

LARA WEISIGER

From: Kendra Meuser <kendrameuser@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2019 2:58 PM
To: John Knox White; Jim Oddie; Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; Malia Vella; Tony Daysog
Cc: LARA WEISIGER; Eric Levitt; Michael Sturtz; info@cihall.org; Amos White; Paul Meuser
Subject: Carnegie Innovation Hall Lease Agreement

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Dear Mayor Ashcraft and Alameda City Council members,

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My best to each of you,

Kendra Meuser

LARA WEISIGER

From: Amos White <amoswhite3@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2019 2:01 PM
To: Ingrid Ballmann; Eric Levitt; info@cihall.org; John Knox White; Jim Oddie; LARA WEISIGER; Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; Malia Vella; Tony Daysog
Cc: Michael Sturtz
Subject: RE: Carnegie Innovation Hall Lease Agreement

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Respectfully submitted,

AMOS WHITE
COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD CHAIR
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LARA WEISIGER

From: nicole kidd <nicole@nicolekidd.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2019 10:53 AM
To: LARA WEISIGER
Subject: Please CONFIRM CARNEGIE INNOVATION HALL'S LEASE

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Good morning, Mrs. Weisinger:

I have lived in Alameda since 1991. I am thrilled by the new energy we are feeling across our city center and community in general.

I am **here as the AUSD CTE Industry Advisory Chairperson and heard of Michael Sturtz's Carnegie Innovation Hall (CIHall) plan at the last annual CTE meeting, hosted by Felicia Vargas.**

I am thrilled at the prospect of revitalizing this historical gem which has sat sadly abandoned for the past 20 years!

I am electrified to think we can potentially utilizing this elegant 1902 edifice for first-class music venue/performances, and theater/sound production related educational classes (such as production design/sound design) that our high school students & citizens can attend in the future.

- **Have you heard the acoustics of this place?** Jaw dropping music venue, Watch  [#music](#) "Du bist die Ruh" via [Carnegie Innovation Hall](#) <https://vimeo.com/361976550> performed by: Marisa Lenhardt Patton, Dan Cantrell, and Lila Sklar - aren't they amazing? But, I am digressing.
- All use possibilities at this HALL are outlined on their website. www.CIHALL.org

But more apropos to this discussion, we saw how revitalizing the renovation of Alameda Theater in 2008 was to Alameda Downtown and the many visitors/revenues it has generated for surrounding businesses. And here too, I am reminded of the initial resistance. It's an understandable MO to resist change, but the folks who are proposing this project have done similar things successfully before and have lined up funders and other needed resources to diligently execute. (<https://carnegieinnovationhall.org/team/>)

I feel CIHall will have a similar positive and community enhancing impact on our town for generations to come.

Please sign the original 66-year lease as it had been discussed for the past 6 months; a term that the funders and donors feel will allow their substantial support to be worthwhile, before the building reverts to city ownership. Moreover, I've learned when talking with Michael Sturtz (who is also an Alameda resident btw) that he plans to hire Alameda artists and tradespeople for the restoration project!

Alamedians , young and old, will thank you!

It's time that the CARNEGIE LIBRARY is rejuvenated into a CARNEGIE INNOVATION HALL that will attract entrepreneurs & performers and educate the next generation of artists.

This beautiful structure has sat empty for 20+ years..imagine what it could offer to all of us....

Thank you, Nicole (a resident of Alameda since 1991)

CI HALL: Educational Benefits <https://carnegieinnovationhall.org/uses/>

- Ongoing Educational Programming (Youth and Adult)

- Youth Summer Camps
- Youth After-school Programs
- Art Therapy and Special Ed Programs
- Alameda High School Community Access Television Station

◆ Nicole Kidd ◆

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AUSD CTE INDUSTRY ADVISORY CHAIRPERSON



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LARA WEISIGER

From: marlene mujicafill <mmujicafill@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 5:50 PM
To: LARA WEISIGER
Subject: Carnegie Innovation Hall

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Dear Lara Weisiger,

Please do everything in your power to facilitate the Lease Agreement for Carnegie Innovation Hall.

The restoration of Alameda's Carnegie Library and its transformation into the nonprofit Carnegie Innovation Hall will enrich our Island City both economically and culturally: it will become a valuable community resource. The Team spearheading this project has already proven its qualifications and expertise; I do not understand why, at this late hour, the City Council has decided to hold back on granting their Lease.

I ask you please to take into account the vast range of benefits Carnegie Innovation Hall will provide Alameda residents as well as those in neighboring areas. Please do the right thing and help facilitate this Lease.

Many thanks for your continued service and for your representation of our concerns as residents of Alameda.

Best,
Marlene Mujica-Fill
2824 Santa Clara Ave
Alameda, CA 94501

LARA WEISIGER

From: Erica Hartono Kolodny <ericahartono@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 5:18 PM
To: Eric Levitt; The Carnegie Innovation Hall; John Knox White; Jim Oddie; LARA WEISIGER; Malia Vella; Tony Daysog; Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft
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Thank you,
Erica Hartono Kolodny
Alameda Resident

LARA WEISIGER

From: Tina Presta <tinapresta@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 11:24 AM
To: City Clerk
Subject: Support Carnegie Innovation Hall

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Please support Carnegie Innovation Hall. These are the projects that enrich all our lives.
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LARA WEISIGER

From: Kevis Brownson <kevis.brownson@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 3:23 PM
To: LARA WEISIGER
Subject: Fwd: Carnegie Innovation Hall Lease Agreement

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From: **Kevis Brownson** <kevis.brownson@gmail.com>
Date: Sun, Sep 29, 2019 at 3:16 PM
Subject: RE: Carnegie Innovation Hall Lease Agreement
To: <mezzzyashcraft@alamedaca.gov>, <jknoxwhite@alamedaca.gov>, <mvella@alamedaca.gov>, <joddie@alamedaca.gov>, <tdaysog@alamedaca.gov>, <elevitt@alamedaca.gov>, <lweisiger@alamecdaca.gov>, <info@cihall.org>

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I am already on two committees for this project, Events and Historic Preservation. There is a need for an arts and performance space in the city, of this size, as right now we only have small and huge venues available. The creators of this concept have come up with a flexible plan that will serve us well.

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Thank you,

Kevis Brownson
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LARA WEISIGER

From: Cindy Miner Kapelke <cindyminer@comcast.net>
Sent: Sunday, September 29, 2019 3:10 PM
To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft; John Knox White; Malia Vella; Jim Oddie; Tony Daysog; Eric Levitt; info@cihall.org; LARA WEISIGER
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PLEASE allow this historic building a new chapter and new lease on life - it belongs to our wonderful community to be enjoyed.

Thank you for your consideration.

With sincere regards,
Cindy MK

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LARA WEISIGER

From: Jan Schlesinger <jan.chameleon@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 26, 2019 9:07 AM
To: LARA WEISIGER
Subject: Carnegie Innovation Hall Lease Agreement.

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Thank you,

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