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**Subject:** FW: Saving the Balboa Reservoir for City College

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**Subject:** Saving the Balboa Reservoir for City College

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Dear Ms. Poling,

The proposed plan to sell the lower Balboa Reservoir to a private developer to build housing would be a disaster for City College. Three times already, in 1987, 1988 and 1991, San Francisco voters defeated propositions that would have sold this land to private developers. The will of the people is clear: City College needs this land, and all of us need City College. Mayor Agnos even said in 1991: "Housing will never be built on this land." So why do we have to fight this threat again?

The proposed housing would cost City College over a thousand parking spaces, thus denying access to education to thousands of CCSF students who cannot attend classes unless they drive. The typical CCSF student is a part-time student, meaning that s/he needs to drive in order to be able to juggle a job (or two jobs), family responsibilities and classes. Therefore eliminating parking spaces seriously limits access to education. City College is still recovering from the massive loss of students caused by the accreditation crisis; we simply cannot afford to lose more students.

In 2001 and again in 2005 San Francisco voters approved bond measures to build the Performing Arts Education Center (PAEC), which was already shovel ready in fall 2013, when the state-appointed special trustee Robert Agrella put it on hold. The college has already invested \$30 million toward its construction, including the basement (which the PAEC shares with the Multi-Use Building), which is already finished. The latest revision of the PAEC construction plan has extensively downsized the education portion of the PAEC because it would remove too many parking spots! Sufficient parking is so crucial that it is actually endangering the award-winning design of a long-needed building. City College is the only community college in California without a required auditorium. It also does not have the required facilities for students majoring in music. This is a disgrace in a city that is world-famous for performing arts.

We all know that our city needs more affordable housing, but affordable for whom? The private developers define *affordable* as \$139,000 a year, single income! But building market-rate luxury housing on land that City College clearly needs, a need affirmed by the voters three times already, is more than immoral. It's just crazy.

The best outcome to this controversy would be for the SFPUC to transfer the 'reservoir' land once and for all to the College, or at least the current lease could be extended for a 60-year contract, for the benefit of all the people of San Francisco.  
We look for your support in this outcome.

Yours truly,

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