

SANTA BARBARA LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING TO ADOPT CITY SPHERES OF INFLUENCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission will be held on **March 7, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.** At the hearing the Commission will consider adopting spheres of influence (SOI) for the following Cities: City of Buellton, City of Carpinteria, City of Guadalupe, City of Goleta, City of Lompoc, City of Santa Barbara, City of Santa Maria, and City of Solvang. The SOI for the seven cities **will not** change from the existing SOI. The Sphere of Influence for the City of Santa Barbara is recommended to add a small area near Sunrise Hill. See instructions below on additional public participation.

Location of Proposed SOI; Environmental Determination. The eight cities are within, Santa Barbara, Ca. LAFCO will adopt a Categorical Exemption CEQA Guidelines 15378(b)(5) because no change of the sphere of influence is being adopted for the Cities of Buellton, Carpinteria, Guadalupe, Goleta, Lompoc, Santa Maria, and Solvang. The City of Santa Barbara's updated SOI would be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15301, 15303, 15311, and 15315 because a small area is being added to the existing sphere of influence.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Remote Participation: Members of the public and Commissioners may participate in person or by using the remote video testimony system located at the County Administration Building, Board Hearing Room, Fourth Floor, 105 East Anapamu Street, in Santa Barbara or at the Betteravia Government Center, Board of Supervisors' Conference Room, 511 East Lakeside Parkway, Santa Maria. Persons may address the Commission on any matter listed on the agenda by completing and delivering to the Clerk a speaker slip before the item is considered. Matters not listed on the agenda may be addressed during the public comment period at the conclusion of the administrative agenda.

Remote participation by members of the Commission may be allowed under Government Code sections 54953 and 54953.8, *et seq.*, when applicable as provided below.

1. **You may observe** the live stream of the Commission meetings in the following ways:

- Televised on local cable channel 20;
- Online at: <http://www.countyofsb.org/ceo/csbtv/livestream.sbc>; and
- YouTube at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CSBTV20>

2. **If you wish to make a general public comment or to comment on a specific agenda item, the following methods are available:**

- **Distribution to the Commission** - Submit your comment via email prior to 5 p.m. on the day prior to the Commission meeting. Please submit your comment to the Commission Clerk at: ilahiller1201@gmail.com. Your comment will be placed into the record and distributed appropriately.

- **Zoom Webinar “Attendee”** - If you would like to comment through Zoom, please log onto the LAFCO website at www.sblafco.org and follow the instructions for participation by Zoom that are on the agenda for the hearing.

Disclosure of Campaign Contributions – LAFCO Commissioners are disqualified and are not able to participate in proceedings involving an “entitlement for use” if, within the 12 months preceding the LAFCO decision, the Commissioner received more than \$500 in campaign contributions from the applicant, an agent of the applicant or an financially interested person who actively supports or opposes the LAFCO decision on this matter.

Persons participating in this proceeding who have made such contributions are required to disclose that fact for the official record of the proceedings. Disclosures must include the amount of the contribution and the recipient Commissioner and may be made either in writing to the Executive Officer of the Commission prior to the hearing or by an oral declaration at the time of the hearing. The foregoing requirements are set forth in the Political Reform Act of 1974, specifically in Government Code section 84308.

Additional information. – Additional information regarding items to be considered at the meeting may be obtained by contacting the LAFCO office at 105 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara CA 93101 or by calling 805-568-3391. The agenda and staff report for the hearing will be available at the LAFCO website at www.sblafco.org. 5 days before the hearing.

Dated this 16th day of April 2026

Mike Prater, Executive Officer
Santa Barbara LAFCO