

Karri Anderberg

From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 10:52 AM
To: Sara Kuhl; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Support for the library inclusion in the budget

Thank you for taking time to share your thoughts with me as a council member.

Kind regards,

Lisa

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From: Sara Kuhl <sarajkuhl424@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 9:52 AM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Support for the library inclusion in the budget

Hi Lisa,

Just a quick note to encourage you to support the inclusion of the funding for the library in the upcoming city budget. I know you understand the power of our local library and how much it does to support our community. As a library user and supporter of the capital campaign, I hope that our community can move forward with this important project.

Best,

Sara

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From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 10:54 AM
To: Lindsey Meisner
Cc: City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Whitewater Library Support

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From: Lindsey Meisner <lindseymeisner@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 10:23 AM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Whitewater Library Support

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Good Morning-

I am writing as a contributor to the **Promoting Learning; Engaging the Community** businesses Capital Campaign in support for the expansion of the Whitewater Library. The renovated library will add even more value to the Whitewater community. It will offer more space and features where people can connect, read, learn, create, and feel welcome. There will be 4,400 square feet of additional space and the current space will be re-designed to be more welcoming and accommodate new features. As a mother with 3 small children, we frequent the library often & having this expansion & update would greatly benefit our experience as well as bring others to the area for the improvements as well. Please approve the expansion into the budget for 2024!

Thank you for your consideration.

Thanks,
Lindsey Meisner
lindseymeisner@hotmail.com
Cell: 920-723-7801

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From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 11:02 AM
To: Jim Winship; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Irvin L. Young Memorial Library Capital Campaign

Thank you for making time to send this communication.

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From: Jim Winship <jim.winship@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2023 7:41 AM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Irvin L. Young Memorial Library Capital Campaign

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Lisa, we want to thank you for your service to the City of Whitewater. Like you, we are committed to making Whitewater a great place to live and work.

Over the past year we've worked to fulfill the promise of a newly renovated public library and we are writing with good news!

The City challenged the community to raise the matching funds for the library expansion/ transformation projects. We needed to raise \$3,000,000. Utilizing previous donations and the sale of properties that the library owned, the fundraising goal was \$2,225,000. As of last week, we have successfully raised over \$2,300,000 in gifts and pledges in less than 12 months thanks to more than 260 donors. Our Committee has fulfilled their charge!

Our community has supported the Capital Campaign in an historic fashion and we are pleased that the City's commitment for funding the library is included in the 2024 budget. To further illustrate Whitewater's support of the capital campaign, attached please find a list of campaign donors. These supporters are from all walks of life and live in every neighborhood in our City as well as those living outside the city limits. Looking through the list, you will see the names of friends, neighbors, and constituents. These supporters have made the commitment to ensure that the Irvin L. Young Library's physical footprint is transformed to support learners of all ages.

If you have any questions about the campaign, the renovation itself, or the Library's bright future, please contact me-- Jim Winship, the Capital Campaign Chair at 262-215-1492/ jim.winship@gmail.com.

Kind regards,

The Capital Campaign Leadership Committee:

Doug Anderson
Brienne Brown
Kelly Davis
Richard Haney
Anne Hartwick
Jon Kachel
Ginger Katzman

Jennifer Motszko
Gayle Stettler
Jim Winship

Donor List (10/26/2023)

Amy Curtis
Amy Green Fienga
Anna Vo
Anne Hartwick
Arlene Newhouse
Ashleigh Bruns
Atlee & Julie Svanoe
Aurelio & Diana Callope
Banco Insurance Agency
Barbara Bren
Barbara Jean Bromley
Barbara Penington
Barbara Vodak
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Ginger Katzman
Glenn Hayes
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Hans Hahn
Harry & Barb Essock
Heather Kuhl

Holly Crowley
Hope Winship
Isabel & John Erickson
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James Mulcahy
Jan Bilgen
Janet Muzatko
Janie Anderson
Jay Craggs
Jean Truesdale
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Kay Drexler
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Kerri Kachel
Kevin and Nancy Brunner
Kim Simes
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Kristine S Cameron
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Laura Masbruch
Lauree Miller
Lauren Smith
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Linda Loomer
Linda Robinson
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Marjorie Stoneman
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Mary Beth Byrne
Mary Dalee
Mary Mawhinney
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Michael & Laura Grubb
Michael Annessi
Molly Fuller
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Monica Brown
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Ryan & Kathryn Weston
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Sally Neustedter
Sara Kuhl
Sarah French
Sarah Hoots
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Shannon Frye
Sharon Martin
Sharon McCullough
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Wallace & Kimberlee McDonell
Whitewater Cinemas
Whitewater Lions Club
Women of WUSD
Woody & Lynn Coyle

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From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 11:55 AM
To: rich3004@yahoo.com; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Library funding

Thank you for making time to share your thoughts with me as a member of the council.

Kind regards,

Lisa

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From: Richardson Dan <rich3004@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 11:37 AM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Library funding

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Lisa,
I support Whitewater CityCouncil following through on its portion of the funding for the pending library expansion.
Dan Richardson
445 W Center St
Whitewater, WI 53190

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPad

Karri Anderberg

From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 11:56 AM
To: Jennifer Motszko; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Funding the ILYML renovation/expansion

Thank you for taking time to send your thoughts to me as a council member.

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From: Jennifer Motszko <jennifer.motszko@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 11:52 AM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Funding the ILYML renovation/expansion

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Hello:

I am writing to express my support of the Common Council including funding for the Irvin L. Young Memorial Library addition and renovation in the 2024 budget.

When I moved to the community 5 years ago, days ahead of the moving truck that was transporting my belongings from North Carolina, the library was the first place that I visited. Not because I needed books, but because I needed "the space and the stuff to do the things that you want." (Irvin L. Young Memorial Library mission). I needed access to a computer and the internet in order to set up utilities, arrange for service calls, complete forms for my new job at UW-Whitewater, and connect with my friends and family. Long story short, it was the first place that welcomed me into the community.

This long overdue expansion and renovation of the library will improve the space to allow more than a few families to gather for storytime; to provide meeting spaces for groups, clubs, and community activities; to increase the size of the makerspace; and to improve the first impression that visitors and new community members receive.

Libraries are the great equalizers. To quote the American Libraries Association's Declaration for the Right to Libraries. "Libraries serve people of every age, education level, income level, ethnicity and physical ability. For many people, libraries provide resources that they could not otherwise afford – resources they need to live, learn, work and govern."

I encourage you to vote for the library expansion in the 2024 budget.

Thank you,
Jennifer Motszko
President, ILYML Board of Trustees
1036 W. Hillview Dr. #204C

Karri Anderberg

From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2023 11:22 AM
To: MARGIE STONEMAN; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Please vote YES and support the Whitewater Public Library Renovations

Thank you for sharing your thoughts with me as a member of the elected body.

Kind regards,

Lisa

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From: MARGIE STONEMAN <margiestoneman@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2023 11:17 AM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Fw: Please vote YES and support the Whitewater Public Library Renovations

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Dear Common Council Member Lisa Dawsey Smith:

As a resident of the City of Whitewater, 393 Eagle Court, I am writing to urge you to approve the City's 2024 budget that includes borrowing for the library expansion/transformation as part of the overall Capital Improvement borrowing. The \$3,000,000 for the library in the City's 2024 budget was endorsed by staff and the Finance Director. The Council Finance Committee recommended the library borrowing unanimously.

The Whitewater Common Council presented the library with a challenge in 2021 to raise half of the \$6 million needed for a renovation and expansion of the library, with the Council borrowing the other half in January 2024 if the library completed the fundraising in time. The Library Capital Campaign has raised more than \$2,300,000 to be added to the library reserves of \$840,000.

The library renovations will strengthen our community and make it a better place to live, learn and work. First, the library will be expanding early learning areas, including play centers and places for children to gather. Second, survey results show that people want space to be together and learn from each other, whether it be book groups, study groups, etc. Library planners have listened and will be providing larger meeting rooms with collapsible walls. Third, the community has asked for a larger Makerspace area, which will accommodate a 3-D printer, a sewing machine, a laser dye cut

machine, and more. In addition, the youth area will be expanded to give youth more study space. There will be additional accessibility to materials and the opportunity for community residents to learn the latest technology, among other valuable skills.

Please support the library expansion and the community members who have said YES to library renovations, as proven by the financial commitments of individuals and businesses in our community

Thank you,

Marjorie Stoneman
393 Eagle Court
Whitewater, WI 53190
414 861 4126

Karri Anderberg

From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2023 11:25 AM
To: Kathy Ross; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: City's contribution to the Library expansion

Thank you for sharing your thoughts with me as a member of the elected body.

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From: Kathy Ross <kathymross@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2023 12:47 PM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: City's contribution to the Library expansion

Lisa, I am emailing to ask your support for the Library expansion by voting for the City budget that includes the \$3,000,000 needed for this project. I am one of more than 260 area residents who have contributed to the Library's Capital Campaign. That \$2,300,000 is, I believe, proof that our community expects the City to provide its share as we were challenged to do in 2021.
Please vote for the Library Expansion-thank you.

Kathy M Ross
881 Burr Oak Trail
Whitewater WI 53190
(262) 472-0154

"If you have a book, you are never alone."

Karri Anderberg

From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 7:05 AM
To: LINDA HEESCH; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Library Funding

Thank you for making time to share your opinion with me as a member of the elected body.

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From: LINDA HEESCH <ljheesch@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 2, 2023 8:24 PM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Library Funding

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Good evening,

My name is Linda Heesch. As one of my at-large representatives, I am requesting that you honor the Common Council's commitment to fund their portion of the library project.

Thanks
Linda Heesch
187 S Locust Lane
Whitewater

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From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 7:06 AM
To: Sarah Hoots; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: Library Expansion

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From: Sarah Hoots <hootyhoots@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, November 3, 2023 9:07 AM
To: David Stone <dstone@whitewater-wi.gov>; Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>; James Allen <JAllen@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Library Expansion

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Dear Common Council Members,

Please support the full funding of the library expansion in the 2024 budget. I am a resident(ward 2), I have 4 young children, and we visit the library at least 2 times per week. We visit even more often in the winter, because the library is the only indoor space in Whitewater where children can come to play without the expectation to spend money. The planned expansion greatly improves the children's area, which will allow more families to enjoy the space simultaneously.

Everyone is feeling the squeeze of this economy, and I realize our city budget will likely also reflect that. For my family, while we can barely afford groceries, we still found room in our budget to pledge \$1,000 to the library expansion. Library supporters have done their part to raise over \$2,300,000. Now we are asking that the Council please do the same, hold up to your 2021 agreement to support the expansion of OUR library.

Sincerely,
Sarah Hoots

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From: Lisa Dawsey Smith
Sent: Monday, November 6, 2023 7:09 AM
To: Janie Anderson; City Clerk Staff
Subject: Re: city council funding for Library

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From: Lisa Dawsey <ldawsey06@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 5, 2023 6:46 AM
To: Lisa Dawsey Smith <LDawseySmith@whitewater-wi.gov>
Subject: Fwd: city council funding for Library

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From: Doug & Janie Anderson <janieflbe2@gmail.com>
Date: Sat, Nov 4, 2023, 4:26 PM
Subject: city council funding for Library
To: Jill Gerber <jgerber@whitewater-wi.gov>, Lisa Dawsey Smith <ldawsey06@gmail.com>, <JAllen@whitewater.gov>
Cc: Jim Winship <jim.winship@gmail.com>

Jill,

I am having a hard time wrapping my head around the idea that the current city council may not support the previous council's approval of the three million dollar city contribution to the funding of the library expansion. The library board has waited over 20 years to get this project designed, approved, and funded. Our committee committed fully to raising our share of the cost in good faith with the community which responded whole heartedly to the obvious need for this project and the previous council's approval of our plans.

I am hoping that you will be able to support our project. I am not sure exactly what your position on this issue is. I am aware the city has a lot of irons in the fire, I am not sure this will be the correct iron to pull from the fire and let it go cold. Unless this project is given the go ahead at this time when the interest in the renewal is at an all time high among the community members, we may have to wait another twenty years for it to proceed. At the least, the costs will increase with every year that passes before another council will recognize the benefits this renewal will bring to the community.

I hope that you and the other council members will be able to recognize the importance this community has placed on this project, they voted with their wallets with the expectation that the city was going to follow through. Please don't make the donors feel that they can't trust the city council as a body to honor a commitment from one election to another. I don't believe anyone ran for the council with the slogan, "Let's stop the Library Renewal and Expansion."

Please vote to honor the previous council's commitment to our community.

Doug Anderson
Library Board Member.