12 p.m.

Ms. Harris stated that the availability survey sent to SSAC members did not reveal a day that was favored by an overwhelming majority, so the SSAC will continue to meet on the third Monday's of the month from 4 to 6pm, with exceptions for the following dates: February 28, June 13, October 17, November 14, and December 12, 2022.

Discussion held.

Public comment opened at 6:20 p.m., and as no one wished to speak, it closed.

E. Potential Future SSAC Discussion Topics

Actual time: 6:21 p.m.

Ms. Harris shared potential discussion topics pertaining to the State Street Master Plan that can be covered over the next five to six months, before a consultant has been hired.

Discussion held.

Public comment opened at 6:33 p.m., and as no one wished to speak, it closed.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.