



Planning and Development

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE DRAFT NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE PROPOSED

**St. Therese Classical Academy Revision and Development Plan and Case No's.
23DVP-00026 & 23RVP-00098**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: St. Therese Classical Academy proposes a Revision (RVP) to the Christ the King Episcopal Church Conditional Use Permit, Case No. 76-CP-27, and Final Development Plan (DVP) and a to validate the existing St. Therese Classical Academy school use, expand the existing school, and allow for construction of one modular structure containing five classrooms, and one modular structure containing two conference rooms.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project site is located approximately 1/2 miles east of the intersection between Hollister Avenue and S. Patterson Avenue, commonly known as 5073 Hollister Avenue, APN 065-110-004, in the Eastern Goleta Valley Community Plan area, second Supervisorial District.

PUBLIC COMMENT: The County of Santa Barbara Planning and Development Department (P&D) is soliciting comments on the adequacy and completeness of 26NGD-00002. You may comment by submitting written or oral comments to the project planner identified below prior to the close of public comment on November 30, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

PROJECT DETAILS:

The proposed project includes a request for a Revision, Case No. 23RVP-00098, to revise the existing Conditional Use Permit (Case No. 76-CP-27) to validate the existing full-time school use. The full-time school will have a maximum enrollment of 85 students and will serve Kindergarten through 12th grade, an increase of approximately 51 students from the current enrollment of approximately 34 students. The school will have a maximum of 10 teaching staff and a maximum of three administrative staff.

The project also includes a request for a Final Development Plan, Case No. 23DVP-00026, to allow construction of one new 1,440-square-foot structure which will include four new classrooms and one new 720-square-foot structure which will include two new conference rooms, totaling 2,160

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square feet of new development. The proposed project will reduce the previously approved development onsite from 13,342 square feet to a total of 10,508 square feet, a net decrease of 2,834 square feet.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FINDINGS: P&D has prepared a Draft Negative Declaration (MND) (26NGD-00002) pursuant to Section 15070 of the State Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the County of Santa Barbara Guidelines for the Implementation of CEQA. P&D's issuance of a MND affirms our opinion that any significant adverse impacts associated with the proposed project may be reduced to a less than significant level with the adoption of mitigation measures and that the project does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The MND prepared for the project identifies and discusses potential impacts, mitigation measures, residual impacts and monitoring requirements for identified subject areas. Significant but mitigable effects on the environment are anticipated in the following areas: **Aesthetics and Noise**. If the project description changes, P&D will require a reevaluation to consider the changes. This reevaluation will be subject to all regular fees and conditions. If you challenge this environmental document in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues raised by you or others in written correspondence or in hearings on the proposed project.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY: If a copy of the draft MND is not attached, the draft MND may be obtained and all documents incorporated by reference in the MND may be reviewed at P&D offices located at 624 Foster Road, Suite C, Santa Maria and on the P&D website at [EnvDocs | Powered by Box](#). Draft documents are also available for review at the Santa Barbara County Public Library at 40 E. Anapamu St. Santa Barbara 93101

HOW TO COMMENT: Please provide comments to the project planner, Francisco Vargas, at vargasf@countyofsb.org, prior to the close of public comment on November 30, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Please limit comments to environmental issues such as traffic, biology, noise, etc. You will receive notice of the dates of future public hearings to consider project approval or denial.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in the hearing, please contact Hearing Support Staff (805) 568-2000. Notification at least 48 hours prior to the hearing will enable Hearing Support Staff to make reasonable arrangements.