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April, 27, 2020

Re: Focused Work Effort To Facilitate Downtown Housing Development

Dear Mayor Murillo and Council Members,

The AUD Amendments represent many different voices in our community from the multi-year process.

Rushing a divided package of AUD amendments through what has been Santa Barbara's long-established planning system deprives the public of an adequate time for open public review, involvement and input. The citizens of Santa Barbara have participated in good planning processes and practices for more than 40 years. We deserve, even demand that those good practices continue in our city. The acknowledged public health emergency of COVID-19 must not be an excuse for cutting off even more public participation into what have been and must continue to be open public processes for the downtown and all other sections of Santa Barbara.

Sincerely,

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