

Notice of Determination**Appendix D****To:**

☒ Office of Planning and Research
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☒ County Clerk
 County of: Santa Barbara
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From:

Public Agency: City of Santa Barbara
 Address: 630 Garden Street
Santa Barbara, CA 92101
 Contact: Julia Pujo, Environmental Analyst
 Phone: 805 564 5470

Lead Agency (if different from above):
Same as above
 Address: _____

 Contact: _____
 Phone: _____

SUBJECT: Filing of Notice of Determination in compliance with Section 21108 or 21152 of the Public Resources Code.

State Clearinghouse Number (if submitted to State Clearinghouse): #92091038; 95121040; 2001081069

Project Title: EIR Addendum for the Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort Expansion Project

Project Applicant: Trish Allen, SEPPS, Agent; Fess Parker-Red Lion Hotel, Owner

Project Location (include county): Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara County

Project Description:

See attached.

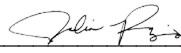
This is to advise that the City of Santa Barbara has approved the above
 (☒ Lead Agency or ☐ Responsible Agency)

described project on 9/23/2025 and has made the following determinations regarding the above
 (date)
 described project.

1. The project [☐ will ☒ will not] have a significant effect on the environment.
2. ☒ An Environmental Impact Report was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
☐ A Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures [☒ were ☐ were not] made a condition of the approval of the project.
4. A mitigation reporting or monitoring plan [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
5. A statement of Overriding Considerations [☐ was ☒ was not] adopted for this project.
6. Findings [☒ were ☐ were not] made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

This is to certify that the final EIR with comments and responses and record of project approval, or the negative Declaration, is available to the General Public at:

Planning Division, Community Development Department, 630 Garden St., Santa Barbara, CA 93101

Signature (Public Agency):  Title: Project Planner

Date: 9/24/2025 Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

NOD Project Description Attachment

September 24, 2025

The proposed project consists of a 50,195-square-foot addition to Building B (Bougainvillea), as well as the removal of 2 guest rooms and the reconfiguration of 6 guest rooms in Building B. The project includes the demolition of Building A (Azalea), a 4,027-square-foot building with 8 guest rooms, and the demolition of the tennis courts and 240-square-foot tennis shop. The total number of guest rooms would increase from 360 to 433 guest rooms (a net increase of 73 guest rooms). The total square footage of the hotel would increase from 329,780 square feet to 375,708 square feet (a net increase of 45,928 square feet).

The proposed project also includes lanai pools, swimming pool, spa, outdoor fire pit lounge area with bar, new landscaping, storm water improvements, soil and groundwater remediation, and public improvements. A total of 22 trees would be removed, 33 trees would be relocated, and 47 trees would be protected. Fifty new trees are proposed.

The total number of vehicle parking spaces onsite would be reduced from 931 spaces to 880 spaces. The adjacent Waterfront Hotel (not yet constructed at 433 E. Cabrillo Blvd.) would be allocated 100 of the spaces through an existing parking easement agreement, resulting in a total of 780 parking spaces for the Hilton hotel project. Valet parking during peak events would provide an additional 71 parking spaces. Bicycle parking spaces would increase from 58 to 100.