

# VISIT SANTA BARBARA

**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, March 20, 2025 - 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.**  
**Location: Visit Santa Barbara Office**  
*(500 E. Montecito St, Santa Barbara, CA 93101)*

## **VSB MISSION**

We inspire overnight travel to the Santa Barbara South Coast in order to enhance the community's economy and quality of life.

## **DESTINATION VISION**

Santa Barbara is a distinctly beautiful place where travelers come from around the World for a personal experience of relaxation, enjoyment, and inspiration.

## **AGENDA**

**Guest Speaker: Wendy Santamaria, Councilmember District 1, City of Santa Barbara**

### **Action Items**

- 1. Call to Order** **Tom Patton**
- 2. Antitrust Compliance** **Tom Patton**
- 3. Public Comment** **Members of the Public**  
Three minutes per member of the public.
- 4. Approval of Agenda, Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports** **Tom Patton**  
Recommended Action: Approve agenda for the March 20, 2025, board meeting, meeting minutes from the February 20, 2025, board meeting and financial reports for January 2025.
- 5. Approval of Bylaw Revisions** **Tom Patton**  
**Recommended Action:** Review and adopt revisions to the VSB Bylaws to allow eligible board members to serve two consecutive terms on the Visit Santa Barbara Board of Directors.
- 6. Approval of Nominations Committee** **Tom Patton**  
Recommended Action: Appoint an advisory Nominating Committee, consisting of the Vice Chair, Chris Cline and four members of the Corporation. The first nominations committee is scheduled early April.

### **Discussion Items**

- 7. Public Policy Updates** **Tom Patton**  
Recommendation: Management update and committee discussions on current public policy issues affecting the leisure and hospitality industry. Topics may include government funding for tourism marketing, changes to local taxes, changes to local regulation, or similar matters.

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## 8. FY 25/26 Budget and Business Plan Timeline

Tom Patton

Recommendation: Review the timeline for preparing the FY 25/26 budget and business plan.

## 9. Business Conditions

Tom Patton

Board Discussion Item: Discuss business conditions and economic environment observed in the destination.

## 10. Community Reports

This portion of the meeting included for each entity listed below to provide a brief update:

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| • Santa Barbara City Council                   | Councilmember Mike Jordan      |
| • City of Goleta                               | Councilmember Luz Reyes-Martin |
| • SB South Coast Chamber                       | Kristen Miller                 |
| • SB South Coast Chamber Hospitality Committee | Tom Patton                     |
| • Santa Barbara Airport                        | Chris Hastert                  |
| • Downtown CBID                                | Trevor Large                   |

## 11. President's Report

Kathy Janega-Dykes

The President/CEO will provide updates on Visit Santa Barbara's operations and programs that were not otherwise included on the agenda.

## 12. Good of the Order

Tom Patton

This portion of the meeting is reserved for the Board of Directors to make recommendations for future agenda items.

## 13. Adjourn

## Closed Session

**Next Board Meeting:** Thursday, April 17, 2025

**Location:** Visit Santa Barbara Office

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC:** You are welcome and encouraged to participate in this meeting. Public comment is taken (three minutes maximum per person) on items listed on the agenda when they are called. Public Comments on items not listed on the agenda will be heard at the meeting as noted on the agenda. Comments on controversial items may be limited and large groups are encouraged to select one or two speakers to represent the opinion of the group. The order of Agenda items is listed for reference and may be taken in any order deemed appropriate by the Committee. The Agenda provides a general description and staff recommendations; however, the Committee may act other than what is recommended.

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## **ANTITRUST COMPLIANCE POLICY**

*It is the policy of Visit Santa Barbara to fully comply with the antitrust laws of the United States and the State of California. In order to assure full compliance, the following policies and procedures are to be followed by all employees and members of the Bureau and by representatives of any members of the Bureau.*

*At any meeting of the membership of VSB or any committees of VSB, or at any meeting where any employee of VSB is present or where VSB is in any way involved, there shall be no discussion of the following:*

- A. Prices or rates for hotel or motel rooms, food and beverage, transportation, sightseeing, or other services or facilities of members, including but not limited to prices or rates to be charged to convention groups, tour groups or tour operators, including off-season prices or discounts;*
- B. Changes or proposed changes in the prices or rates of hotel or motel rooms, food and beverage, transportation, sightseeing, or other services offered to customers of the hotel and motel industry;*
- C. Formulas, procedures, or means for the establishment and determination of prices, rates, discounts, terms, and conditions or rental;*
- D. Plans of individual members covering increases or reductions in capacity or distribution or marketing of particular products or services.*
- E. Restrictions on legal advertising or promotional activities.*
- F. Matters relating to actual or potential suppliers or customers that might have the effect of excluding them from any market or of influencing others not to deal with them.*