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Date: Monday, October 30, 2023 9:08:28 AM

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From: Theresa Lieberman < theresaclieberman@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 29, 2023 5:49 PM To: Council < council@mercergov.org > Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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Sent: Sunday, October 29, 2023 8:48 PM To: Council < council@mercergov.org > Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada

Subject: FW: Stroum Jewish Community Center Re-zoning

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From: Ken Wolfe <ken@wolfedwelling.com> **Sent:** Sunday, October 29, 2023 10:44 PM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: Stroum Jewish Community Center Re-zoning

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Sincerely,

Ken Wolfe 7012 81st Avenue SE Mercer Island, WA 98040 15 year resident

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: help SJCC re-zone

Date: Monday, October 30, 2023 9:24:36 AM

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Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 8:33 AM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: help SJCC re-zone

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Sincerely,

Rachel Hyman 6924 SE Allen St, MI An Islander for over 20 years!

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: Rezone for SJCC

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From: Gloria Wolfe <gloria@wolfedwelling.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 29, 2023 10:57 PM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: Rezone for SJCC

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Sincerely,

Gloria Wolfe MI resident for 15 years

To: <u>Alison Van Gorp</u>; <u>Deb Estrada</u>

Subject: FW: SJCC rezone

Date: Monday, October 30, 2023 9:11:02 AM

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From: Nigel Maughan <nigel.maughan@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 7:56 AM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: SJCC rezone

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Thank you for your support.

Regards

Nigel Maughan MI resident

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request
Date: Monday, October 30, 2023 9:15:15 AM

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From: Bruce Anderson <bruce@mbanderson.net>

Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 8:18 AM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org> **Subject:** Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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Thank you for your support. M. Bruce Anderson – 206-397-3579 or Bruce@mbanderson.net: We have been a resident of Mercer Island since 1980.

To: <u>Alison Van Gorp</u>; <u>Deb Estrada</u>

Subject: FW: JCC remodel!

Date: Tuesday, October 31, 2023 9:07:13 AM

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From: Stephanie King <stephaniedbartley@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 6:23 PM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: JCC remodel!

Dear Mercer Island City Council,

Given this is a prewritten letter below, even though it does a great job of recapping my feelings about this project, I want to add a personal note because this really matters to me. Our youngest daughter attended pre-school at the JCC, learned to swim in that pool, and was my very first attempt at getting a trainer to get in shape, oh and I met my very best "mom friend". So as someone who loved what the JCC brought to our community as a parent on the island I just want to reiterate that it would be amazing to have a wonderful remodeled JCC as a community asset!

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Sincerely,

Stephanie & Matt King (one of us was born and raised on the island and the other is 17+ years)

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request
Date: Tuesday, October 31, 2023 12:59:39 PM

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From: crawfb < crawfb@comcast.net>

Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2023 11:25 AM

To: Planning Commission <Planning.Commission@mercergov.org>

Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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Sent from my Galaxy

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request
Date: Tuesday, October 31, 2023 4:39:00 PM

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From: candis.a.miles@gmail.com <candis.a.miles@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2023 2:31 PM To: Council < council@mercergov.org > Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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From: Susan Tregerman <suestjcc@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 31, 2023 2:32 PM
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To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada

Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

Date: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 5:40:27 PM

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From: Gerald bernstein <g3bernste@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 10:20 AM

To: Council <council@mercergov.org> **Subject:** Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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Thank you for your support. Gerald Bernstein, M.D.

To: <u>Alison Van Gorp</u>; <u>Deb Estrada</u>

Subject: FW: SJCC

Date: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 5:40:51 PM

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From: Dana Pruchno <danapruchno@hotmail.com> Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 12:09 PM

To: Planning Commission < Planning.Commission@mercergov.org>; Council

<council@mercergov.org>

Subject: SJCC

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William and Dana Pruchno MI Residents for 21 years 7928 SE 76th St

Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada To: Subject: FW: Support SJCC remodeling

Monday, November 6, 2023 8:33:41 AM Date:

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From: Daisy Yanrui Zhang <zyr8911@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 7:18 AM

To: Council < council@mercergov.org>; Planning Commission

<Planning.Commission@mercergov.org>

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Sincerely, Yanrui Zhang 3056 61st Ave SE, Mercer Island, WA 98040 Resident since 2019

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request
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Barbara Rappoport Sent from my iPhone

To: <u>Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada</u>

Subject: FW: SJCC

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From: Chee San Choy <choycheesan@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, November 5, 2023 9:55 PM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: SJCC

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Thank you for your support	. Mercer Island needs newer	community facilities to	compete with
neighboring cities and stay i	relevant to today's needs.		

Sincerely,

Sandra Choy

To: <u>Alison Van Gorp</u>; <u>Deb Estrada</u>

Subject: FW: JCC revision

Date: Monday, November 6, 2023 8:34:56 AM

Comment received to Council mailbox

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From: Renee Eskenazi <renesken@comcast.net>

Sent: Sunday, November 5, 2023 8:19 PM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: JCC revision

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely, Renee Eskenazi Mercer Island resident 27 years in total, to date Sent from my iPhone

To: <u>Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada</u>

Subject: FW: Stroum Jewish Community Center **Date:** Monday, November 6, 2023 8:46:38 AM

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From: Sharon Lott <sharonlot@aol.com> Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 8:40 AM

To: Planning Commission < Planning. Commission@mercergov.org>

Subject: Stroum Jewish Community Center

Hello, my husband and I and our family have lived on the island for over 46 years. My two sons and their families now live on the island. Our parents lived on the island, and our siblings still live on the island. My husband was born here. For the past 54 years we have been members of the SJCC. It provided camaraderie and exercise for our parents, preschool and afterschool activities for our children and grandchildren, and a place of community and safety for us all. It is in dire need of repair and rebuilding. Please consider rezoning so we can continue the tradition of community and care for us and our family. Thank you for listening and please help to make the island a better, happier and safer place to live. Thank you again, Marty and Sharon Lott.

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada

Subject: FW: Please rezone the SJCC to Commercial Office property now!

Date: Tuesday, November 7, 2023 10:49:06 AM

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From: Alan Waldbaum <alanwaldbaum@hotmail.com>

Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 8:59 PM **To:** Council <council@mercergov.org>

Subject: Please rezone the SJCC to Commercial Office property now!

Dear Mercer Island City Council,

I am 54 years old and practically grew up at the Stroum Jewish Community Center (SJCC). I went to pre-school there, I took swimming lessons there, I did gymnastics there, I played youth basketball there, I did BBYO there, I have always worked out there (even when I attended UW - because the IMA used to be so crowded back then!), I met my wife there, my kids attended pre-school there, did JExplorers and go to BBYO now. It is the heart of the Jewish people in the Seattle area -- and it needs your support. At a time when Antisemitism is rearing its ugly head everywhere -- we hope that Mercer Island will continue to stand as a beacon of light and a place where the Jewish people can feel safe.

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. For my entire life, the SJCC has served Mercer Island residents with programs for all people -- not just Jewish people -- of all ages, all races, all economic backgrounds, all ethnicities. However, this building is old, is not ADA compliant, needs a working HVAC system and it features a swimming pool that is long past its usefulness.

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Thank you for your support.

Alan Waldbaum (206-853-7796)

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada

Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

Date: Thursday, November 9, 2023 12:30:10 PM

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From: Ingrid Eisenman <ilahti@me.com> Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 6:18 PM To: Council <council@mercergov.org> Subject: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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Sent from my iPhone

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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From: Eric Monsowitz <ericmonsowitz@hotmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 6:44 PM

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Eric

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada
Subject: FW: Rezone for SJCC

Date: Thursday, November 9, 2023 12:31:15 PM

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From: Kalai Socha-Leialoha <kalai@socha.com> Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 6:50 PM

To: Council < council@mercergov.org>

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Sincerely, Kalai Socha-Leialoha

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To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada

Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

Date: Thursday, November 9, 2023 12:31:47 PM

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Thanks,Pallu Sent from my iPhone

To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada

Subject: FW: Stroum JCC Rezone Request

Date: Thursday, November 9, 2023 12:32:13 PM

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From: Sallye Gilbert <18gil49@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, November 8, 2023 7:15 PM

To: Council <council@mercergov.org> **Subject:** Stroum JCC Rezone Request

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