



# City of Santa Barbara

## STATE STREET ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES SEPTEMBER 6, 2023

4:00 P.M.

Faulkner Gallery, Santa Barbara Public Library,  
40 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
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### 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  
Meagan Harmon, Councilmember  
Mike Jordan, Councilmember  
Kristen Sneddon, Councilmember  
Michael Becker (alternate)  
Marge Cafarelli (alternate)

### STAFF:

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

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## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Davis called the meeting to order at 4:04 P.M.

### I. ATTENDANCE

Members present: Chair Davis, Vice Chair Saxon, Committee Members Blackerby, Durling (departed at 6:15 P.M.), Elander, Lenvik, Lewis, Tejada, Gutierrez, Harmon, Jordan (departed at 5:55 P.M.), Becker (alternate; departed at 6:47 P.M.)

Members absent: Black, Bonderson, Cafarelli, Ehrman, Miller

Staff present: Timmy Bolton, Brian Bosse, Sam Furtner, Jessica Grant, Tess Harris, Elias Isaacson, Clifford Maurer, Tava Ostrenger, and Greta Walters

### II. PRELIMINARY MATTERS

#### A. Opening Remarks and Announcements

Chair Davis reminded the State Street Advisory Committee (SSAC) members about the committee's adopted operating principles, and highlighted the call to be future-oriented, engage in respectful and healthy conflict, and serve as ambassadors in their constituent groups.

**B. Agenda Review**

Ms. Harris announced the following:

1. On August 29, City Council moved forward with some recommendations for State Street Interim Operations made by the State Street Interim Operations Ad Hoc Committee.
2. The SSAC and members of the public should separate interim operations on State Street currently underway, and changes envisioned for the future of State Street.
3. Supervising Transportation Planner Jessica Grant joined today's meeting to present State Street's transportation history and contextualize SSAC's consideration of design concepts.

**C. Review, consideration, and approval of the State Street Advisory Committee minutes:**

Motion: Approve the minutes of the State Street Advisory Committee meeting of **August 21, 2023**, as amended.

Action: Durling / Sneddon, 11/0/0. (Black, Bonderson, Ehrman, Miller absent.)  
Motion carried.

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

Public comment opened at 4:14 P.M.

Ms. Harris read into the record names of individuals who submitted public comment.

The following individuals spoke:

1. Fred Sweeney
2. Marilyn Brewer
3. Nick Koonce
4. Lórien Davy

Public comment closed at 4:23 P.M.

**III. AGENDA ITEMS****A. State Street Plaza Transportation History and Future Considerations for the Create State Master Planning Effort**

Actual time: 4:24 P.M.

Ms. Grant gave the staff presentation on downtown State Street's transportation history and key transportation considerations for long-term design. She was available to answer clarifying questions from SSAC members.

Public comment opened at 5:53 P.M., and the following individuals spoke:

1. Catherine Vincenti

2. Molly Pearson
3. Sarah Siedschlag
4. Lee Heller
5. Fred Sweeney
6. Aaron Richter
7. Lórien Davy
8. Marilyn Brewer
9. Heather Deutsch
10. Jim Marston

Public comment closed at 6:16 P.M.

SSAC members provided feedback on two questions posted by Ms. Grant:

1. Are there any transportation considerations that should be added or modified in Attachment 1 or the presentation slides to assist the SSAC in understanding the tradeoffs when evaluating the preliminary concepts?
2. Are there any transportation modes or issues that the SSAC would like staff to expand on in a future meeting?

#### **IV. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Actual time: 6:52 P.M.

Ms. Harris announced the next meeting of the SSAC is currently scheduled for October 23, 2023. She stated that she will reach out to the committee members if another meeting is needed before that date.

#### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Davis adjourned the meeting at 6:53 P.M.