

From: [Andrea Larson](#)
To: [Alison Van Gorp](#); [Deb Estrada](#)
Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request
Date: Tuesday, November 14, 2023 8:52:18 AM

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From: Noreen King <noreen.king9@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 2:22 PM
To: Council <council@mercergov.org>
Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

Dear Mercer Island City Council,

I'm writing to request that the Mercer Island City council places the Stroum Jewish Community Center's request to rezone their large residential land parcels to Commercial Office on the docket, with prioritization for action in 2024.

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For over 54 years, the SJCC has operated as a vital community asset. It would be a loss for the broad Mercer Island community to not support the modernization of this facility.

Further, this request affects the SJCC ONLY, and will not have any impact on any other facility or institution on the Island.

The time to support the future of the Stroum Jewish Community Center on Mercer Island is now.

Thank you for your support.

Noreen King

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From: Laura Selby <lauraselby@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 4:23 PM
To: Council <council@mercergov.org>
Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

Dear City Councilmembers,

I was an early childhood educator at the Stroum JCC for 22 years and know the importance of this institution to our community. The school has touched literally thousands of lives since it began in 1967. But the building is beyond its years and needs to be upgraded in many ways.

I am asking you to allow the J to be rezoned from residential to commercial status. The time is now!

Thank you for your support.

Laura Selby
16 Evergreen Lane, Mercer Island

From: [Andrea Larson](#)
To: [Alison Van Gorp](#); [Deb Estrada](#)
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From: Heather Kramm <hkramm@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2023 8:20 PM
To: Council <council@mercergov.org>
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Thank you for your support.
Heather kramm

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From: [Andrea Larson](#)
To: [Alison Van Gorp](#); [Deb Estrada](#)
Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request
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From: Kerry Donner <kerrysdonner@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2023 1:24 AM
To: Council <council@mercergov.org>
Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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From: [Andrea Larson](#)
To: [Alison Van Gorp](#); [Deb Estrada](#)
Subject: FW: Rezone the SJCC
Date: Tuesday, November 14, 2023 11:15:08 AM

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From: E Jimenez <sra.ejimenez@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2023 8:58 AM
To: Council <council@mercergov.org>
Subject: Rezone the SJCC

Dear Mercer Island Planning Commission,

Please recommend that the Mercer Island City Council places the Stroum Jewish Community Center's request to rezone their large residential land parcels to Commercial Office on the docket, with action taken in 2024.

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Thank you for your support.

Evelyn Jimenez

9208 SE 33 rd Street

Mercer Island, WA 98040

(Mercer Island Resident for 30 years)

Sent from my iPhone