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Mayor Ezzy Ashcraft & City Council:

I am forwarding suggested language from the Carnegie Innovation group.

Eric Levitt
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Dear Alameda City Council and City Manager:

Thank you for arranging the meeting with Andres Cluver Friday morning. The conversation made it clear that we have many values in common: We value prevailing wages. We value working with union labor. We value working with local labor. We value including apprentice work in the job.

In recognition of this commonality, we respectfully ask that the following amendment be added to the lease in lieu of a PLA:

The project sponsor, their contractor, the City and the Union shall collaborate on a prevailing wage job. They shall in good faith identify and competitively bid to union, non-union and local prevailing wage trades to the greatest extent possible.

The copy of the City / Union PLA provided to us as an example of an agreement the Union would be willing to offer to us, is overkill for a small nonprofit remodel project. Its scope, and the cost of negotiating such an agreement, implementing such an agreement, and monitoring and overseeing such an agreement is a soft cost substantially above what our nonprofit organization was led to believe it had to fundraise for and budget money and time for.

We are committed to a prevailing wage job and are committed to working with the City and the Union to identify local prevailing-wage union and non-union trades and bidding to them. A statement in the lease such as the above would achieve the same goals as a labor peace agreement without the

untenable burdens of negotiating, implementing, monitoring and overseeing such an agreement. City Council approval of such an amended lease October 15th would allow us to promptly sign and get to work fundraising and enacting this worthwhile project for the community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Marlow

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