

## MP Clerk

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**From:** marrissa kwok <marrissakwok@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:57 PM  
**To:** MP Clerk  
**Subject:** Support for Item 3-C 5 Year Bruggemeyer Library Strategic Plan

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Hello!

My name is Marrissa Kwok, the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library's Junior Friends President. The Library strategic planning Taskforce consists of people of all different backgrounds, all of who hold different responsibilities of the community to keep Monterey Park thriving. My voice in this strategic plan is one that speaks for all teens in the community, and it relays our needs and desires for the library and the city. We find it critical that all age groups and people of different backgrounds are represented and heard. I strongly believe that as the new generation of Monterey Park residents, we are able to inspire change.

This strategic plan is the cumulative document in which all voices can be heard, regardless of racial, financial, or ethnic background. It has the power to better the city's community resources and create a more diverse and welcoming environment that accentuates the strength and unity of the city. In order to keep our community safe and prospering, we must listen to the people and provide a future for Monterey Park that will thrive with diversity and change.

Sincerely,  
Marrissa Kwok

## MP Clerk

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**From:** Evelina Fernandez <evelinafern@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 12, 2023 9:53 PM  
**To:** MP Clerk  
**Subject:** SUPPORT FOR ITEM 3-C BRUGGEMEYER LIBRARY STRATEGIC PLAN

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Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

My name is Evelina Fernandez and I am a proud resident of Monterey Park. I am writing to show my support of the Library's Strategic Plan because the library is an important institution in our community. It is a calm and peaceful place where children and adults alike can acquire and share knowledge.

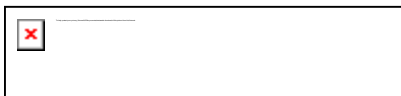
The library has been responsive to the community's needs throughout Covid by adjusting their services to keep us safe, and now in the aftermath of the mass shooting, they have pivoted to providing resources to help us heal.

Our library is an essential center in our city that we need now more than ever.

Please vote to approve Item 3-C the Library's Strategic Plan. Thank you.

Evelina Fernandez - Monterey Park Resident

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**From:** Tara Kwan <tarakwantk@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2023 9:07 PM  
**To:** MP Clerk  
**Subject:** Support for Item 3-C Bruggemeyer Library Strategic Plan

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Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

My name is Tara and I am a long-time resident of Monterey Park. I am writing in support of the Library's Strategic Plan since Bruggemeyer Library is such an important gathering and learning space within our community. I recall childhood days where I spent hours reading for the summer reading programs, conducting research for school projects, studying, and volunteering.

The library is such an important institution that has been present for us during the COVID-19 pandemic as well as supporting the healing process after the mass shooting.

I have been impressed by how the library has voted to remove late fees to be more equitable and more tech-friendly such as by offering mobile hotspots to borrow. The mobile hotspot is extremely useful and appreciated as a student!

Please vote to approve Item 3-C the Library's Strategic Plan. Thank you for your support of the library.

Sincerely,

Tara Kwan

## MP Clerk

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**From:** Linda Tang <ltang33@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 14, 2023 4:13 PM  
**To:** MP Clerk  
**Subject:** RE: SUPPORT FOR ITEM 3-C BRUGGEMEYER LIBRARY STRATEGIC PLAN

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Dear Mayor and Councilmembers,

As a lifelong community member in Monterey Park, I am writing to show my strong support for the Library's Strategic Plan and to urge the City to please **approve Item 3-C the Library's Strategic Plan**. Bruggemeyer Library is a valuable public resource in our community and we must do everything we can to keep it that way.

Growing up in an extremely low-income household, the library provided a free and safe space for me and my family to learn, do our homework and access resources (i.e., computer literacy) that was not offered anywhere else. During the summer when we had nothing else to do, the library saved us from boredom. Every year, we were all very excited to participate in the summer reading program. For us, reading was a gateway to endless adventures. Eventually, these adventures became reality when I started traveling. My book check-outs shifted from Beverly Cleary, Roald Dahl and R.L. Stein books to the Library's wonderful Lonely Planet travel book collection. Recently, these reading adventures have been passed down to my daughter and she is reaping the benefits of it. The sheer excitement that she gets when we participate in the library's storytime at Barnes Park during the warmer months is priceless.

In addition, the library has been very responsive to the community's needs throughout Covid by adjusting their services to keep us safe, and now in the aftermath of the mass shooting, they have pivoted to providing resources to help us heal.

It is without a doubt that the library's services and support help make Monterey Park a stronger community. **Please approve Item 3-C the Library's Strategic Plan.**

Sincerely,

Linda Tang

**MPCLerk**

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**From:** gmoss21@charter.net  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2023 8:03 AM  
**To:** MPCLerk  
**Subject:** Opposition to Item 4A Increasing Allowable Uses in Central Business (C-B) Zoning District

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Dear Ms. Yee,

On my behalf, please read the following italicized statement at the next city council meeting concerning Item 4A, when the council makes oral statements available for this agenda item. Thank you.

*"I am writing to express my support for a ban on business offices using ground level office space in the city. I believe this ban would provide a much-needed opportunity for small businesses and restaurants to thrive in our community.*

*Small businesses are the backbone of our economy and provide a unique character to our city. However, the current trend of offices taking up valuable ground level space is making it difficult for small businesses to find the space they need to succeed. This is especially problematic for restaurants, which rely on foot traffic and visibility to attract customers. By reserving ground level spaces for small businesses and restaurants, we can create a vibrant and diverse commercial landscape that benefits everyone in our community.*

*In addition, the presence of small businesses and restaurants can enhance the overall quality of life for residents by providing a variety of shopping and dining options, creating a sense of community, and generating local jobs. By making it easier for these businesses to establish themselves, we can contribute to the growth and prosperity of our city.*

*I strongly urge the city council to take action on this issue and implement a ban on business offices using ground level office space. This ban would be a positive step towards creating a more livable and thriving city, and I believe it would be supported by the majority of residents in Monterey Park.*

*Sincerely,*

*Gregory Moss"*

## Trang, Cindy

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**From:** Bow, Ron  
**Sent:** Monday, February 13, 2023 2:50 PM  
**To:** Trang, Cindy  
**Cc:** Serrano, Jessica; Alvarez, Inez  
**Subject:** FW: Opposition to Item 4A Increasing Allowable Uses in Central Business (C-B) Zoning District

Hi Cindy - The below email was sent to the Mayor and some of the other CC Members. Please include this into the 4A agenda.

Ron Bow  
City Monterey Park  
City Manager  
320 W. Newmark Ave.  
(626)307-1255

**From:** [gmooss21@charter.net](mailto:gmooss21@charter.net)  
**Date:** February 13, 2023 at 7:49:26 AM PST  
**To:** "Sanchez, Jose" <[josanchez@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:josanchez@montereypark.ca.gov)>  
**Subject:** **Opposition to Item 4A Increasing Allowable Uses in Central Business (C-B) Zoning District**  
**Reply-To:** [gmooss21@charter.net](mailto:gmooss21@charter.net)

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Dear Mayor Sanchez,

I am writing to express my support for a ban on business offices using ground level office space in the city. I believe this ban would provide a much-needed opportunity for small businesses and restaurants to thrive in our community.

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I strongly urge the city council to take action on this issue and implement a ban on business offices using ground level office space. This ban would be a positive step towards creating a more livable and thriving city, and I believe it would be supported by the majority of residents in Monterey Park.

Thank you for considering my proposal. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Gregory Moss

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**From:** Joe Buonya <joebuonya@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 14, 2023 5:31 PM  
**To:** Lo, Henry; Yiu, Yvonne; Ngo, Vinh T.; Wong, Thomas; Sanchez, Jose; MPCLerk  
**Subject:** Opposition to Item 4A Increasing Allowable Uses in Central Business (C-B) Zoning District

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Thank you for considering my proposal. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

**Joe Buonya**  
[626-328-6752](tel:626-328-6752)

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**From:** Chuck Sam <cmstax@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 14, 2023 5:59 PM  
**To:** Lo, Henry; Yiu, Yvonne; Ngo, Vinh T.; Wong, Thomas; Sanchez, Jose; MPClerk  
**Subject:** Opposition to Item 4A Increasing Allowable Uses in Central Business (C-B) Zoning District

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Thank you for considering my proposal. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,  
Chuck

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## MP Clerk

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**From:** Branden Sam <karenquachsam@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 14, 2023 6:01 PM  
**To:** Lo, Henry; Yiu, Yvonne; Ngo, Vinh T.; Wong, Thomas; Sanchez, Jose; MPClerk  
**Subject:** Opposition to Item 4A Increasing Allowable Uses in Central Business (C-B) Zoning District

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Thank you for considering my proposal. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,  
Karen

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**From:** Christine Lam <cc.lam@outlook.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 14, 2023 6:12 PM  
**To:** MPCLerk  
**Subject:** Opposition to Item 4A Increasing Allowable Uses in Central Business (C-B) Zoning District

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Sincerely,  
Christine Lam  
Monterey Park  
District 4