

Dear Council Member Andrews,

My name is Darith Choub. I live at 1001 E. Hill St. # 3. I was what people called an, "at risk youth" before I started attending the Pacific Baptist Church. Since I have been to the church my life has changed. I am now a young adult working a stable job, in school to help me succeed in life and no longer a burden to society but I believe an asset.

Pacific Baptist Church has been a great help to me and other like me in our community! That is why the church must build the new building that it needs. Please, let Pacific Baptist build its new building so that it can help more people like me in our community.

Sincerely,

Darith Choub

Savonee Has  
1047 Myrtle #302  
Long Beach, Ca 90813

Mr. Dee Andrews,

My name is Savonee, and I have been attending Pacific Baptist church for years now, since I was a teenager. I am grateful for the things I've learned and for the direction I am going because of the influence of this great church. I don't know where I would be I had never walked through those doors.

I owe a great debt to this church, and am disappointed to see such a delay in all the efforts that they have put forth in getting approval to build this building. I heard that there was an appeal! I really don't think that the appeal makes sense. The parking is awesome. Our neighbors have never complained. As a matter of fact most all of them are for the project. Please reconsider and allow the church to build. They can do so much for our community! I have experienced it first hand and will continue to support our church 100%. Thank you for your time and support.

Sincerely,

Savonee Has

To Council Member Andrews:

I live here in Long Beach at 2380 Atlantic Ave, and I just started attending this church a few months ago. The members here are very kind and put a lot of effort in trying to help people. They truly care and I am grateful for such a friendly environment in which I can learn and grow in.

I've heard Pastor update us on the process of building a new building, and am excited to be a part of it, especially when the city planner approved our plans! I was disappointed when I heard that there might be some delays due to an appeal. Please reconsider. The church building drawings look so beautiful, and the parking runs so smooth. They are doing such a wonderful job, and can do more if they have a bigger building. I hope that you will help them in this process. I appreciate the work you do for our city.

Sincerely,

Rose Howard

Mr. Dee Andrews,

My family and I have been attending Pacific Baptist Church since I was in middle school. I am now 23 years old, and am indebted to PBC. They have made a huge impact in my life, in a good way! I am so thankful for what this church has done for my family and so many others just like mine. I have seen them rebuild marriages and put families back together. The people here are genuine and they care deeply for people.

I hope that you and the other city council members will allow them to build, even though there was an appeal made. Please do it for the other broken families in Long Beach that may be helped by the church. Please contact me if you have any questions. I live at 1386 Peterson Ave #C Long Beach, CA 90806.

With Much Gratitude,

Suevann Sin

12-07-2008

To Council Member Andrews.

I wanted to thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I am a member of Pacific Baptist Church and have been for quite some time now. The members are kind and put a lot of effort in helping the people of this city. The members of this church truly care for people and I am so thankful for a place in which I can learn and grow.

I recently heard about the recent meeting with our city council members. The good news about the approval of our building plans made me so excited. However, I was disappointed to hear of the appeal that has been made to the new building. I was sorely disappointed to know that there will be some delays. Please reconsider. Pacific Baptist Church has been a great help to so many people including myself. Many lives have been changed and many people are improving their quality of life. I hope that you will help them in this process. Once again thank you for your time into reading this letter. I know how time is a value to you. I appreciate all the work that you do for our city and in the area where I live.

Sincerely,

Samnang Rath  
431 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St. # B  
Long Beach, CA 90813

Dear Mr. Andrews,

My name is Kunn Tep. I live on 431 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St. # B. I do not go to Pacific Baptist church on a regular basis but my son is a faithful member. The church has been a big help to him. He has been going to the church since he was in Jr. high school. He is really involved with the church and the community outreach of the church.

I believe that the church has been a big help to my son and I want that same influence on other people's children. Please let the Pacific Baptist Church build its new building that it needs. I fully support them and their efforts to help our city.

Sincerely,

Dear Mr. Andrews,

I wanted to write and let you know how much of a blessing Pacific Baptist Church has been to me. They have helped me through a lot of tough times, and continue to encourage me to do better with my life. They have helped many people in Long Beach and the surrounding areas, and I know that the purpose for them to build this building is to reach out to more people.

It's hard to believe that someone actually appealed the decision made by the planning commissioner's meeting. The church has done everything they can to be a blessing to their neighbors and to others in Long Beach. All the neighbor love the church and have never complained about traffic or parking. Please say YES to their plans of building a new building. The church can only make this city better.

Thank You,

Rathana Bun

2373 Olive Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90806

November 7, 2008

Dear Ms. Uranga,

I have been compelled to write this letter to promote the development of the 45, 000 square foot building at Pacific Baptist Church. I currently live in Wrigley at 3258 Eucalyptus; that's 5 houses away from the church. The reverend came by to talk about the plans for the new building and has even invited me to visit on several occasions.

The development at Pacific Baptist Church is a great idea! The economy is not doing that well, and their development will more than likely bring more business to our area. They do a good job at keeping the young people busy at their church, if you drive by you will probably see some of their young people working hard.

The Planning Commission made a good choice to approve the plans for the building but since someone approved, I know that the city council must do their part.

Please take this letter into consideration as you make decisions about their new building. They are great neighbors to us and a great asset to our community! Thank you for your time.

Thank you,

Gloria Castro



P.S. They are not a parking problem either.



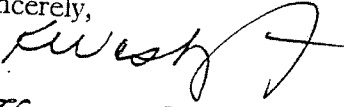
Dear Ms. Uranga,

Hello, my name is Kizzie Washington. I moved into my house, 3349 Magnolia Ave, in 1978. I live across the street from Pacific Baptist Church; they are great neighbors. I remember the tenants prior to the current ones, and Pacific Baptist Church is a definite improvement!

They take great care of their property; they have upgraded their buildings in a variety of ways. They have never caused any problems with me and I value the positive influence that they have in our neighborhood. I have been informed about their new building plans of a 45,000 square foot building and I supported and still do support their building plans.

I was thrilled to hear of the planning commissioners' approving these plans. I heard that an appeal was made and couldn't believe it. There is no reason in my mind that this extraordinary group of people shouldn't be able to build these beautifully designed buildings. I am asking that the city council approve of their plans.

Sincerely,

  
*Kizzie Washington*

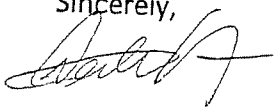
To Tonia Uranga:

I am writing on behalf of Pacific Baptist Church located at 3332 Magnolia Avenue. I own a home 6 doors away from the church. My address is 3219 Magnolia Avenue. I have resided in my home for several years and have never had any negative interaction from the church whatsoever. In fact, I am happy to see the property being so well maintained.

I am in favor of seeing their 45,000 foot expansion. Based upon my past experience with this church I do not foresee any problems with the planned expansion. It will be a good thing for our neighborhood and for our city.

It was also great to hear that the Planning Commissioners voted in favor of the new expansion. I know that 2 people did make an appeal in regards to this expansion and I hope that you will approve their plans as well. I enjoy living near the church and I look forward to seeing them build.

Sincerely,



Mr. Tech Yin

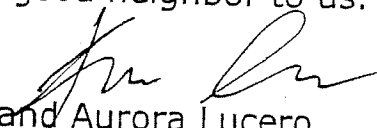
Dear Miss Tonia Uranga,

My name is Ferdinand Lucero and I live at 3331 Magnolia Ave., right across the street from Pacific Baptist Church.

I would like you to know that I am for the new building of Pacific Baptist Church. Their property on Magnolia has greatly improved our Wrigley area.

We are delighted to know that their plans were approved. We believe that the appeal made to the Planning Commission's approval was unnecessary and should be reversed. This project must be approved, again.

They are a good neighbor to us.  
Thank you

  
Ferdinand and Aurora Lucero  
3331 Magnolia Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90806

November 7, 2008

Dear City Council Member Tonia Uranga,

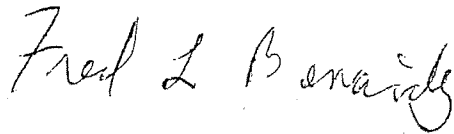
Pacific Baptist Church has been a great asset to our community. Ever since they have moved to our area, they have tried their best to meet their neighbor's needs. I live right by the church on 3261 Magnolia Ave. I have lived here for 38 years.

Pacific Baptist Church is a great neighbor. They have been tremendous in making sure that no one parks in front of our homes. I fully support their plans for a new building. In fact, I have seen their drawings and they are really nice. I know that their new building will be a benefit to our community.

I was glad when I was informed that the plans were approved. I was also quite troubled at the fact that people have tried to appeal it. As a neighbor, I see no reason why there should have even been an appeal, and again I am in strong support of the Pacific Baptist church! So please, just as the whole Planning Commission did, approve their plans!

Your Truly,

Fred Benavidez

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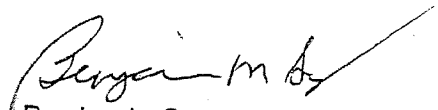
Dear Tonia Uranga,

Hello, my name is Benjamin Sy. I am a resident of Wrigley; my address is 3243 Magnolia Ave. I live across the street from the church and I have owned this property for 10 years. I enjoy my residency in Long Beach, and I appreciate Pacific Baptist Church. When they moved into the property, they immediately began working hard at improving their property.

Since living here I have received several gifts from them, like candy, cups, and magnets. I have no problems with their parking and they have sent representatives from the church to make sure of this. They are great neighbors, and I support their new building plans.

I was not surprised to hear that their building plans were supported by the Planning Commissioners. I was surprised, however, that people appealed it. Living across the street from them, I can testify that there is no reason to appeal their building plans. They were unanimously supported by the Planning Commissioners, and I encourage you to do the same.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Benjamin Sy". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and address.

Benjamin Sy  
3243 Magnolia Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90806

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in regards to the new sanctuary on Magnolia Ave. I live on 2971 Daisy with my daughter, Rena.

As far as I know, there is no other sanctuary that I know of that is more careful about how they run things than this church. It is evident that they care about how they look and how they run things. I see the people there work hard, from their parking attendants to their gardeners. I have never heard any complaints from any of my neighbors about them.

I know that they are looking to expand their sanctuary and I am very happy for them. The Planning Commission approved the plans for the new building, but an appeal was made. I ask that, on December 16th, you approve the plans for the new sanctuary.

Yours Truly,

Rory Pastor

Dear Ms. Tonia Uranga,

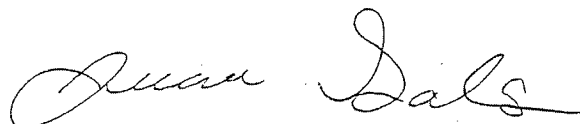
Hello, my name is Juana Salas. Since I moved into 3236 Magnolia Ave, I have come into contact with the people of Pacific Baptist Church on several occasions.

I have nothing but positive experiences to share with you. They show a sincere compassion for their neighbors like us. They have showered us with a number of gifts and I appreciate all that they do to be good neighbors. They have come by my house before to see if I have any cares or concerns with them. They have a very organized shuttle/parking system in order to prevent traffic around here during their services.

I fully support their building plans and I believe that they are a positive influence on this community. I was very happy to hear that the Planning Commissioners passed their building plans. However, due to the appeal that was made, I strongly urge you to support their building plans.

Sincerely,

Juana Salas

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Juana Salas". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name "Juana Salas".

Dear City Council Member Tonia Uranga,

I am writing regarding the proposed building project of Pacific Baptist Church. My family and I live directly across the street from the church at 3313 Magnolia Ave. We have lived here for 15 years. We are for the new church building. A few years ago Pastor Esposito personally came by our house to see if we had any parking problems. He and the church have made sure that their church people do not park in front of our house. We are glad that there is a church across the street that is a good neighbor. I am sure that if we ever have an issue that they would take care of it right away.

When I was told that the Planning Commission approved, we were both very happy. We were also quite shocked that someone appealed and is trying to stop this very wonderful group of people from building the facilities that they need.

As extremely close neighbors and Wrigley residents would ask you to approve their project as they are the type of neighbors that we want.

Levi & Dorothy Marshall

3313 Magnolia Ave.

*Mr. Levi Marshall*



Dear Tonia Uranga,

My name is Pelanato. I am writing this letter to comment on the 45,000 square foot building at Pacific Baptist Church. I am a close neighbor to the church; I live at 3254 Magnolia Ave. They are a great church and I support all that they are doing there. I believe that their church is a great asset to our community. I really appreciate their care and concerns toward us.

They do all that they can to be good neighbors. They have parking attendants during every service in order to prevent their people from parking in front of our church. People from their church have personally come by my house on several occasions. They show that they truly care about their community.

I was very excited to hear that the plans for their new buildings were approved by the planning commissioners. I was also amazed that anyone would appeal the project. I am a very close neighbor and strongly support this project.

I really appreciate all that they do and I completely support their expansion. Thank you for taking this letter into consideration.

Sincerely,

Pelanato Pelanato



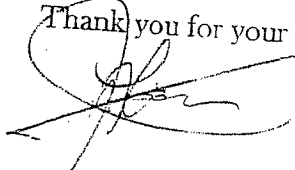
Saturday, November 22, 2008

Dear Honorable Councilwoman Uranga,

This letter is in reference to the Pacific Baptist Church building plans to construct a 45,000 square foot building in order to better accommodate their needs. I am a graduate of their school. I am a graphic designer and I own my own successful business called Jad Graphics. I contribute much of my success to the education I received at Pacific Baptist School. In addition to serving my clients, I have done a variety of graphic designing jobs for the church. I really enjoy doing what I can to be a part of their success.

Pacific Baptist Church is in great need of a new building. The church is full of good people that are friendly and family oriented. It is a great place for children, young people, and adults. I strongly encourage you to approve their building plans as they continue to reach out to their neighbors and community. The Planning Commission approved the plans, but someone made an appeal. Once again, I ask that you approve the plans.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jad Limcaco', written over a horizontal line.

Jad Limcaco

November 21, 2008

City of Long Beach  
333 West Ocean Blvd., 14<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Long Beach, CA 90802

RE: PROPOSED PACIFIC BAPTIST CHURCH BUILDING AT THE CORNER OF  
MAGNOLIA AVE. AND 33<sup>RD</sup> ST. LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA

Attn: Councilwoman Uranga

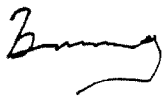
Dear Councilwoman,

With reference to the above mentioned project, I am pleased to express my gratitude to you and the City of Long Beach for allowing this proposal to be materialized and most of all to my Lord God Jesus Christ.

I am blessed to see Pacific Baptist Church grew in the grace of god. It will be a great privilege for this community to have this kind of Church who loves God and has a vision to reach-out and win lost people to the Lord, to strengthen the relationship and lives of every family, to nurture the young generation in the fear and knowledge of God and to be good citizen of this nation abiding truth. God uses this church as a tool to build a strong community to be benefit for the City and for the Nation. I am thankful to god for this church, especially the Pastor, the staffs and their families who have helped me mature and have a good sense of responsibility. I'm looking forward to the new building and more people will be touched and encouraged to live for God. A faithful man shall abound with blessings.

Your kind consideration and approval for the proposal is much appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

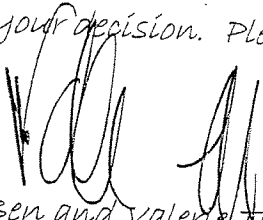


Donna Rallonza  
Architectural Designer  
KKE Architects, Inc.  
626-241-2035

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

Hello, my name is Valerie Tubaces. My husband and I heard about the upcoming meeting with the city council regarding the new building of Pacific Baptist Church. I just wanted to let you know that they have been good neighbors for us. They never park in front of our house and they are always kind, such as giving a coffee cup with candy in it.

Anyhow, I know that the new building will be a great asset to our community; especially since they have always been great neighbors to us. Please consider the voice of us, their very own neighbors; as you make your decision. Please do what's best for us. Thank you!



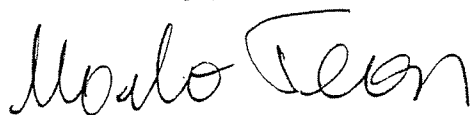
Ben and Valerie Tubaces  
3226 Eucalyptus Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90806

Councilwoman Uranga,

Hello. My name is Marcelo Teran and I just wanted to give you my opinion about the new building at Pacific Baptist Church (3332 Magnolia Ave). I live down the street from them, and I can honestly say that I have had no problems with these people. They have been great neighbors and I appreciate all the precautions that they take in order to prevent people from parking in front of my house.

I am in favor of the new building that they are endeavoring to build and I encourage you to vote in favor of the new building. They are a great church to have in our neighborhood. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcelo Teran". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Marcelo Teran

November 7, 2008

City Council Member Tonia Uranga,

We are Mike and Leslie Gonyea. I live directly in front of the church's south property line where the new building will be built, on the corner of Eucalyptus and 33<sup>rd</sup>. I am the church's closest neighbor (south side). I can say that Pacific Baptist Church has been a good neighbor. Pastor Esposito has talked to us on more than one occasion about the details of their new building expansion. I am very happy about the agreement that Pacific Baptist Church made with my wife and me. They have agreed to plant trees on our property and do some other exterior work to help us with our privacy from their new second floor.

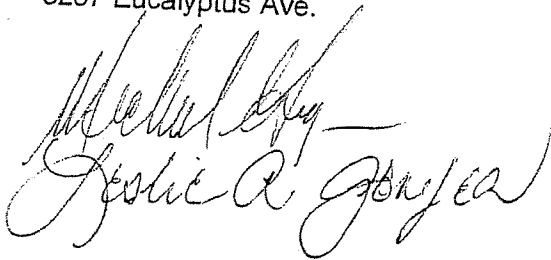
The proposed solution of the work described below will conciliate and privacy issues:

- Add brick cap
- Finish block wall with white stucco
- Add new maple trees every 8' (9 total) minimum of 8' tall
- Remove existing trees (3 total)
- Remove existing ground covering and replace with new grass
- Brick slab to remain
- Work permits and fees will be covered by Pacific Baptist Church
- Homeowner to maintain grass and trees

We are in full support of their 45,000 square foot building expansion. They do not give us any parking problems. In fact, they have security to make sure that their members do not park in front of our home. They are great neighbors.

We attended the meeting on October 16 and were happy to hear that the building plans approved. However, an appeal was made, which is the purpose of this letter. They are a great asset to our community. Please allow the Pacific Baptist Church to proceed with their plans.

**Mike and Leslie Gonyea**  
3267 Eucalyptus Ave.

Handwritten signatures of Mike and Leslie Gonyea. The signature for Leslie A. Gonyea is clearly legible in cursive.

To whom it may concern,

I, Andrea Dishman, have lived in the Wrigley area for the past 8 years. My family thoroughly supports the expansion of Pacific Baptist Church located at 3332 Magnolia Ave. We find that the church and their members have been a positive influence on our community. Having the people at the church could bring the property value up since it allows a different quality of life to the surrounding area.

Please allow the expansion to take place.

Respectfully Yours,

Andrea Dishman & Family  
2666 Chestnut Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90806  
562-997-6420

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a long time resident of the Wrigley Area here in Long Beach. I live next door to Pacific Baptist Church at the Magnolia Royale Senior Assisted Living Complex.

Pacific Baptist Church has been a wonderful asset to this area and to my neighborhood. They have assisted even our own facility by helping our grounds keepers with beautification of our courtyard.

I am fully aware that they are going to build a brand new auditorium and I just want you to know that I am all for it. I think it is a wonderful way to improve the area and neighborhood. I know it will be a very worthwhile opportunity for this community.

Sincerely,

Joann Christensen  
3360 Magnolia Ave # 236  
Long Beach, Ca 90806

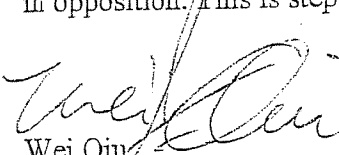


Dear Ms. Tonia Uranga,

My name is Wei Qiu and I live directly across the street from where the new Pacific Baptist Church building will be built. My address is 3319 Magnolia Ave. Ever since we moved into this house, we have had no parking problems with their church.

The pastor, Joe Esposito, has personally come by to give me the details about the project. We are impressed with our church neighbors. We used to live by a church that did give us parking problems. We are for the expansion of their 45,000 square foot building.

I hope that the City Council will approve this building project and overturn the surprising, and in my opinion, unreasonable appeal that was made by a couple of people in opposition. This is step in the right direction for our community!

  
Wei Qiu  
3319 Magnolia Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90806

Dear Miss Tonia Uranga,

Hello. First, I would like to thank you for all of the hard work that you do in order to make our city reach its potential. I take pride living in Wrigley, and I know that it wouldn't be what it is if it weren't for people like you.

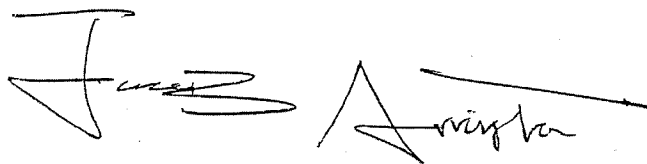
Secondly, I want to say what a pleasure it has been living by Pacific Baptist Church. I live at 3337 Magnolia Ave. My house is right across the street from Pacific Baptist Church, it is the first thing I see when walk outside. I may not be able to go to the public hearing taking place, so I am writing this letter to express my opinion. I support all that Pacific Baptist Church is doing with their new 45,000 square foot building. They are much like you because they work hard to make our community better.

Thirdly, I believe that the Planning Commission's decision to approve these plans was the right thing for them to do. I found out that a disgruntled citizen complained, and I can not believe that they appealed this project for such a wonderful church. I can't think of one reason for an appeal to be necessary. They are such great neighbors to us.

Lastly, I want to request that you, the LB City Council, approve their building plans. Their building will benefit our community in a variety of ways. Thank you for all that you do and thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Sincerely,

Jacob Arrington

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jacob Arrington". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "J" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

November 14, 2008

Dear Ms. Uranga,

This letter is about the building program of Pacific Baptist Church. I know that they are in a building program and that it needs to get approved by the City Council before they begin. I am a neighbor of them living just 2 doors away from the church at 3282 Eucalyptus. I hope you value my opinion when I say that they have done a great job over there. They are great neighbors; they always go out of their way to be great neighbors.

To prevent their people from parking in front of my house, they have a shuttle system for their congregation. Not only that, but they have parking attendants that keep everything running smoothly. They have also had some of their people come to my house to make sure their congregation is not parking in front of my house. Their pastor has come to my house to talk to me personally about their new project. I am in full support of their new building. I am not a member of that church nor do I attend that church, but I am very happy with what they are doing.

This is the second letter that I have written. I am writing it because of the appeal that was made. I strongly urge you to appeal their building plans! Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

With Gratitude,

Ephraim and Erika Suluai

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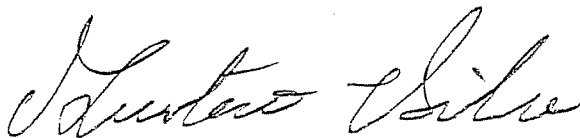
To Tonia Uranga:

My family and I live at 3307 Magnolia Ave. I really enjoy living in the Wrigley area and I plan to stay here. The purpose of this letter is to clearly state my opinion about the new 45,000 square foot building that is to be built at 3332 Magnolia Ave. I live right across the street from the church. It is the first thing I see when I come out of my house. I am completely behind their plans to expand. There is no reason why they should not expand. They are a great bunch of people and if they need a new building, then they should be able to build! They have shown great care for their property and for their neighbors. We have absolutely no parking problems with them. The pastor has come by our house several times to make sure that we have no issues with them. They are great neighbors. They drop off gifts for us annually. They are very nice people and I am very happy for them. I believe they are a positive influence for a community like ours.

I know that the Planning Commission has already put their approval on this project, but someone appealed. I don't believe there were any grounds for making the appeal. Again, I am in full support of the church, their wonderful people, and this project. It would be a wise decision for you, the Long Beach City Council, to allow these people to build.

Thank you,

Silva Family

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November 7, 2008

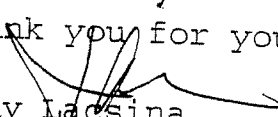
To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Rudy Lazzima and I live at 3343 Magnolia Ave., right across the street from Pacific Baptist Church. I can see the front of the church building from my window.

I would like the city to know that since Pacific Baptist Church has taken possession of the property on Magnolia, they have greatly improved our Wrigley area. It is assuring to know that we have a church in our neighborhood that is secure and well maintained.

The approval from the Planning Commission was a joy to me. I was glad that they recognized the importance of such a project. I don't know why an appeal was made, or could be made. I and so many of the church's other neighbors are in full support, urge the City council to approve, and possibly even aid in the furthering of their project.

Thank you for your time.

  
Rudy Lazzima  
3343 Magnolia Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90806

November 19, 2008

Dear Honorable Councilwoman Uranga,

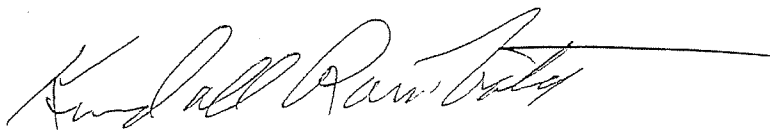
My name is Mr. Kendal Rainwater and for the past 25 years I have been a resident in Wrigley at 611 W. 34<sup>th</sup> St. As a very active resident in our community, I have been the block watch captain for my street. I want to let you know of my full support for the expansion with the new 45,000 sq. ft. building that is to be built at 3332 Magnolia Ave. Pacific Baptist Church has brightened our community in a variety of ways and if they are in need of a new building, I am behind it.

Since they have moved to their current property, they have improved it immensely. It is evident that they care about their property and our community. In addition, they are great neighbors. I have met and talked with the pastor of the church on several occasions. I really believe that their church has been an asset to the community.

I am fully aware that they are going to build a brand new auditorium and I just want you to know that I am all for it as I know the Planning Commission is. (I am aware that they have recently approved their plans) I hoped that no appeal would be made but a **needless** one was. I now ask you as the city council to approve these plans for them to build.

I think it is a wonderful way to improve the area and neighborhood. I know it will be a very worthwhile opportunity for this community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kendal Rainwater". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Mr. Kendal Rainwater

P.S. I am not concerned about the longevity of the church. I believe it will be here for a long time.

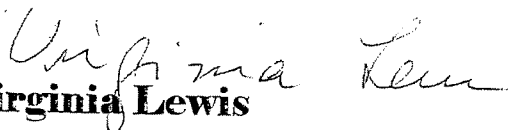
November 7, 2008

Dear Miss Tonia Uranga,

My name is Virginia Lewis and I reside in the Wrigley community. I live at 3266 Eucalyptus Ave, just 4 houses down from Pacific Baptist Church. I have lived here for 30 years. I really enjoy living in the Wrigley area. The purpose of this letter is to clearly state my opinion about the new building that is to be built at Pacific Baptist Church.

I am completely behind their plans to expand. There is no reason why they should not expand. They are a great bunch of people and if they need a new building, then they should be able to build! They have shown great care for their property and for their neighbors. They have not given me any parking problems. I support their plans for a new 45,000 sq. ft. building. I believe they will continue to be a positive influence for a community like ours.

I am glad that their plans were approved by the Planning Commissioners. I know that the decision was appealed by two people. I want to convey to you that it would be a wise decision for you, as part of the city council, to allow these people to build.

  
Virginia Lewis

November 7, 2008

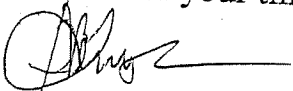
Ms. Uranga:

My wife, 2 year old son, and I live at 3243 Eucalyptus. We live just 5 doors down from Pacific Baptist Church. The people there are so very kind to our family. I remember when my wife's car broke down, the pastor there so caringly helped her with the problem. I have not ever attended their church yet, but because of their kindness I do plan to go one day.

I am happy that they are going to build a new building. I am all for it! The people at the church have never given us any trouble at all. They are very good at not parking in front of my house. Their parking attendants do a great job!

I am happy that the Planning Commission approved Pacific Baptist's plans. I do believe that the appeal was unnecessary. I hope that their plans will pass there in the City Council and that they can start building ASAP.

Thanks for your time!



Sifa and Cassandra



Greetings!

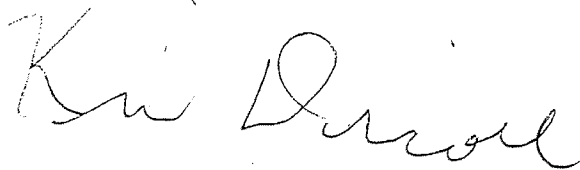
We are Dennis and Kim Driscoll. Our home is located at 3249 Eucalyptus which is just four doors down from the church. We have lived in this neighborhood and the Wrigley area for over 40 years. The Pacific Baptist Church has been such a great neighbor to us. The pastor has personally come by our home to get to know us as his neighbors. He has also showed us the drawings of the new building himself. We are all for their building project! They do such a good job with their parking and have never given us one single problem. They have never given us any reason to doubt that they will be any less good neighbors than they already are because of their new buildings or growing congregation.

We recently asked the Planning Commission to approve these plans promptly, and they did. To our knowledge two people have appealed this decision. There are hundreds of neighbors in the area (especially the area closest to the church) that are in full agreement with the Planning Commission's decision, and we do not believe that two people should be able to change the outcome of this project.

Again, we urge you to APPROVE the building plans for Pacific Baptist Church.

Sincerely,

Dennis and Kim

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kim Driscoll". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Dennis and Kim".

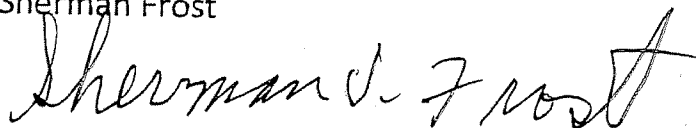
Dear Tonia Uranga,

My name is Sherman Frost. I live at 3290 Eucalyptus. I have lived here for 40 years. I am writing about the upcoming meeting for Pacific Baptist Church that I was informed of by your letter. I am for their new building at Pacific Baptist Church. I live across the street from where it will be. They do not park in front of my house and have attendants each service to make sure. They have done much to make this property so much better since they have moved in. As a long time resident I am glad to have a neighbor like this and feel like if I ever need anything they would be there for me.

It was great that the Planning Commissioners voted in favor of the new building at Pacific Baptist Church. Unfortunately, the appeal has postponed their plans some, which brings me to the purpose of this letter. I highly recommend that the new building plans at Pacific Baptist Church get approved by you, the City Council. Their congregation is a great help to our community. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Sincerely,

Sherman Frost

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sherman Frost". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Dear Honorable Councilmember Uranga,

My name is Leslie Herrera and I live two doors down from Pacific Baptist Church. My house is on the corner of Magnolia Avenue and 33d Street, so I get to see first hand of everything that goes on at the church. Parking and traffic flow is the greatest concern right now and I know that the members of the church are handling it with the utmost importance. They are requiring off site parking for some members, but most of the members do it gladly to help out. They also have parking attendants with orange vests to ensure the flow of traffic and eliminate parking in front of the houses of my fellow neighbors. It is nice to see all the work that they are doing out there and I am all for what Pacific Baptist Church is endeavoring to do as they seek to expand the church building.

Sincerely,

Miss Leslie Herrera

Honorable Councilmember Uranga,

I am a resident of Long Beach and I live at 2201 Pine. When it came to my attention that Pacific Baptist Church was expanding their building, I was truly excited for them. They are doing a great job taking care of the property that was at one point very neglected. The bushes were shabby, the paint was faded and chipping and it was appearing abandoned.

Since Pacific Baptist Church has bought the property on Magnolia, it has been a great transformation. Their arrival was evident as they began taking care of the property. The church that was nearly abandoned is now a beautiful sight. They have taken care of the current property in a great way, and I am very confident that they will continue to do so.

I see no reason why the City Council should not allow these people to expand their building. The appeal that was made shouldn't have been. Please agree with the planning commission and approve these plans!

From the Wrigley District,  
Khristi Vinod Philip

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

My wife and I and our four school age children live here in the Wrigley Area. Due to living so close to Pacific Baptist Church, just south of Spring St. on Pacific Ave., we many times would drive by the church and see how lovely and immaculate it always looks and also how clean the grounds have always been kept. The building itself helps beautify the Wrigley area. I also appreciate the members and young people of the church because of their exceptionally polite and friendly spirits.

Based on what we have seen theses past years, we fully support their plans concerning their new building. We are sure that this building will be a great asset to our community.

The plans were approved by the Planning Commission, but, sadly, someone made an appeal. We sincerely covet your support for the building project.

Sincerely,

Ross and Gladys Ballesteros

To the *Planning Commissioner* of the City of Long Beach:

Hello! My name is Ryan Ramirez. I live in the Wrigley area just two blocks from Pacific Baptist Church at 3191 Daisy. I believe that I am very privileged to live in the same neighborhood as Pacific Baptist. The members are so very friendly to all of us. They have never given me or anyone in my family one ounce of trouble since they have moved into this area. On the contrary, they go out of their way to make sure that all of the neighbors in this area are comfortable. They take special care to be sure that no members park in front of our house as well.

I am happy that the church is going to build new facilities for their growing congregation. I know that they will make our neighborhood, and especially the Wrigley area, so much more attractive. I see no reason why the City Council would not approve their project. I am looking forward to seeing their building constructed and completed.

The Planning Commission did approve the plans unanimously. Unfortunately, two people made an appeal. We ask that you approve the plans for this building.

Ryan Ramirez

To Councilwoman Uranga:

I know that there was an appeal made for Pacific Baptist Church's project. That is why I am writing you this letter. I would like to encourage you to support the church's plans to build a 45,000 sq. ft building.

I live in the 7<sup>th</sup> district and also next door to Pacific Baptist Church and I think they are just wonderful. They have a beautiful church and wonderful people.

I think the plan to build a new auditorium and gymnasium is a wonderful idea. I am for it. I hope you will let them build their auditorium. They have been wonderful for this community and they keep the area looking so beautiful, too.

Thank you for your time.

Albert Schmuck  
3360 Magnolia Ave  
Long Beach, CA 90806

Bernard and Chrisanda Stein  
2010 Maine Avenue  
Long Beach, Ca 90806  
November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman:

My husband and I moved into this neighborhood in November of 1977. Over the last 30 years we have seen many changes in the neighborhood both for the good and not so good.

One of the changes for the better has been the revitalization of Pacific Baptist Church at 3332 Magnolia Ave. We remember the older church that was there and how it was starting to become somewhat neglected. If it had not been bought and all of the current improvements made, that building would be in very poor shape now.

The main reason that I believe the new building is necessary is for the constant growth of the church. To us the new building will be a blessing. We need a church in our neighborhood. There are many of us who do not have family here in California and need a church family.

So, please think of what a thriving and active church can be for this community when considering our plans for our new building. Please help us keep our neighborhood alive and active!

Sincerely,

Chrisanda and Bernard



November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

My name is Binh Pham. I am the manager of Pho Long Beach, a Vietnamese restaurant, located on 511 W. Willow. I am aware of the 45,000 square foot expansion at Pacific Baptist Church. We are very happy for them about their new building. The Pastor is a regular customer at our restaurant and many of his members are too.

We are happy to see that their church is progressing and I believe that they will continue to be an asset to our community. I know that they will bring more business to the 7<sup>th</sup> district, where our restaurant is located. I am in full support of the building in spite of the appeal that was made by some people who don't even live near the church.

Respectfully,

Mr. Binh Pham

Dear Councilwoman,

I live at 225 W. Burnett St. It has come to my attention that Pacific Baptist Church is planning to expand their building. There are a few reasons, as their neighbor, I was very excited to hear the news.

The landscape there has improved immensely since they moved in. It is no longer a neglected run down building. Their grass is always green and nicely cut. I often see the young people working around the church on the grass, in the gardens, or sweeping around there. This is good because I can see that their church is doing a good job keeping young people off the streets.

Thanks for taking the time to read this. I am for their expansion and I wish them the best of luck.

Thank You,  
Mr. C. Sim

## DANNY AND CATHY HOR

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867 W. 34<sup>th</sup> Street #B  
Long Beach, CA. 90806  
Phone (562) 234-1719  
dchor04@yahoo.com

12/9/2008

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

My family and I would like to take this time to share with you what Pacific Baptist Church has done for our community. Hopefully I can answer some of the questions that you might have concerning their building campaign and how it will benefit the people living within the Wrigley community. We have been living in the Wrigley area for two years now, but I have been a resident of Long Beach for about ten years and my wife for about twenty four years.

Why do we support a new building? The church's current facility is clean and has beautiful landscape. The upgrade will make PBC more beautiful than what it is currently. Pastor Joe and the church staff have a loving heart for all people and are always willing to help others that are in need of it. I have received help and now help other families going through the same problems that I did. The motto of their church is helping families to help other families. One of the benefits that we enjoy greatly is the stability of our marriage for ten years and our four wonderful children.

We would like to thank you for taking your time to read this letter. Please support Pacific Baptist Church as they seek to better our community.

Sincerely,

Danny and Cathy Hor

Dear Councilwoman,

My name is Darlene Lopez. I live just a few blocks from the Pacific Baptist Church. I am a resident of the 7<sup>th</sup> District. I am writing this letter to place my "stamp of approval" on their building project. I have had many opportunities to look at the plans and am convinced that these buildings are going to be a great asset to the church but more importantly to our community as a whole. I am happy that this church that does such an excellent job at the upkeep of their present property will be able to have new buildings to facilitate their present and future needs.

Not once have I ever had one little bit of trouble or ever had any problems with any aspect of their outreach. The people have been more than friendly, the staff care for the needs and comforts of we the neighbors (especially in being very careful that their members don't park in front of our houses), and the place is spotless. I am so happy that there is a traditional organization with these values in our neighborhood and will be so happy with their expansion!

Darlene Lopez

November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

My name is David Garcia and I live at 2423 Magnolia. As a resident of this community, I am writing to encourage you to approve the plans for Pacific Baptist Church. I believe Pacific Baptist Church is a great asset to our community. Being a member of this great church myself, I know that Pacific Baptist Church's desire to build is for the better of the community. Their new building will allow them to reach more people which will in turn make better residents in our community. I have known the members of Pacific Baptist Church to be friendly, kind and always ready to lend a helping hand. I urge you once again to approve the plans for the church. Thank you for your time.

I would ask to that the appeal made by two people does slow down the church's project any longer.

Sincerely,

David Garcia

Greetings!

We are Dennis and Kim Driscoll. Our home is located at 3249 Eucalyptus which is just four doors down from the church. We have lived in this neighborhood and the Wrigley area for over 40 years. The Pacific Baptist Church has been such a great neighbor to us. The pastor has personally come by our home to get to know us as his neighbors. He has also showed us the drawings of the new building himself. We are all for their building project! They do such a good job with their parking and have never given us one single problem. They have never given us any reason to doubt that they will be any less good neighbors than they already are because of their new buildings or growing congregation. We urge the Planning Commission to approve these plans promptly!

Sincerely,

Dennis and Kim

November 18, 2008

To Mayor Bob Foster,

Hello. My name is Eden Suque. I am a resident of Long Beach living in the Wrigley area; I live at 3307 Golden Ave. I have lived here for 37 years. It is safe to say that I am fairly familiar with the construction project of Pacific Baptist Church.

I am specifically writing to promote the construction plans of Pacific Baptist Church. From what I have experienced, it is a great church. My interactions with these people have had a lasting impression. The young people are very respectful, the adults are very kind, and the preacher is very caring.

I believe that their construction plans will help our community in a variety of ways. First of all, it will help beautify the community (the property is always impeccable). Secondly, it will create a safer atmosphere (according to statistics). Thirdly, it will be a help to those that hurt (what better place than a church).

I hope that this letter will help their construction plans pass, not only for them, but for our neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Eden Suque

November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

I live on Chestnut a couple of blocks from Pacific Baptist in the 7<sup>th</sup> district. I have lived at my current residence for 5 years. Before that I also lived in the 7<sup>th</sup> district. As a close neighbor of the church I have no problem with them building a 45,000 square foot building. I can tell that they are doing a good work in the community. We have never had any problem with them. It is nice to see what they have done to their property and I have seen the drawings of the new building and it is beautiful. Please vote in favor of the church.

Thank You,

Frank Toney



Thursday, November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

This letter is in reference to the Pacific Baptist Church building plans to construct a 45,000 square foot building in order to better accommodate their needs. I am a graduate of their school. I am a graphic designer and I own my own successful business called Jad Graphics. I contribute much of my success to the education I received at Pacific Baptist School. In addition to serving my clients, I have done a variety of graphic designing jobs for the church. I really enjoy doing what I can to be a part of their success.

Pacific Baptist Church is in great need of a new building. The church is full of good people that are friendly and family oriented. It is a great place for children, young people, and adults. I strongly encourage you to approve their building plans as they continue to reach out to their neighbors and community.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Jad Limcaco

Joseph Ledwidge  
622 W. 39<sup>th</sup> Street  
Long Beach, Ca 90806

To Councilwoman:

My name is Joseph Ledwidge and my wife is Maria Ledwidge. We live at 622 W. 39<sup>th</sup> Street in the city of Long Beach, just 3 blocks from the church. We are writing this letter in regards to the construction project of Pacific Baptist Church.

I drive pass Pacific Baptist Church daily so when my wife's sister passed away I knew what church to go to for help. For my family, my wife and her nieces and nephews, the church was a great help in healing and dealing with this tragic death.

I work for the "Los Angeles County Sheriff's department and am a Deputy Sheriff. Many families I deal with on a regular basis wish they had a church similar to this one to help them with their problems. The church is a great help to the community and a shelter for those in need of help. I am all for the construction or their new building. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Joseph Ledwidge  
562-208-2897

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

My wife and I and our four school age children live here in the Wrigley Area. Due to living so close to Pacific Baptist Church, just south of Spring St. on Pacific Ave., we many times would drive by the church and see how lovely and immaculate it always looks and also how clean the grounds have always been kept. The building itself helps beautify the Wrigley area. I also appreciate the members and young people of the church because of their exceptionally polite and friendly spirits.

Based on what we have seen theses past years, we fully support their plans concerning their new building. We are sure that this building will be a great asset to our community.

Sincerely,

Ross and Gladys Ballesteros

November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

I am writing to you to voice my support for the 45,000 sq. ft. building expansion of Pacific Baptist Church. I have lived on 2415 Earl Ave. in the 7<sup>th</sup> district for 26 years. I am the owner of two shops, Queen's Shell Shop (since 1973) and Land of Fruits and Nuts (since 1993), both aboard the Queen Mary.

I can tell you from past experience that they are very conscientious about having a positive effect in the community. Before they moved to their current facility they owned the church just around the corner from my house. From the upgrade that they made at that facility and the conduct of their people they were an asset to the area. I strongly urge you as a long time resident of the 7<sup>th</sup> district and a business owner in Long Beach to approve their project.

Russ Cugno

Mr. and Mrs. Leonilo Silva  
1954 Daisy Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90806

Good day Councilwoman,

Greetings! I'm writing this letter to express my gratitude to Pacific Baptist Church. I have been a local citizen of Long Beach in the 7<sup>th</sup> District for the past 6 years. As a mother of three, I enjoy living near this family friendly church. This church has been a positive attribute to our community.

I believe that their new facility will help them as they help others. I am thankful that I live in a community where there are people reaching out to help people. I hope that they are able to fulfill their mission as they strive to expand their building. The question is not "Should they expand?" but it is "Why shouldn't they expand?" For the sake of a better tomorrow for our community please let these people build.

A Concerned Citizen,

Leonilo Silva

Mayor Councilwoman Uranga,

I am a resident of Long Beach and I live at 2201 Pine. When it came to my attention that Pacific Baptist Church was expanding their building, I was truly excited for them. They are doing a great job taking care of the property that was at one point very neglected. The bushes were shabby, the paint was faded and chipping and it was appearing abandoned.

Since Pacific Baptist Church has bought the property on Magnolia, it has been a great transformation. Their arrival was evident as they began taking care of the property. The church that was nearly abandoned is now a beautiful sight. I see no reason why the city should not allow these people to expand their building. They have taken care of the current property in a great way, and I am very confident that they will continue to do so.

From the 7<sup>th</sup> District,  
Khristi Vinod Philip

December 3, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

I am a citizen of Long Beach, and a member of the 7<sup>th</sup> District. I live at 3595 Santa Fe Ave. I want to commend Pacific Baptist Church for all that they have done for our community. They improved their current property enormously since they first moved in. Not only that, but they have kept up with the landscaping very consistently. They also show care for their neighborhood through their carpooling system. Their shuttle helps prevent pollution and traffic in our neighborhood. Also, they have parking attendants that working every service to keep things running smoothly. These two procedures are done consistently just like the upkeep of their property.

They have brought life to the church building that at one time very neglected. Not only do they have good procedures, but they have great people. Their people are always very friendly and welcoming. I enjoy living by Pacific Baptist church and I think that a new building will be a help to them and to our neighborhood.

Sincerely,  
Lillian Avalos

December 3, 2008

Dear Councilwoman:

I am a citizen of Long Beach, and a member of the 7<sup>th</sup> District. I live at 3333 Pacific Pl. #640. I want to commend Pacific Baptist Church for all that they have done for our community. They improved their current property enormously since they first moved in. Not only that, but they have kept up with the landscaping very consistently. They also show care for their neighborhood through their carpooling system. Their shuttle helps prevent pollution and traffic in our neighborhood. Also, they have parking attendants that working every service to keep things running smoothly. These two procedures are done consistently just like the upkeep of their property.

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Thank you,  
Luisa Cepeda



November 24, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

My name is Manuel Ramirez and I live at 1526 Magnolia Ave. #A. I am writing to encourage you to support Pacific Baptist Church and their 45,000 sq/ft building project. I'm a member that has benefited from their Reformers Unanimous program. This program has helped overcome several addictions. The church has helped this former homeless man find a place to live.

Pacific Baptist Church is and will continue to be a help to the community. There are other people like me in this city that need Pacific Baptist Church to expand so that they too can find hope.

Thank You,  
Manuel Ramirez

November 25, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Uranga,

I am writing on behalf of Pacific Baptist Church. I am in full support of their building project. I live in the 7<sup>th</sup> district @ 850 W. 33<sup>rd</sup> Way. The church since it moved to this area has been a tremendous help to so many people in the community. So many young people are being reached and trained to be good, law abiding citizens. We need more churches like Pacific Baptist Church in our city.

I want to ask you to join me in support of Pacific Baptist Church and their building project.

Respectfully,

Martha Washington

December 3, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

I am a citizen of Long Beach, and a member of the 7<sup>th</sup> District. I live at 3333 Pacific Pl. #105. I want to commend Pacific Baptist Church for all that they have done for our community. They improved their current property enormously since they first moved in. Not only that, but they have kept up with the landscaping very consistently. They also show care for their neighborhood through their carpooling system. Their shuttle helps prevent pollution and traffic in our neighborhood. Also, they have parking attendants that working every service to keep things running smoothly. These two procedures are done consistently just like the upkeep of their property.

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Sincerely,  
Mary Austin

December 3, 2008

Dear Councilwoman:

I am a citizen of Long Beach, and a member of the 7<sup>th</sup> District. I live at 3515 Adriatic Ave. I want to commend Pacific Baptist Church for all that they have done for our community. They improved their current property enormously since they first moved in. Not only that, but they have kept up with the landscaping very consistently. They also show care for their neighborhood through their carpooling system. Their shuttle helps prevent pollution and traffic in our neighborhood. Also, they have parking attendants that working every service to keep things running smoothly. These two procedures are done consistently just like the upkeep of their property.

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Thank you,

Mia Alcobendas

November 25, 2008

Dear Council Member DeLong,

I am writing about Pacific Baptist Church. I have lived in Long Beach my entire life and have lived in your district over half of my life. I want to write you and ask you to approve the building project of Pacific Baptist Church when it comes before council.

The project was easily supported by the Planning Commission on now, for some reason, has been appealed. Their new building is a necessity in helping them to help the community in a more effect manner. It will be a great asset to the city of Long Beach and that is why I ask for your support.

Thank You,

Allison Meyers

November 24, 2008

Dear Councilmember DeLong,

We are writing regarding the proposed building project of Pacific Baptist Church. My family and I live at 7020 E. El Cedral in your district. We are home owners and have lived here for 7 years. We have lived in your district since 1994. We are for the new church building. In October the planning commission approved the plans for a new 45,000 SF building. We were very happy about this. This church is not only a great help to their immediate community but to the entire city.

We were also quite shocked that a few people appealed and are trying to stop this project from being completed when at the planning commission meeting the overwhelming majority of those in attendance were in favor. I know that their closest neighbors have no problem with them and welcome the project. I urge you to give your support at the December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. We do want to thank you for serving our district and our great city. I am a life long resident of this city having been born here. My wife operates a Day Care in this district. We care very much about this city as you do and churches like this are nothing but an asset.

Sincerely,

Steve and Alma Meyers

Dear Councilman DeLong,

I am writing about Pacific Baptist Church and their building expansion. I have grown up in Long Beach living here since I was one. I have lived in District 3 for over 10 years. I would strongly encourage you to support the project at the December City Council meeting. The church has been a positive influence in the community, the city, and a great help to me.

The project was supported by the Planning Commission and I don't understand why it was appealed. This city is better off by having a church that gives a positive influence to the community. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jessica Meyers

Dear Mr. DeLong,

On December 16 the appeal of the building project for Pacific Baptist Church will come before you and the other Council Members. This project has already been approved by the Planning Commission and has been appealed. I would urge you to approve the project at the Council Meeting. The church has added a lot to the city in its 20 year existence. They are great for the community. Their neighbors are for it, the Commission was for it and I hope that you will be for it. Thank You.

Stephen Meyers

7020 E. El Cedral



Dear Councilman. O'Donnell,

I live at 1135 Gardenia #B in Long Beach. In October Pacific Baptist Church went before the Planning Commission for approval of their 45,000 SF building project and the project was approved unanimously. I have since heard that that decision has now been appealed. I am 100% for this project and I think that the city should be also. The planning Commission looked at all the facts and came to a wise decision I'm writing to ask you to approve this project at the December 16 City Council Meeting. There is no real reason why it should not be. They have done all that was asked of them and have been responsible neighbors.

Sincerely

Wilson Eng

Dear Councilman O'Donnell,

I am writing to share with you my feelings about the Pacific Baptist Church building project. I am a long time resident of Long Beach and current live at 1129 Raymond in the 4<sup>th</sup> District. I have lived in this area since I was school age. I was very excited when the Planning Commission approved the project. I'm very disappointed that a couple of people have decided to appeal. There are no legitimate reasons why this decision should have been appealed.

I ask you to vote to approve the project, like the Planning Commission did, at the December 16 meeting. They are doing a great work and have been very sensitive to the needs and concerns of the community.

Thank You,

Thary So

Dear Council Member. O'Donnell,

My wife and I wanted to express our feelings about the upcoming December 16<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. We want to ask that you approve the Pacific Baptist Church 45,000 SF building construction project. A good church is an asset to the community and neighborhood that they are in. This church has been both. They were easily approved at the Planning Commission meeting in October with a tremendous amount of support from the community. I do not understand why it was appealed but ask that you vote for approval at the Council Meeting. We have lived in this city for a long time and are glad that there is a good church in our community.

Thank You,

Seth & Phal Tith  
2430 E. Spaulding  
Long Beach, CA 90804

Dear Councilwoman,

I have lived in 7<sup>th</sup> district for more than 15 years. I am a retired nurse and I lived next to Pacific Baptist Church.

I would like the city to know that I am happy for the building project that Pacific Baptist Church is involved in. I have seen the design of their new building and I know it will be an asset to our community.

Thank you for taking time to hear the voice of community that live in 7<sup>th</sup> district.

Lory Rufo  
3333 E. Pacific #324  
Long Beach, CA 90806

November 18, 2008

To Councilwoman Uranga:

Greetings! I live in the 7<sup>th</sup> district at 3224 Daisy Ave, one block away from the church. I am writing in favor of the Pacific Baptist building project. I would like to start out by saying that I am very impressed with how they have beautified their property. I clearly remember how the church and grounds looked before Pacific Baptist moved in. It has definitely made a night and day difference. Walking or even just driving past is a breath of fresh air for me.

As I stated before, I am in full agreement of PACIFIC BAPTIST CHURCH building their new building. I know that they will continue to be good neighbors even as their church continues to grow. They never have been a problem and I highly doubt that they will ever be. If every neighbor was as good as the Pacific Baptist Church family is, Long Beach would be a different (for the better, of course) place.

Signed,

Many Dom

November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

I am writing this letter to promote the development of the new building at Pacific Baptist Church.

The development at Pacific Baptist Church is a great idea. Not only will it improve our community but it will also brighten it by the beautiful building that is to be built on the corner of Magnolia and 33<sup>rd</sup> St.

Please take this letter into consideration as you make your decision.

Thank you,

Niles Eversoll & Jocelyn De Castro.  
3172 San Francisco  
Long Beach, CA 90806

November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

I am writing this letter to inform you of my opinion of Pacific Baptist Church's upcoming building project. I want you to know that they are doing a great job in keeping their property always clean. There is no church that I've seen that takes better care of their property than them. I can say this without a doubt because I have lived here, in the 7<sup>th</sup> district, for 5 years.

Not only are they good with their grounds, but they are also great in training their young people. They have the sharpest teenagers around. They are very polite and respectful. Their building project is a great investment for them as a church and for us as a community.

I strongly encourage you allow them to expand their property. They will bring good to our neighborhood.

Thank you,

Phoeurn Hoy

To: Councilwoman Tonia Reyes Uranga  
From: Karen Tran  
Date: November 25, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

I am writing this letter to express my favor of the new 45,000 square foot building at 3332 Magnolia Ave. I own a business located at 1826 Pacific Ave. and I strongly believe that a functioning church like Pacific Baptist Church is a help to our community and economy. Several of their members visit my restaurant frequently. They are very kind and respectful people. I love doing business with them. Undoubtedly, they bring business to our community that would be brought here no other way.

I support the new building of Pacific Baptist Church, and I think that it is a good idea for you to do the same.

Thank You,

Karen Tran  
Owner of Pho America



November 18, 2008

To Councilwoman:

I am writing regarding the city council meeting for Pacific Baptist Church that is coming up. I represent Quality Donuts located at 3401 Pacific. I wanted to let you know that I am in favor of the church constructing their new building. I'm not exactly sure what they're doing there at that church, but they sure are doing it right! The people of this church are so cordial, so polite, and extremely friendly when they come by the shop. If this building will help reach and produce more people like that, I say, "LET THEM BUILD!"

Their people are regular customers at our donut shop. I believe that the new building will boost our business and the businesses in our community. I urge the Planning Commission to approve Pacific Baptist's plans for their new 45,000 square foot building.

Sincerely,

November 18, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Uranga:

My name is Rathana Sin and I want to express my full support for the building project at Pacific Baptist Church. I have lived in Long Beach for over 25 years. I enjoy living and working in our city. I helped my parents establish their business in Long Beach over 15 years ago. I have worked at Home Depot for 10 years. For the past four years I have been the store manager of Home Depot, on Atlantic and Spring, for the past four years.

Several of my employers are a part of the congregation of Pacific Baptist Church. They are great employees. I truly believe that their church has been great for our community economically, socially, and morally. I completely support their building project and I think it would be a good decision for you to do the same.

They can do it; we can help.

Rathana Sin

To Councilwoman Uranga:

I am writing in regards to the new sanctuary on Magnolia Ave. I live on 2971 Daisy with my daughter, Rena.

As far as I know, there is no other sanctuary that I know of that is more careful about how they run things than this church. It is evident that they care about how they look and how they run things. I see the people there work hard, from their parking attendants to their gardeners. I have never heard any complaints from any of my neighbors about them.

I know that they are looking to expand their sanctuary and I am very happy for them.

Yours Truly,

Rory Pastor

December 1, 2008

Dear Councilmember O'Donnell,

I am writing about the Pacific Baptist Church building project. I am a resident of Long Beach and live at 1349 Dawson in the 4<sup>th</sup> District. I was in agreement when the Planning Commission approved the 45,000 SF building project. I'm very disappointed that there was an appeal made on the decision. I am asking that you approve the project, like the Planning Commission did. They don't park in front of their neighbor's houses and shuttle and have been receptive to the community concerns. They are actively involved in the community, helping to make it a better place to live . Please approve their project on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully,

Samantha Thaing

Dear Councilmember O'Donnell,

I am writing regarding the building project of Pacific Baptist Church.

I live at 33 19 E. 10<sup>th</sup> St. I have lived in Long Beach for over 20 years. I am for the new church building. The church has been a good neighbor to this city not just their immediate area.

I am very disappointed that the Planning Commission approval has been appealed. I am for their 45,000 SF building expansion and feel that this will enable them to better serve our city. I strongly urge you to support them at the December 16 City Council Meeting.

Sincerely

Rith Run

Dear Councilman. O'Donnell,

I am writing about Pacific Baptist Church. They were recently approved by the Planning Commission to build a new 45,000 SF facility. I am strongly for this and was very happy when it was approved. It seems that the decision has been appealed by a few people. I ask that you would support their project when it comes to Council on December 16. There really isn't a logical reason why they should not be approved. They are great for our city and their community is by and large for them.

Sincerely

George & Georgina Moreno

3906 Hathaway

Long Beach, CA 90815

December 1, 2008

Dear Mr. O'Donnell,

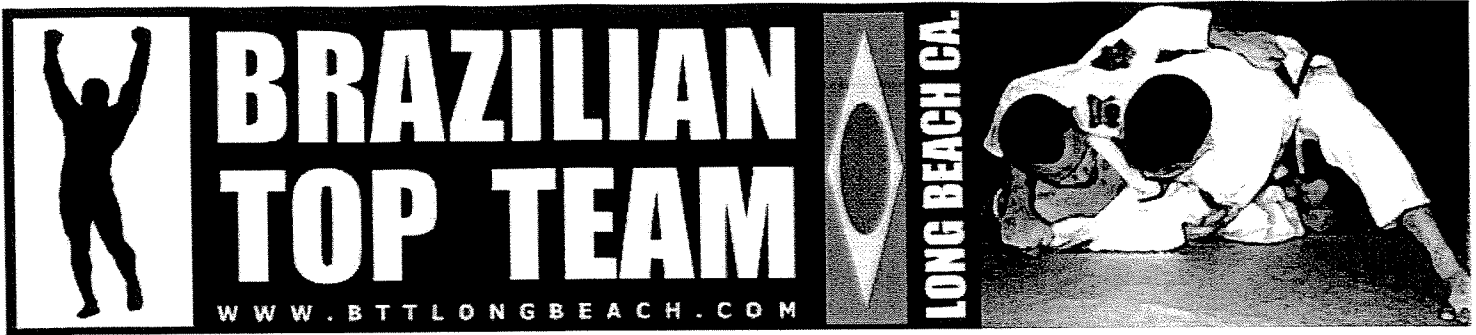
I am writing on behalf of the Pacific Baptist Church. In October they went before the Planning Commission for approval of their 45,000 SF building project. The project was approved unanimously. I have heard that that decision has now been appealed by a hand full of people. I personally do not understand why. The church has been very responsive to the needs of the community and is a great asset to this city. Their closest neighbors are in support of the project.

I'm writing to ask you to approve this project when it comes before you at the December 16 City Council Meeting. There is no real reason why it should not be. Thank you for your consideration.

Nancy Eng

1135 Gardenia

Long Beach, CA 90813



December 2, 2008

Dear Councilmember O'Donnell,

I'm writing to ask you to support the Pacific Baptist Church and their building expansion project. In my dealings with the people of the church I have found them to be great people and trustworthy. I know that they will continue to be a great representation of our community.

I know that the Planning Commission approved the project, and that the church has been attentive to the needs and concerns of the community. I hope that you will support the project at your December 16th meeting and approve the construction of their 45,000 SF building

Sincerely

Marcel Perdomo



Dear Councilwoman Lowenthal:

My name is Vek. I live at 1133 Gardenia Ave. I wanted to take the time to ask for your support of the Pacific Baptist Church building. Pacific Baptist Church has been serving our community for over two decades. They have done very much to better the lives of individuals and thereby, the community as a whole.

I was glad to hear that the planning commission supported their project unanimously. I was disappointed, however, to hear that an appeal was made. I urge you to support their building project.

Councilwoman Lowenthal,

My name is Joe Fusco. I live at 522 St. Louis in Long Beach. I am writing this letter is to request your support for Pacific Baptist Church's new building project. Our planning commission voted unanimously to approve this project. Someone has appealed it though, and our city council will be hearing the case on Dec 16th. I hope you will support this project.

Pacific Baptist does so much good for the community. With a new building, they will be able to do even more good for the community. Please support their project.

Councilwoman Lowenthal:

Pacific Baptist Church has been an asset to our community since 1988. Thousands of lives have been salvaged and made good citizens over the last two decades. They have a good track record with the community and have been consistently good to their neighbors. They are now attempting reach out more to the community through new, larger facilities.

The church came before the planning commission this October. The project was supported by all the members of the planning commission. I encourage you to do the same on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks,

Malina Cheun  
1345 St. Louis  
Long Beach, CA 90813

November 19, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Lowenthal,

I support Pacific Baptist Church's building project 100%. They have been such a help to my family. I know that they are good neighbors and that they are doing everything they can to help the community. They need a new building in order to help more people. Please help them help the community.

Thanks,

Nancy Eng  
1135 Gardenia Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90813

November 21, 2008

To Councilwoman Lowenthal:

Pacific Baptist Church has been in our community for the past 20 years. They have touched lives all over Long Beach. They have gone out of their way to be a blessing to their neighbors. They are building a bigger building to help more people. I know that they will continue to be an asset to our city.

I know that the planning commission approved their project earlier this year, but an appeal has been made. Please vote to allow them to build their building.

Sincerely,

Sam Rath  
431 E. 15<sup>th</sup> St  
Long Beach, CA 90813

November 20, 2008

To whom it may concern:

Pacific Baptist Church presented their building plans to the city's planning commission. They voted unanimously in favor of the project. Their decision was, however, appealed. The city council will have the building plans presented to them on December 16, 2008. Pacific Baptist Church has been an indispensable asset to the community for the last 20 years. They need larger facilities to continue to reach out to their community. I am writing this letter to petition you to support their project.

Sincerely,

Vanessa Tovar  
515 E. 17<sup>th</sup> St.  
Long Beach, CA

November 20, 2008

Dear Councilwoman Lowenthal,

My name is Jose. I live at 1614 Linden Ave. I am writing this letter to ask you to support the building project of Pacific Baptist Church. Pacific Baptist Church showed their plans to the planning commission this past October. It was approved by all the members of the planning commission. The city council will have the building project presented to them this December 16. Pacific Baptist Church has been a great benefit to the community for over 20 years. They are doing their best to be good neighbors. They have off-site parking and a shuttle system to transport their members to and from the structure. I support their building project and I hope that you will do the same.

Sincerely,

November 20, 2008

Councilwoman Lowenthal:

My name is Mildred Hill. I live at 1557 Pacific Avenue. I am writing this letter to ask you to approve the building project of Pacific Baptist Church on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Pacific Baptist Church presented their plans to the planning commission this past October. All the members of the planning commission voted in favor of the project. Their decision was appealed a few days later.

Pacific Baptist Church began reaching out to the Cambodian community in the 1980s when there was a large influx of Cambodian immigrants to Long Beach. Over the last two decades their ministry has evolved into a very diverse church reaching everybody in our community. They have grown to the point where they need to physically expand their facilities in order to more effectively reach people in every part of our community.

I am strongly urging you to support their project in the upcoming meeting. I thank you for your time and I appreciate what you do for our community.

Sincerely,

Mildred Hill  
1557 Pacific Avenue Apt. 9  
Long Beach, CA 90813



Dear Councilwoman Lowenthal,

My children faithfully attend Pacific Baptist Church. Their attendance to the church has made a HUGE difference in their behavior. When I heard that the church was going to expand the building, I was thrilled. I know if they could make a difference in my children's lives, then the expansion of their building could help them reach others.

Recently, they met with the planning commission who unanimously approved the project. Unfortunately, a few days later, the decision was appealed. I urge you to support this building project for the betterment of the community, and for the betterment of youth in Long Beach.

Kindest personal regards,

Lisa Jones  
740 Daisy Ave. #3  
Long Beach, CA 90813

Councilwoman Lowenthal:

Hello! My name is Vicky Sanders and I live at 551 w. 8<sup>th</sup> St. I have been looking forward to seeing the building project of Pacific Baptist Church getting approved and taking off to launch Long Beach to newer heights. The building project was approved in October, but, regrettably, the project was appealed.

I am writing this letter to urge you to support this wonderful project. Our city could use a church with this much concern and love for all people. Please support the building project of Pacific Baptist Church on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Dear Councilwoman Lowenthal:

This letter is to request your aid in supporting the Pacific Baptist Church in their new building project. The planning commission already approved this project. An appeal was made, though.

Though I do not attend this church, my children do so faithfully. Pacific Baptist Church has made a lasting impact on my children for the better. I think it would be a good thing if they were allowed to expand so that they can influence more lives. I hope you will support them on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Roberta Taylor  
1755 Locust Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90813

November 18, 2008

Councilwoman Lowenthal:

I would like to ask you to support a project which was supported unanimously by the Long Beach Planning Commission whose decision was, unfortunately, appealed. Pacific Baptist Church seeks to build a new, more modernized building to accommodate their growing membership. They have been and will continue to be an asset to their community.

Pacific Baptist Church has been a help to my children. My only hope is that they would be able to expand their infrastructure so that they can be a help to more of the youth of this city.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for considering my opinion.

Hazel Matos  
1730 Locust Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90813

Thursday, November 20, 2008

Councilwoman Lowenthal:

As a citizen of Long Beach, when I heard about the building project that Pacific Baptist Church was planning, I honestly hoped that this project could become an actual building instead of just plans to build it. Pacific Baptist Church has done a lot for our community. For over 20 years Pacific Baptist Church has been serving the people of Long Beach. Their diverse church has a ministry for almost every walk of life. Originally a Cambodian ministry, Pacific Baptist Church has grown to reach the Spanish-speaking people of Long Beach, the Filipino people of Long Beach, and this past October was the one year anniversary of their growing Deaf ministry. The members of Pacific Baptist Church have a heart for the people of Long Beach, and your support and approval of this building will help them better the city of Long Beach.

I ask that you support Pacific Baptist Church as they endeavor to do more for our community.

Truthfully yours,

Dear Mayor Foster:

Hello, my name is Rosa Slava. I am writing you to ask for your support in the matter of the Pacific Baptist Church building. Pacific Baptist Church has been in our community for over 20 years, and they have been great neighbors and great friends. The members have always been courteous and helpful which is why they need a new building to accommodate their growth. As you know, the building commission has approved their project, however there has been an appeal. I urge you to support their building project.

Pacific Baptist Church is a tremendous asset to our community. They have been very helpful to my family. Pacific Baptist Church reached out to my family 10 years ago. I believe that Pacific Baptist Church can help so many more families. With more space from the new building, it will enable Pacific Baptist Church to reach out to more of Long Beach and give them the opportunity that my family has been able to have.

I thank you for your time, and I hope that you will support the building project of Pacific Baptist Church.

Rosa Slava  
645 Atlantic Ave. #6  
Long Beach, CA 90802

Councilwoman Suja Lowenthal:

My name is Dave Board. I live at 749 Gardenia Ave. I wanted to take the time to ask for your support of the Pacific Baptist Church building. Pacific Baptist Church has been serving our community for over two decades. They have done very much to better the lives of individuals and thereby, the community as a whole.

I was glad to hear that the planning commission supported their project unanimously. I was disappointed, however, to hear that an appeal was made. I urge you to support their building project.

Sincerely,

December 1, 2008

Mayor Foster:

I would like to ask you to support a project which was supported unanimously by the Long Beach Planning Commission whose decision was, unfortunately, appealed. Pacific Baptist Church seeks to build a new, more modernized building to accommodate their growing membership. They have been and will continue to be an asset to their community.

Pacific Baptist Church has been a help to my children. My only hope is that they would be able to expand their infrastructure so that they can be a help to more of the youth of this city.

Thank you for taking the time to read this and for considering my opinion.

Mauricio Garcia  
937 N. Washington Pl.  
Long Beach, CA 90813



Dear Mayor Foster:

This letter is to request your aid in supporting the Pacific Baptist Church in their new building project. The planning commission already approved this project. An appeal was made, though.

Though I do not attend this church, my children do so faithfully. Pacific Baptist Church has made a lasting impact on my children for the better. I think it would be a good thing if they were allowed to expand so that they can influence more lives. I hope you will support them on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

Mario Bravo  
1123 E. Hellman Ave. #1  
Long Beach, CA 90813

Mayor Foster,

My name is Margie Franco. I live at 912 Loma Vista. I am writing this letter is to request your support for Pacific Baptist Church's new building project. Our planning commission voted unanimously to approve this project. Someone has appealed it though, and our city council will be hearing the case on Dec 16th. I hope you will support this project.

Pacific Baptist does so much good for the community. With a new building, they will be able to do even more good for the community. Please support their project.

Mayor Foster:

Pacific Baptist Church has been an asset to our community since 1988. Thousands of lives have been salvaged and made good citizens over the last two decades. They have a good track record with the community and have been consistently good to their neighbors. They are now attempting reach out more to the community through new, larger facilities.

The church came before the planning commission this October. The project was supported by all the members of the planning commission. I encourage you to do the same on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks,

Mapu Juarez  
1890 N Harbor Ave. #3  
Long Beach, CA 90810

December 2, 2008

Dear Mayor Foster,

I support Pacific Baptist Church's building project 100%. They have been such a help to my family. I know that they are good neighbors and that they are doing everything they can to help the community. They need a new building in order to help more people. Please help them help the community.

Thanks,

Maria Llamas  
1208 Daisy Ave. #9  
Long Beach, CA 90813

December 3, 2008

To Mayor Foster:

Pacific Baptist Church has been in our community for the past 20 years. They have touched lives all over Long Beach. They have gone out of their way to be a blessing to their neighbors. They are building a bigger building to help more people. I know that they will continue to be an asset to our city.

I know that the planning commission approved their project earlier this year, but an appeal has been made. Please vote to allow them to build their building.

Sincerely,

Maria Pinzon  
855 Chestnut Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90813

December 1, 2008

To whom it may concern:

Pacific Baptist Church presented their building plans to the city's planning commission. They voted unanimously in favor of the project. Their decision was, however, appealed. The city council will have the building plans presented to them on December 16, 2008. Pacific Baptist Church has been an indispensable asset to the community for the last 20 years. They need larger facilities to continue to reach out to their community. I am writing this letter to petition you to support their project.

Sincerely,

Maria Rivera  
1852 ½ Elm Ave.  
Long Beach, CA 90810

December 2, 2008

Dear Mayor Foster,

My name is Maria Zapata. I live at 1331 Elm Ave. I am writing this letter to ask you to support the building project of Pacific Baptist Church. Pacific Baptist Church showed their plans to the planning commission this past October. It was approved by all the members of the planning commission. The city council will have the building project presented to them this December 16. Pacific Baptist Church has been a great benefit to the community for over 20 years. They are doing their best to be good neighbors. They have off-site parking and a shuttle system to transport their members to and from the structure. I support their building project and I hope that you will do the same.

Sincerely,

December 3, 2008

Mayor Foster:

My name is Elias Zambrano. I live at 1357 Elm St. Apt. 8. The purpose of this letter is to express my approval for the building project of Pacific Baptist Church. This church has been in the community for many years and has established a good reputation. The future is bright for this young church. They have been and will continue to help families and hurting individuals in the community.

Pacific Baptist is in need of a new building. They have already gone to great lengths to be an asset to their neighbors and will continue to do so. I hope that you will join me in supporting their project.

Sincerely,



**Dear Mayor Foster,**

**Thank you for all you do for our community. I am a member of Pacific Baptist Church. This December 16<sup>th</sup> the city council will be hearing our plans for our new building. The planning commission has already approved this project unanimously. Please support our church and the planning commission.**

**Thanks,**

*Crystal & Cody Ibershoff*

**Crystal and Cody Ibershoff  
237 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St. #2  
Long Beach, CA 90813**

12/03/2008

Mayor Foster:

My name is Henry Vong. I live at 1114 Pacific Ave. I have been a member of Pacific Baptist Church for some time now, and I have seen our church involved in so many projects to help the community. This church is truly a benefit to our community. We need more space to help more people. Pacific Baptist has a working formula. Please allow us to apply it to more lives and help enrich our community.

Sincerely,

Dear Mayor Foster,

I appreciate what you and your team do for our neighborhood and city. I am sure that you are aware of the Pacific Baptist's proposed new building. This new building is going to allow the church to reach deeper into the community to touch more lives. I am asking you to support this project. Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Yours truly,

Jackie Soung  
1298 Esther St.  
Long Beach, CA 90813

Alma Valencia  
1530 W. 20<sup>th</sup> St. #D

Long Beach CA, 90810

Dear Councilwomen Lowenthal,

My name is Alma Valencia and I am a member here of Pacific Baptist Church. Pacific Baptist Church has been a great help and encouragement to my family. They have helped me through a lot of tough times and has always been there in times of need. I support Pacific Baptist Church in their building program. I know without a shadow of a doubt that their new building will only be used to change more lives and reach those in need.

It is difficult to fathom that an appeal has been made concerning the new building of Pacific Baptist Church. There is a great need for this new building not only within the lives of the church members but in this community as well. Never has there been a complaint about Pacific Baptist Church. The Church and its members go to extreme measures to make sure they are a blessing to their neighbors. Church members do not park in front of any neighbor's home and the parking plan that Pacific Baptist Church has pose no problem at all. There are helpful parking attendants around to direct people as to where to go and shuttles that provide much convenience for off site parking.

Pacific Baptist Church is a tremendous asset to the community of Long Beach and once again thank you for taking time to read this letter. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

December 1, 2008

Dear Mayor Foster,

Hi, my name is Digna Espinoza and I live on 717 Daisy Ave. in Long Beach California. It has come to my attention that the new building plans of Pacific Baptist Church have been appealed. I would ask that you please re-look this matter. Pacific Baptist Church has been a great addition to the community of Long Beach especially in the Wrigley Community. There have been countless times when Pacific Baptist Church participated in outreach programs to the community.

The people of Pacific Baptist Church have worked hard to meet the needs of the neighbors that live around the church. In fact, our church members have worked hard to not park in front of our neighbors. We want to make sure that they are given the best of everything in our neighborhood, including parking. Our parking attendants look out for those who may potentially park in front of our neighbors and they make sure that no problem ever occurs. In fact, there is no parking problem here. Thank you so much for your time and for all the work you do for the city of Long Beach

With appreciation,

12/2/2008

Mayor Foster,

Hello, my name is Erick Sanchez. Firstly, I wanted to thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I found out that the new building plans of Pacific Baptist Church have been appealed and I would like to ask that you please re-consider this matter. I live at 937 N. Washington Pl. #6 in Long Beach California and am a member of Pacific Baptist Church. Pacific Baptist Church has done many helpful things for my family and I am very appreciative for the difference that Pacific Baptist Church has made in my life.

The members of Pacific Baptist Church have worked very hard to meet the needs of the neighbors that live in its surrounding neighborhood. In fact, our church members have worked hard to not park in front of our neighbors. We want to make sure that our neighbors always have parking. Our parking attendants help to make sure that no people park in front of our neighbors and our shuttles run constantly to make our off site parking plan better.

Please help us build this new building, it is much needed. Once again thank you for your time.

Thank you,

December 3, 2008

Dear Mayor Foster,

Hello my name is Giselle Munoz. I wanted to take the time to thank you for reading this letter. I know that you are very busy with many duties but I am glad that you would serve the people of Long Beach. I am a member of Pacific Baptist Church and I support Pacific Baptist Church in their building program. Pacific Baptist has helped me and my family in so many ways, I am thankful to be apart of such a great congregation of people.

I have been informed of the recent appeal made against our plans for a new building, and cannot believe that such a thing would happen. I cannot think of a better way to help so many families in the city of Long Beach than for this building to be built. There has never been a complaint about Pacific Baptist Church made to me, only positive feedback of the tremendous help and support which Pacific Baptist provides. The Church and its members go the extra mile to make sure they are a helpmeet to their neighbors. Church members do not park in front of any neighbor's homes and the parking plan that Pacific Baptist Church has only shows how smooth the parking system is running. There are helpful parking attendants around to show people where to park and shuttles for easy off site parking. Pacific Baptist is needed in this community, not just for the people here today but the people that will be here in the future. Thank you again for your time and for your service here in the city of Long Beach.

Sincerely,

Giselle Munoz  
645 Atlantic Ave. #6  
Long Beach, CA 90802

December 1, 2008

Mayor Foster,

My name is Graciela Verduco and I live at 1059 Martin Luther King #5 in Long Beach California. I just heard of the appeal made about the building plans of Pacific Baptist Church and I think this is a big oversight. A new building for Pacific Baptist Church is what this city needs to make Long Beach a thriving city. So many lives have been changed for the better and so many people are becoming productive members of society because of Pacific Baptist Church. We want to reach and help more citizens of the Long Beach area!

The people here of Pacific Baptist Church work hard to make sure our neighbors are happy. We work hard to not park in front of our neighbors. We want to make sure that we are respectful of our neighbors. On any given day and service there are always parking attendants outside helping to make sure that no cars park in front of our neighbors. We even have shuttles for a much easier system of parking off site.

What a difference and life changing experience it has been to be a member of Pacific Baptist. This new building must be built in order to help more lives and more people. Thank you for your time and God bless.

Graciela Verduco

12/02/2008



To Mayor Foster,

Hello, my name is Henry Aguirre. Firstly, I want to thank you for reading this letter. I found out that the new building plans of Pacific Baptist Church have been opposed and appealed. I would like to ask that you please re-consider this issue. I live at 937 N. Washington Pl. #6 in Long Beach California and am a member of Pacific Baptist Church. Pacific Baptist Church has done many helpful things for my family and I am very appreciative for the change that Pacific Baptist Church has made in my life. I am glad that Pacific Baptist Church has different bilingual ministries to help people such as myself.

Pacific Baptist Church toil very hard to meet the requests of the neighbors that live in the surrounding neighborhood. In fact, our church members work hard to not park in front of our neighbors. We want to make sure that our neighbors always have parking. Our parking attendants help to make sure that no people park in front of our neighbors and our shuttles run constantly to make our off site parking plan better.

Please help us build this new building, it is much needed. Once again thank you for your time.

Thank you,

Henry Aguirre

**12/2/2008**

**Mayor Foster,**

**Hello, our names are Martin and Rosa Hernandez. We found out that the new building plans of Pacific Baptist Church have been appealed. We would like to ask that you please re-consider this matter. We live on 448 W. 8<sup>th</sup> St. #D in Long Beach California and are members of Pacific Baptist Church. Pacific Baptist Church has helped our family in so many ways. In fact, our children are all grown and are now members of Pacific Baptist Church as well.**

**Pacific Baptist Church work very hard to meet the parking needs of the neighbors that live in the surrounding neighborhood. Our church members work hard to not park in front of our neighbors. We want to make sure that our neighbors always have parking. Our parking attendants help to make sure that no people park in front of our neighbors and our shuttles help to make our off site parking plan better. Please help us with our new building. Thank you for your time and God bless.**

**Sincerely,**

December 3, 2008

Dear Mayor Foster,

Hello our name is Laura and Roberto Garcia. We wanted to take the time to thank you for reading this letter. I know that you are very busy with many responsibilities but I am glad that you would serve the people of Long Beach. We are members of Pacific Baptist Church and we support Pacific Baptist Church in their building program. Pacific Baptist has helped our family in so many ways, we are thankful to be apart of such a great congregation of people.

We have been informed of the recent appeal made against our plans for a new building, and cannot believe that such a thing would happen. We cannot think of a better way to help so many families in the city of Long Beach than for this building to be built. There has never been a complaint about Pacific Baptist Church made to us, only positive feedback of the tremendous help and support which Pacific Baptist provides. The Church and its members go the extra mile to make sure they are a helpmeet to their neighbors. We do not park in front of any neighbor's home and the parking plan that Pacific Baptist Church has only exemplifies how smooth the parking plan is running. There are helpful parking attendants around to show people where to park and shuttles for easy off site parking. Pacific Baptist is needed in this community, not just for the people here today but the people that will be here in the future. Thank you again for your time and for your service here in the city of Long Beach.

Sincerely,

Laura and Roberto Garcia  
937 N. Washington Pl. #6  
Long Beach, CA 90813

Dear Mayor Foster,

My name is Monica Sanchez and I live on 937 N. Washington Pl. #6 in Long Beach California 90813. I just heard of the appeal made about the building plans of Pacific Baptist Church and I just can not believe it. A new building for Pacific Baptist Church is just what Long Beach needs to make it an even better city. So many lives have been changed for the better and so many people are using their lives to make a difference in this society because of Pacific Baptist Church. We want to reach and help more people of the Long Beach area!

The people here of Pacific Baptist Church work hard to make sure our neighbors are happy. We work hard to not park in front of our neighbors. We want to make sure that we are respectful of our neighbors. On any given day and service there are always parking attendants outside helping to make sure that no cars park in front of our neighbors. We even have shuttles for a much more efficient system of parking off site.

What a difference and life changing experience it has been to be a member of Pacific Baptist. This new building must be built in order to help more lives and more people. Thank you for your time in reading this letter.

Monica Sanchez

To Mayor Foster,

Hi, my name is Rebeca Sanchez and I live in Long Beach California on 937 N. Washington Pl. #5. It has come to my interest that the new building plans of Pacific Baptist Church have been appealed. I would ask that you please re-look this situation. Pacific Baptist Church has been a great addition to the community of Long Beach.

The people of Pacific Baptist Church have worked hard to meet the needs of the neighbors that live around the church. In fact, our church members have worked hard to not park in front of our neighbors. We want to make sure that the neighbors are given the best of everything in our neighborhood, especially parking. Our parking attendants look out for those who might park in front of our neighbors and they make sure that no problem ever occurs. In fact, there is no parking problem here. Thank you so much for your time and for all the work you do for the city of Long Beach, I greatly appreciate all you do.

With appreciation,

Rebeca Sanchez

Corinnia Sporman  
5639 Langport #6  
Long Beach, CA 90805  
December 9, 2008

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Councilmember Rae Gablich  
3333 Ocean Blvd.  
Fourteenth Floor  
Long Beach, CA

Dear Councilmember Gablich,

On December 16, Pacific Baptist Church will be before the city council and you will be voting on the building expansion that was unanimously voted in favor of by the Planning Commission.

I hope that you will also continue in like manner and approve of this project. Pacific Baptist Church is a beacon in the community and has beautified the community it resides as well as be a blessing to those who are served.

I support the building program of Pacific Baptist Church and I do hope you will, too on December 16, 2008.

I remain respectfully,

November 25, 2008

Dear Councilwoman,

I am a senior citizen that lives in the 7<sup>th</sup> district at 2100 Caspian Ave. I wanted to express my complete cooperation for Pacific Baptist Church's building project. I know that the church is helping so many people in our community. I know that the new building will allow them to reach out to even more people in need.

I am asking for you to support the church and their building project. I hope the appeal made by 2 people does not hinder the church continuing to be a benefit to the community.

Respectfully,

Nancy Hambrick