Pearson, Alene

From: Allen Barth <allen.barth@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 2:19 PM

To: Pearson, Alene; friends-of-adeline@googlegroups.com

Subject: Yes: Demand City take action on displacement in Adeline Corridor plan -- March 6

Planning Commission meeting

Hello.

I am a South Berkeley resident keeping informed by the efforts of the Friends of Adeline. I am planning to attend this meeting to express these opinions:

The Adeline corridor plan will accelerate displacement in our community unless real action is taken, including:

- 50 percent of all new housing built in the plan area must be affordable, at all levels of affordability, including for residents with no income.
- A right to return for African Americans and low-income people who have been pushed out of our neighborhood, or cannot afford to live here.

At the Planning Commission meeting this Wednesday, the city must answer these important questions:

- 1. How will the city reverse the displacement of low-income and people of color from our neighborhood?
- 2. How will permanently affordable, low-income housing be prioritized in the plan, on both publicly- and privately-owned land?
- 3. How will the city ensure new investments in the community serve existing low-income residents and people of color, and unhoused people in our community?
- 4. How will these policies be implemented and enforced -- as in, actually make a difference in people's lives?

Our community deserves the same level of investment and protection as other parts of Berkeley. The city must take action to ensure new development benefits low-income residents, people of color, and African Americans in particular, as reparations for past and ongoing harm.

Thank you, Allen Barth

Pearson, Alene

From: Ariana Thompson-Lastad <arianajl@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 9:55 AM

To: Pearson, Alene

Subject: please use Adeline Corridor plan to prevent displacement

Dear Ms. Pearson,

I write to you as a resident of Southwest Berkeley and a health researcher aware of the detrimental affects of displacement on individual and community health. For many years, the city's policies and practices in South Berkeley have resulted in displacement of low-income people and people of color in this part of the city. Recent examples include attempts to take the home of an African American family over fixable code violations, and approving new projects in our neighborhood with no low-income housing. The city is able to pass and enforce laws that take people's homes and criminalize unhoused people in our community, and needs to pass policies that actually help people stay and live in our community. The Adeline corridor plan will accelerate displacement in our community unless real action is taken, including but not limited:

- 50 percent of all new housing built in the plan area must be affordable, at all levels of affordability, including for residents with no income.
- A right to return for African Americans and low-income people who have been pushed out of our neighborhood, or cannot afford to live here.

At today's Planning Commission meeting, the city must answer these important questions: How will the city reverse the displacement of low-income and people of color from South Berkeley? How will permanently affordable, low-income housing be prioritized in the plan, on both publicly- and privately-owned land? How will the city ensure that new investments in the community serve existing low-income residents and people of color, as well as currently unhoused people? How will these policies be implemented and enforced to improve people's lives?

South Berkeley deserves the same level of investment and protection as other parts of Berkeley. The city must take action to ensure new development benefits low-income residents, people of color, and African Americans in particular.

Sincerely, Ariana Thompson-Lastad 2412 10th St. Berkeley, 94710

Pearson, Alene

From: Darryl Bartlow <dblow1965@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 6:01 PM

To: Pearson, Alene

Subject: Enough is enough. Stop the planned and executed plan of gentrification in South

Berkeley. Do not marginalize and disenfranchise the African American citizens. Thank

you.