



Date: July 23, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Vice Mayor Dee Andrews, Chair, Housing and Neighborhoods Committee

Subject: Naming the new Main Library "Billie Jean King Main Library"

The Housing and Neighborhoods Committee, at its meeting held Monday, July 15, 2019, considered communications relative to the above subject.

It is the recommendation of the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee to the City Council to approve naming the new Main Library "Billie Jean King Main Library."

Implementing this recommendation is anticipated to result in a minimal fiscal impact for the installation of the signage, and private fundraising would be sought to assist with that expense. With sufficient time to design and install the signing and coordinate with the move into the new building, there would be a minimal impact to staff hours beyond normal budgeted scope of duties and a minimal impact of City Council priorities.

Respectfully submitted,

HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE

Vice Mayor Dee Andrews, Chair

Prepared by: Tamela Austin





DATE: July 9, 2019

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Councilwoman Jeannine Pearce, District 2 Vice Mayor Dee Andrews, District 6 Councilmember Al Austin, District 8 Councilmember Rex Richardson, District 9

SUBJECT: Recommend Naming the Main Library the "Billie Jean King Main Library".

RECOMMENDATION:

Consider a request from community members to name the new Main Library "*Billie Jean King Main Library*" and refer this item to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee for consideration.

DISCUSSION

The new Main Library, set to open on September 21st, 2019, will transform downtown with a bright, welcoming, modern space and programs for all members of the Long Beach community. There is no secret that well-funded and programmed libraries have a positive impact on the social determinants of health. Libraries can offer a safe place for individuals living with abuse, fighting loneliness, experiencing homelessness, and connect them with resources.

Councilwoman Pearce asked the community members to share their naming suggestions via email and social media. Over 1,200 people sent suggestions, but one name surpassed all the rest, Billie Jean King. It's clear from reading the list, Long Beach has many community leaders deserving of recognition in the community.

The diversity in support given to the world-famous tennis player, Billie Jean King, represents an array of values to our City, all which will continue to inspire those who come through our library doors. Her leadership in sports, the LGBTQ community, fighting for equality for everyone regardless of their race, class, or orientation has changed the World, making many in Long Beach extremely proud.

It is with this in mind we respectfully ask that the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee support the community request and name the Main Library the "Billie Jean King Main Library."

This matter was reviewed by Budget Manager, Grace H. Yoon on June 27, 2019.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommendation requests the City Council to consider a request from community members to name the new Main Library "*Billie Jean King Main Library*" and refer this item to the Housing and Neighborhoods Committee for consideration. Implementing this recommendation is

anticipated to result in a moderate impact to staff hours beyond normal budgeted scope of duties and a moderate impact of City Council priorities.

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Billie Jean King

July 3, 2019

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Councilmembers,

I was thrilled to learn the brand new state-of-the-art Main Library at the corner of Broadway and Pacific downtown will have its unveiling this summer. What an amazing gift to the city of Long Beach.

Libraries are the core of our country's communities and as a child growing up in the Wrigley Heights neighborhood of Long Beach, our family regularly visited the Dana Neighborhood Library, the Bret Harte Neighborhood Library, and Burnett Neighborhood Library. I have always loved reading and was also fond of each of the libraries at Los Cerritos Elementary School, John Evans Hughes Junior High School, and at Long Beach Polytechnic High School, home of the Jack Rabbits.

It is deeply humbling to have my name in consideration for the naming of the Main Library. This honor would represent my life coming full circle, and my complete belief of having a commonplace for the community, where all are equally welcome and have access to visit, learn, and grow.

Each and every day, I feel grateful to have been born and raised in Long Beach and have always been so proud to call it my hometown. Without the support of the Long Beach Tennis Patrons, the Long Beach Century Club, and the city's public service offerings, I wouldn't be who I am today. Long Beach fostered my dreams. I hope to help foster the dreams of many more in Long Beach, by giving back to the library and engaging many in learning about courage and equality.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Long Beach community with the same passion, care, and opportunity that I was given in my youth.

Thank you for your commitment to enrich the lives of the residents of Long Beach with this new library.

Sincerely,

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Billie Jean King Enterprises 584 Broadway, Suite 906 • New York, NY 10012 June 15, 2019

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council From: Main Library Naming Committee

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council,

We are excited to see the City opening a brand new, 93,000 square foot library as part of our Downtown Civic Center. It will be a beautiful palace of learning fit for a King, but built for you and me. It will have state of the art technology for the public to use and learn on, meeting rooms, lounge areas with park views, the best accessibility options in the nation, and yes, more power outlets than ever before seen in a library.

Libraries are pathways to fulfillment and success. They are safe places where anyone can spend their time--where children find the skills to be adults, and where adults find the spark that reminds them to dream.

The City has come far in embracing diversity and equality and has sent a message to the community that the local government wants to celebrate their bravery, and create safe places for people who might not be safe at home. We know many of our schools and libraries are named after men who have passed. Today we, the undersigned, ask that the City Council consider a name that inspires determination, courage, grit, and a spirit of uplifting everyone regardless of race, class, gender, or sexual orientation.

The library deserves a name that does this for Long Beach, a name that will make the world turn their head and see how far we all have come in the name of equality for all.

We propose the Billie Jean King Library.

Billie Jean King is a homegrown Long Beach heroine. She credits our libraries and our parks for her success. She is a graduate of Poly High School and has returned to Long Beach to give back and thank the city.

Billie Jean King has an extensive history of breaking boundaries and re-creating norms. She is a former World No.1 professional tennis player winning 39 Grand Slam titles.

She is regarded by many in the sport as one of the greatest women's tennis players of all time. King was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 1987. She also founded the Women's Tennis Association and The Women's Sports Foundation. She beat Bobby Riggs in the historic 1973 "Battle of the Sexes" tennis match, a groundbreaking historical moment when notes in her recent children's book that she also realized she identified as gay. In 1972 she was, along with John Wooden, the joint winner of the Sports Illustrated 'Sportsman of the Year' award. She became Time Magazine's Person of the Year in 1975. She has also received the Presidential Medal of Freedom and was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame in 1990.

King is also an established author, an advocate for gender equality and has long been a pioneer for equality and social justice.

We applaud Councilwoman Pearce for reminding Long Beach that the Main Library is not just books, but a place that will be filled with stories of people who inspire young and old to be in competition with their best selves, a place that offers safety and community. No one is a better example of a life lived with this courage than Billie Jean King.

A jewel herself, Billie Jean King is the perfect Long Beach Hometown Hero to dawn her name on our City's new Jewel Box, The Long Beach Main Library. Named in her honor, the new Main Library will serve to lead future athletes, scientists, authors, designers and all others to great accomplishments and goals that will reward us for generations to come.

We ask that you consider Billie Jean King as the new name of the Main Library.

Sincerely,

Juan Benitez, LBUSD School Board Member Rocio Torres, AOC7 Board Member Ennette Morton, Commissioner, Youth and Families Darick Simpson, Executive Director, Long Beach Community Action Partnership Dianne Mcninch, Former President LBCCD Governing Board of Trustees Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council,

We are excited to see the City of Long Beach open a brand new library as part of our Downtown Civic Center, Libraries are pathways to fulfillment and success. They are safe places where anyone can spend their time while seeking knowledge and growth. Within the walls of libraries children find the skills to be adults, while adults rekindle the spark that reminds them to dream. The City has grown a great deal in the past several years demonstrating that it embraces diversity and equality. This has sent a message to the community that our local government wants to boldly celebrate the pride it takes in creating places for all people. Still, we have noticed that several of our local institutions of knowledge such as schools and libraries are named in honor of men who have passed. This is not representative of the rich diversity that makes up the city we love.

We as leaders, neighbors, and friends of the LGBTQ community, are all members of various identities who believe the time is long overdue to have an institution within our city that embraces and inspires LGBTQ youth. It should be a place that encourages all children to have the bravery for a vision to never waiver and unapologetically be who they are regardless of gender or sexual orientation. We ask that the City Council consider a name that inspires strength, courage, bravery, and a spirit of uplifting all people. For us that person is Billie Jean King.

As a graduate of Poly High School, Billie Jean King is a product of Long Beach intuitions. She knows firsthand what it is like to not be represented equally amongst the competition. Yet in the face of adversity she overcame many barriers to become one of the greatest women tennis players of all time. This was an uphill battle that she faced at a time when it was not acceptable to be out and proud. Still, she persevered. Many of us within the community can relate to such struggles when working hard to be true to ourselves.

Billie Jean King credits our libraries and our parks for her success. Not just a pioneering athlete, King is also an established author, who advocates for gender equality and social justice. That is why we feel no one on the national level inspires us more than Long Beach's very own Billie Jean King, Billie Jean King is nothing short of a Long Beach heroine. That is why we ask you to consider Billie Jean King as the new name of the Main Library.

Sincerely,

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May 31, 2019

Mayor Garcia and Councilmembers,

On behalf of Long Beach Century Club's Board of Directors and 500 Members please accept this letter of endorsement for naming the Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

The Long Beach Century Club which was formed in 1957 has a long history with Ms. King. Early in her career the Century Club was instrumental by providing financial support for her first trip to Wimbledon in 1961. Over the years Ms. King has warmly and publicly remembered her deep Long Beach roots and graciously mentions the support she received from her hometown.

Billie Jean King graduated from Poly whose motto 'Home of Scholars and Champions' left a lasting impression. We believe it is fitting that Billie Jean King should leave a lasting impression on the City of Long Beach.

Sincerely,

Benjamin Goldberg President Long Beach Century Club

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LARRIEU	RON	ANAHEIM HILLS	92807
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MARK	JUDY	GARDEN GROVE	92845
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June 14, 2019

Mayor Robert Garcia Members of Long Beach City Council 333 W. Ocean Blvd., 14th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Dear Mayor Garcia and Members of Long Beach City Council,

The LGBTQ Center Long Beach congratulates you on the incredible redevelopment of the Downtown Civic Center. With the addition of a brand new 93,000 square foot library, our residents of all ages will have even greater opportunity to enhance literacy, participate in public program, and build community at our newest City library.

With the exception of Harvey Milk Park, there are no other significant cultural, civic, or educational facilities currently named after an openly LGBTQ person in the city. The Center wholeheartedly supports current efforts to name the Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

King is an internationally recognized sports legend, Long Beach native, philanthropist, and advocate for women and the LGBTQ community. As someone who was once ranked the best women's tennis player in the world, King is one of Long Beach's most recognizable and successful athletes. Throughout her career and professional sports retirement, King has been a champion for women through her own public voice, philanthropic efforts, and personal activism. As one of the first professional athletes to come out publicly, King is also a pioneer and groundbreaking figure within the LGBTQ social justice movement.

There is no local legend more deserving than King, an international leader and role model who will continue to inspire new generations.

Thank you for considering this incredible naming opportunity for our Main Library.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter of support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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May 30, 2019

Long Beach City Council Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

This letter is to lend my support and full endorsement of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

It was a tremendous pleasure to welcome Billie Jean King and her partner Ilana Kloss to the ownership group of the LA Dodgers in 2018. Their partnership has sent positive waves throughout not only baseball but the entire sports community. Having a fearless athlete and advocate like Billie Jean King in our group has reinforced that every decision made is inclusive, welcoming, and provides equal opportunities.

Her feat against Bobby Riggs in 1973 and raising of millions of dollars for AIDS causes and the LGBTQ community is a testament to her trailblazing leadership and compassion to create an equal society. She continues to support philanthropic endeavors and champion the next generation of leaders by providing vision, access, and advocacy through the Billie Jean King Leadership Initiatives. It communicates an incredible message to female athletes, businesswomen, and LGBTQ citizens across the globe that they are equal and beyond capable.

I cannot think of a more credible individual to be recognized and have the naming of the Long Beach Main Library than its hometown hero, Billie Jean King. She has done so much for so many and her legacy should be commemorated. She will be remembered by the next generation for her passion, persistence, and above all, purpose to do the right thing.

I am fully supportive of the naming of the Main Library "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library."

Sincerely;

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Earvin Johnson Jr. Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Magic Johnson Enterprises Co-Owner, LA Dodgers





May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

This letter is to lend my support and full endorsement of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING. As one of the few women who hold positions of power in sports and entertainment in America, I know that I would not have had the confidence or belief in myself were it not for the bravery and influence of Billie Jean King.

Billie Jean King is respected by men and women for her accomplishments both in the sports and business arenas and she is someone who has continuously stood up for those without a voice. As someone who interacts with the next generation daily, I appreciate the value of symbols and how powerful a name on a building can be. As Billie Jean always says, "the more you know about history, the more you know about yourself" and I want every young girl and boy to know her story and understand the power of what is possible. Libraries at their very core are places where people can dream. We should ensure the name on the front of this building represents the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality.

Please reach out with any questions and know that you have my full support and championing of the Main Library "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library".

Sincerely,

Jeanie Buss Co-Owner and CEO Los Angeles Lakers jeanieb@la-lakers.com



May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

This letter is to lend my support and full endorsement of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

As one of the most significant and important Americans in history – and a native of Long Beach – Billie Jean has led a life committed to equality for all and she developed those values in her hometown of Long Beach.

Billie Jean King is respected by men and women for her accomplishments both in the sports and business arenas and she is someone who has continuously stood up for those without a voice. As Billie Jean always says "the more you know about history, the more you know about yourself" and I want every young girl and boy to know Billie Jean's story and understand the power of what is possible. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people can go to learn and gather and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. We should ensure the name on the front of this building represents the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality.

Please reach out with any questions and know that you have my full support and championing of the naming of the Main Library to "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library". Let's all be on the right side of history.

Sincerely

Nichol Whiteman Chief Executive Office Los Angeles Dodgers Foundation



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May 30, 2019

Long Beach City Council Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I am writing in support of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Billie Jean has made a profound impact on the sport of tennis and maybe more importantly in the fight for equal rights, securing her place as a significant figure in both sports and American history. She is highly respected for her accomplishments beyond the court, continuously standing up for those without a voice. I've personally known Billie Jean for over 30 years and have watched in admiration while she used her stature as a sports hero to fight for social justice. The drive and intensity she had as an athlete carried through in her fight for equality. It is without a doubt that Billie Jean's upbringing in Long Beach provided the foundation and determination she needed to become a social change leader.

By naming the library in her honor, both Long Beach and Southern California residents will get the opportunity to learn and be inspired by Billie Jean's story. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people go to learn, exchange ideas and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. We should ensure the name on the front of this building represents the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality.

You have my full support and championing of the naming of the Main Library to "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library." Thank you very much for your consideration and please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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anet S. Dial, Vice President for University Advancement and Executive Director California State University, Los Angeles Foundation

May 31, 2019

Long Beach City Council Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I am writing today in support of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

As an alum of California State University, Los Angeles, Billie Jean King has a sincere connection to the institution and the diverse population of people it serves. Cal State LA is ranked first in the nation for propelling a higher percentage of students from the bottom fifth of income into the top fifth of U.S. earners. In 1997, BJK received an honorary doctorate and over the past 20 years has participated in the "BJK and Friends Gala" which has raised significant funds to establish the Billie Jean King Scholarship and the Joe Shapiro Scholarship to support the Division II athletic teams and program. The entire athletic complex is named, "The Billie Jean King Sports Complex" and in 2016 the CSU Board of Trustees approved the naming of a new facility that Billie Jean King championed, to be known as the "Rosie Casals and Pancho Gonzales Tennis Center". Billie Jean King is an incredible ambassador for California and as a native of Long Beach she undoubtedly inspires so many in this community.

Every young person and adult should know Billie Jean's story and be inspired by what is possible with hard work and determination. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people can go to learn and gather and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. Naming the library after Billie Jean King would be an honor for her and for the City of Long Beach. It would emphasize and elevate the story of a Long Beach native that is the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality. What an inspiration it would be!

I am happy to answer any questions and lend my full support to the naming of the Main Library as "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library". Let's all be on the right side of history.

Sincerely,

Janet S. Dial, Executive Director California State University, Los Angeles Billie Jean King Tennis Center 1040 Park Ave. Long Beach, CA 90804 (562) 438-8509 Follow Us on Facebook www.facebook.com/BJKLB



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Cathy Jacobson-Guzy

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council,

In reference to the naming of the new Long Beach Main Library, I would like to recommend it being named after Billie Jean King.

I started playing tennis back in 1970 when I was 9 years old. It was a family sport—my parents were my first teachers. They introduced me and my sister to the game and the sport I grew to love, excel at, and would eventually become the focal point of a successful career, including being the Director of Tennis for over 25 years at Billie Jean King Tennis Center here in Long Beach. I am convinced none of this would have been possible without the groundbreaking, pioneering work of Long Beach legend, Billie Jean King.

I am honored to call Billie Jean a good friend and former business partner. Not only has she inspired and continues to inspire young girls and women to pick up a tennis racquet and compete, but because of her daring leadership and willingness to break norms, she paved the way for women to receive equal pay for their skills and talents at a time when this concept was practically unheard of, and was certainly not in the political spotlight as it is today. A tennis icon and activist, she broke ranks with the male-dominated USTA, formed the WTA (Women's Tennis Association) and fought courageously for equal rights and equal pay for women, fulfilling her lifelong dream to give women's tennis the prominence it deserved.

Yes, Billie Jean is a fighter, and she is a winner. In typical Billie Jean fashion, she won the "Battle of the Sexes" tennis match against Bobby Riggs in 1973, which not only promoted and recognized women's tennis, but also broke TV records, being viewed by 90 million people worldwide.

Our Long Beach native, Billie Jean King, has worked tirelessly to give back to the sport she loves, to the community she grew up in, and to the friends and associates who have supported her along her journey. Not only is she a tennis icon, former World #1, and champion who holds 39 Grand Slam titles, more importantly she's an inspiration to us all as a human being. Her life is a shining example for each of us, sending the message that it is possible to make significant change in the world. She inspires us to become the best we can be, fight for what we believe is right, achieve our highest goals and aspirations, and show kindness and generosity toward others.

The Long Beach community should be deeply humbled, honored and proud to call Billie Jean King one of our own. What better way to show our appreciation to this wonderful pioneer of women's rights, this woman of strength, tenacity, integrity, and courage by naming the new Long Beach Main Library after Billie Jean King.

Cathy Jacobson

President- First Serve Tennis, Inc.

June 5, 2019

Dear Mayor Garcia and City Council,

I am writing to express my support for the proposed naming of the new downtown library after Billie Jean King.

As a lifetime resident of Long Beach, I do believe her background and international recognition as a Long Beach native while setting new cultural standards is befitting of this recognition.

The naming of the Billie Jean King Library would be a great message for generations to come on how to pursue dreams and achieve at the highest level.

While I have never met Ms. King, I do believe the message of naming the library for such a strong individual It is a natural fit and excellent message.

Thank you for your consideration.

John Costello

John Costello 2844 Radnor Avenue Long Beach, CA 90815 jjcbeme@yahoo.com



June 2019

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council,

My name is Benny Garcia and I have been a resident in the city of Long Beach for over 15 years. I have worked in the sports industry my entire career most recently with the Los Angeles Lakers and now currently in the athletic department of Long Beach State (3 years). It has come to my attention that the new library in downtown will be renamed once it opens. I don't know if there is anyone more deserving then our own Billie Jean King.

Billie Jean King has been a role model for so many people across the country and abroad. This would be a perfect opportunity to educate and inspire future generations of our youth on her importance. Not only is she considered one of the best tennis players of all-time but more importantly a pioneer for social justice.

She embodies everything that is Long Beach. Her push for gender equality and leadership in all facets of social justice make her the perfect person for every youth in our community to see upon entering the library.

Thank you,

Benny Garcia Director, Sales and Service



June 3, 2019

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council:

I am honored and excited to support the effort to name the new main library downtown after Billie Jean King. As a History teacher and Varsity tennis coach at Long Beach Poly High School for over twenty-six years I can't think of anyone else who more embodies what our city should represent and continue striving to be like. As a graduate of Long Beach Poly High School, Ms. King's life, and accomplishments are a reminder to my students and players of what's possible in their lives through hard work and dedication. As a teacher I have also used examples from her life to help my students and players better understand that there is more to their lives than just playing a game or winning. In my opinion, these are qualities that make her an excellent candidate and role model to represent the city. I wholeheartedly recommend her and appreciate your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Ricardo A. Montecinos AP US History Teacher Girls/Boys Varsity Tennis Coach



Millikan High School 2800 Snowden Avenue Long Beach, CA 90815 (562) 425-7441

May 31, 2019

Re: Support of Naming the Long Beach Main Library after the great Billie Jean King

Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council:

My name is Torie Frapwell and I am a teacher and tennis coach at Millikan High School in Long Beach, CA. I have been the tennis coach at Millikan for 13 years now and have worked with hundreds of young tennis players in that time.

I personally began playing tennis when I was 8 years old at El Dorado Tennis Center in Long Beach. I also played on the Millikan Tennis Team in high school and have been a huge supporter of Long Beach State Tennis as a CSULB Alumni. Needless to say, tennis has been an important part of my life in the City of Long Beach as far back as I can remember. One of my fondest memories was meeting Linsay Davenport back in the late 90's. As a strong female tennis player, she was one of my idols.

Today, the players on my team don't know who Lindsay Davenport is, but when we talk about great women in tennis, they ALL know Billie Jean King. We all take great pride in the fact that such an incredible woman and role model is from Long Beach.

I believe that naming the new public library after such an important female figure from our city sends a positive message to the countless young athletes of Long Beach. We need to recognize and honor more women like Billie Jean King to help guide our youth towards positive and healthy lifestyles.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions or concerns. tfrapwell@lbschools.net

Sincerely,

Torie Frapwell

Millikan High School Head Tennis Coach PEACE Academy, English 3-4 AVID, 12th Grade June 1, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

It has been called to my attention that the City of Long Beach is considering changing the name of our downtown public library. Our city-by-the-sea has long been associated with diversity, acceptance and excellence for several generations. There are many people in our community that may fit into the collaboration of these exceptional categories, but no one represents these ideals more than our "native daughter", BillyJean King.

What better way to embrace our community and our library than to brand it with a name that embraces the values of Long Beach and a life well-lived in our city. Billy Jean King grew up in an era that was less than accepting of the power of women and untraditional relationships, but as she advocated for gender equality and social justice in the world of sports, she also increased these issues for women in the everyday world. In no small way, she helped all of us, in our City Long Beach, to eventually embrace these values as well.

Please consider rewarding this exemplary woman by naming our library after Billy Jean King. Not only would this be a tribute to her, but a badge of courage to be displayed for our lovely city.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful consideration and honor to Billy Jean King.

Kindly,

Marilyn Frapwell Resident of the City of Long Beach for 40 years Dear Honorable Mayor Garcia and City Council members,

I am writing on behalf of the Long Beach Tennis Patrons organization, of which I have been a member for forty years. This organization was founded in Long Beach in 1955 to aid, assist, encourage and develop promising amateur tennis players. We are the organization which helped to send Billie Jean Moffit, then a student at Long Beach Poly High School, to Wimbledon. While we are proud that the name of Billie Jean King is being considered for the new Library, we would like to highlight that she is much more than a tennis player. Because of Billie Jean's support of equal opportunity, women as well as men have competitive athletic teams in colleges under Title Nine. Just as both men and women, rich or poor, have equal rights to the wonders of a library, so Billie Jean King has opened the eyes of the world that both women and men should have the right to equal pay for equal work regardless of gender. Before she championed the right of woman players to receive equal pay for winning a tournament, men players winning the same tournament received much more money.

Billie Jean King's name stands for important civic ideals. She changed history.

Sincerely,

Jane Quest

Long Beach Tennis Patrons



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 May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I am writing today in support of the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING.

As one of the most significant and important Americans in history – and a native of Long Beach – Billie Jean has led a life committed to equality for all and she developed those values in her hometown of Long Beach. Her contributions to the sports world, and especially to women's sports, are unmatched. I'll never forget, as a girl of 16, watching her beat Bobby Riggs in the tennis match heard 'round the world. It was a powerful moment for girls and women everywhere. And an equally powerful one for boys and men. Since then, I've watched Billie Jean King's leadership in the sports world generally and have admired her philanthropic pursuits. She has always been a tremendous role model in the best sense of the word.

Throughout her career, Billie Jean King, has done more than be an inspiration to women. She has been an inspiration to people of all genders for her accomplishments both in the sports and business arenas. She also has consistently stood up for those without a voice, including LGBTQ people. As Billie Jean always says "the more you know about history, the more you know about yourself." It's hard to imagine a better Long Beach shero after whom the library could be named.

Every young person and adult should know Billie Jean's story and be inspired by what is possible with hard work and determination, no matter what odds may be stacked against you. Libraries at their very core are an integral part of the community where people can go to learn and gather and dream. They are inclusive and inviting for everyone. Naming the library after Billie Jean King would be an honor for her and for the City of Long Beach. It would emphasize and elevate the story of a Long Beach native that is the very epitome of how dreams can become a reality. What an inspiration it would be!

I am happy to answer any questions and lend my full support to the naming of the Main Library as "The Billie Jean King Long Beach Main Library". Let's all be on the right side of history.

Lorri L. Jea

Chief Executive Officer



May 29, 2019

Long Beach City Council Long Beach, California

Dear Members of the Long Beach City Council,

I write today in support of naming the Long Beach Main Library in honor of BILLIE JEAN KING. As Long Beach's most respected and famous native you can do the city no greater honor than to enshrine the name of Billie Jean King on your magnificent new library.

America has many heroes, but there are two athletes, one female, one male, who stand above the rest: Billie Jean King and Jackie Robinson.

That Long Beach could be forever associated with its native, while she is still living, is an opportunity the city should not lose. Billie Jean is the embodiment of leadership and character and having her at the unveiling of the naming of the library would be a thrilling moment in Long Beach history.

You know all the particulars about Billie Jean King's athletic accomplishments. But, to me, it is the standard she has set for equal rights and women's rights that make her the greatest champion of all.

I look forward to being with you when you open your great new library and cheer for our nation's champion when her home town names the Billie Jean King Long Beach Central Library.

Sincerely, Tisturker

Jean Picker Firstenberg President Emerita American Film Institute Member, Board of Trustees California State University

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From:	STANLEY GUZY <highatp03@yahoo.com></highatp03@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 10:49 PM
To:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Support for the Naming of the Long Beach Main Library

Dear Mayor Garcia, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Austin and Councilman Supernaw,

My name is Stan Guzy. I was born in Long Beach at St. Mary's Hospital over 58 years ago. The City of Long Beach has been a very important part of my life. In the early 1950's my father was in the US Navy. After four years, he walked off the USS Iowa in Long Beach. He immediately moved his Mom & Dad along with his new wife and daughter from East St. Louis, Illinois to Long Beach. He was able attend Long Beach State. He played football for Long Beach State. Earned his MBA from Long Beach State. Three of his five children earned bachelors degrees from CSULB. One of his granddaughters is currently attending CSULB. I graduated from CSULB and have lived in Long Beach since 1990.

I would like to support the recommendation by the City Council to rename the Long Beach Main Library after our own Billie Jean King. As the only person the our city to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom, Billie Jean King LOVES Long Beach. She always reminds people that she was a product of the LBUSD and Long Beach Parks Department. During her talks and presentations all around the world she reminds people how if it were not for the Long Beach Century Club and the Long Beach Tennis Patrons she would have never been able to travel to London, England at 17 years old to play in her first Wimbledon Championship in 1961. I would like to see the new Library name after one of Life Magazine's "100 Most Important American's of the 20th Century" and a real Long Beach Legend Billie Jean King.

Sincerely,

Stan Guzy

From:	Alexis McDonald <alexis.mcd2@gmail.com></alexis.mcd2@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:58 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Billie Jean King Library Recommendation- A. McDonald
Attachments:	B. Jean King.pdf

Hello All,

Please see my attached letter of recommendation for the naming of the Long Beach Public Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Thank you for you consideration.

Alexis McDonald

July 14, 2019

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is a Alexis McDonald, and I am writing this letter as a 36 year member of the Long Beach community, member of the Board of Directors for the Long Beach Century Club and a individual who is in full support of the Long Beach Public Library being renamed in honor of Billie Jean King.

I was raised in both the gym and the library within the city of Long Beach as my father was a coach at Long Beach State for most of my youth and my Grandmother was a Librarian for the city of Long Beach for 35 years at Mark Twain, North and El Dorado for the first 15 years of my life. Other than the continual importance of family and foundation that was taught to myself and my brother in our home the lessons we were taught came from both athletics and continuing our education in the public library's. The library was a place we were able to focus on our education and remember that without this we were not able to move forward with our desires to play sports.

A little back story on myself, I was born into a athletic family as my father is a member of the Long Beach State & Century Club Hall of Fame, was a 1974 first round NBA draft pick; my uncle was a top track athlete at Long Beach Poly and Long Beach City College under the legendary Ron Allice; my brother is a 1997 Poly PACE graduate who went on the play basketball at Stanford University and I graduated from Poly in 2000 and went on to play volleyball at University of Washington. I say all of this to say that as important as athletics has been in our family as it continued to build a community and foundation education remained as the foundation of who we are.

As a female athlete who played sports within the city of Long Beach for my entire youth and now work as an Assistant Athletic Director, Acādemic & Student Services for a surrounding University the work that Billie Jean King has not just encompassed her role as a athlete in the community, but more importantly as a advocate at a national level to inclusion and diversity with her impact in the Title IX conversation. Prior to the passing of the Title IX in 1971 only 1% of college athletic budgets went to females and there was a unproportionate number of male to female athletes in the high school level until the passing of the bill. As you are aware not only does the bill focus on athletics and assuring there is equal number of male to females teams but more importantly the ability to attend public schools including colleges to continue their education.

Billie Jean King's impact stretches past the masses of just athletics with her role in the passing of Title IX which allows young men and women to understand that their education is important in maintaining their ability to compete in the sports they love. Since the inception of Title IX female participation in high school and college sports has increased by a total of 1100%. Athletics teaches drive, determination, leadership, communication while also showing the importance of education and the rolls it plays in athletics.

As I have mentioned I am in support of the Long Beach Main Library being named in honor of Billie Jean King as she does not just represent years athletic honors and recognition both in the community and internationally. But also, her years of educational growth and contribution to females in sport and their impact in educational resources. Title IX does not only impact athletics, but it impacts public schooling and athletics as a whole.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and for taking the time to read my recommendation.

From:	Ann Hayashi <annkh14@gmail.com></annkh14@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:40 PM
То:	Al Austin; Dee Andrews; Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Re:Billie Jean King library naming

Dear Vice Mayor Dee Andrews, Council members Al Austin and Daryl Supernaw,

I am a fellow tennis friend of Billie Jean King and am writing in support of naming the new main Long Beach Library after her.

Throughout Billie's life you always read and heard of her support for her hometown of Long Beach. She was very proud to grow up and start her tennis career there!

Her parents continued to live there until their deaths so Billie was always in contact with Long Beach one way or another.

She is truly your home grown heroine that should rightly be honored! And naming your new main library after her would be a great honor!

Sincerely, Ann Kiyomura Hayashi

Sent from my iPhone

From:	irishace <irishace@cox.net></irishace@cox.net>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:40 PM
То:	Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	LB naming your Public Library The Billie Jean King name

I have been a longtime friend and Tennis patron of Miss Billie Jean King. The opportunity to help Nate in the library after Billie Jean King would give both the area and the library and namesake to someone who helps all walks of life. Thanks Tom Brennan

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: valter paiva <valtertennis1@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:38 PM Dee Andrews Library - Billlie Jean King

To Dee Andrews, Al Austin, Daryl Supernaw and Robert Garcia! How are you doing?

This is Valter Paiva, one of the tennis instructors at the Billie Jean King Tennis Center. I am writing this email in support of the naming Billie Jean King Main library of Long Beach. " The whole community of Long Beach will benefit from it because Billie Jean King's name is worldwide recognized will drive more people to explore the library by habit and/ or interest"

Valter Paiva Head Pro of the Billie Jean King Tennis Center Office: (562) 266-8882 Cel: (714) 318-0178 Email: <u>info@valtertennis.com</u> Website: <u>www.ValterTennis.com</u>

"We are what we repeatedly do... Excellence is not an act but a habit." Aristotle

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: irishace <irishace@cox.net> Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:35 PM Al Austin Mayor Library naming BJK

I have been a longtime friend and Tennis patron of Miss Billie Jean King. The opportunity to Help name the library after Billie Jean King would give both the area and the library a name sake to someone who helps all walks of life. Thanks Tom Brennan

Sent from my iPhone

From:irishace <irishace@cox.net>Sent:Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:29 PMTo:Dee AndrewsCc:MayorSubject:Long Beach naming Billie Jean King library

I have been a longtime friend and Tennis patron of Miss Billy Jean King. The opportunity to help name the library after Billy Jean King would give a name-sake to both the area and the library for someone who helps all walks of life.

Thanks Tom Brennan

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Alison Young <4allie39y@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:20 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al.Astin@longbeach.gov; Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Main Library re-naming

As a 10-year, former member of the Long Beach Tennis Patrons, I would like to thoroughly endorse the idea of naming the Main Library after Billie Jean King. The Patrons group was formed in order to financially support Billie Jean in the '50s, at a time when there was no prize money for talented women in the tennis world. We have come so far since those days, on so many fronts, that I think this re-naming would demonstrate how forward-looking the City of Long Beach has been through the years and continues to be today.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, Alison Young

From:	susie atwood <susieatwood@gmail.com></susieatwood@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 9:13 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Support for naming the Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King

Councilman Andrews, Councilman Austin, Councilman Supernaw,

I am writing in support of Billie Jean King by naming the main library in her honor. As a native of Long Beach, a product of Long Beach schools, a two time Olympic swimmer and nearly 30 year local business owner, I can't think of a person more deserving. She is far more than a champion on the court—her vision extends far beyond the sports world. She has been a continual crusader for social justice women's equality. She was a tireless advocate for Title IX. Her influence and success has helped steer woman like myself into sports as well as business. I appreciate your consideration of naming the library in her honor.

Sincerely,

Susie Atwood

Susie Atwood susieatwood@gmail.com

From: Sent:	Samantha Guzy <samantharoseguzy@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 8:00 PM</samantharoseguzy@gmail.com>
To:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4; Mayor
Subject:	Library Naming

My name is Samantha Guzy and I am sending you this email in full support of naming the main library after the great Billie Jean King. She has done so much for my family, the city of Long Beach, and not only tennis but all sports. I think this will be great for the community and all of the citizens of Long Beach. You have my 100% full support of the Billie Jean King Library.

Thank you, Samantha Guzy

From:	Cathy Jacobson <first.serve@verizon.net></first.serve@verizon.net>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 7:23 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
	District 4; Mayor
Subject:	Library naming

Dear Mayor Garcia, Councilman Andrews, Councilman Austin and Councilman Supernaw

I'm writing you this email in support of naming our Main Library after the great Billie Jean King. I met Billie in 1990 in Phoenix Arizona when I was considering a partnership with her and two others to operate both Billie Jean King and El Dorado Park Tennis Center's. Needless to say we were awarded the proposal and formed the Kings Aces Corporation.

I immediately created a business and personal relationship with Billie and I have never met anyone with more passion, energy, devotion and loyalty.

Obviously, we all know that she is deserving of having a tennis center named in her behalf being a Long Beach native and one of the greatest female tennis players of all time who's life accomplishments go way beyond the scope of tennis.

She loves Long Beach so much and speaks about our city in all of her speeches around the world. It's because of her efforts, professional women's tennis came into it's own and players won prize money equal to their male counterparts. I personally received a tennis scholarship to the University of Pittsburgh because of Title 9 and Billie Jean.

I can speak for our players, customers and tennis pros that Billie deserves to be recognized for this great honor and wants to get more involved in Long Beach which will be great for the community and create a better world for generations to come.

Thanks so much,

Cathy Jacobson

Sent by Cathy's iPhone

From:	Massolit <massolit@aol.com></massolit@aol.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 7:07 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al.Austin@longbeach.gov; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Naming the new Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King!

Dear Committee Members,

I understand you are meeting tomorrow, and one of the items on your agenda is the naming of the new Main Library. I'm writing to strongly urge you to vote to name it the BILLIE JEAN KING MAIN LIBRARY.

With so many complicated issues facing political leaders today, this one seems like a no-brainer. Billie Jean is a native daughter of Long Beach who has been a proud ambassador for the city her whole life. She's also a true American Hero, who has fought for justice and equality for all people since her earliest days. She's been a voice of courage and an inspiration to people all over the world.

How wonderful would it be for our sons and daughters, when they pass through the library doors, to look up and see Billie Jean King's name and continue to be inspired by her example!

I hope you will vote tomorrow to name the library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Respectfully yours,

Mark Driscoll

From:	rzummallen@gmail.com
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 7:02 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 6; Council District 8; Council
	District 4
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Library Discussion

Hello committee members,

I am writing to support the naming of the new main library after Billie Jean King, a tireless human rights advocate and exemplary symbol of the inclusiveness, acceptance and excellence that Long Beach represents to so many within the city and beyond.

In a city renowned for its parks, creativity and diversity both of population and available activities, Ms. King embodies the best qualities and attributes Long Beach has to offer and fearlessly carries these with her wherever she goes. She is an inspiration to any Long Beach dreamer, but in particular young girls, and especially my own skateboarding and karate-kicking daughter, to follow up ambition with hard work and class locally and around the world.

We are fortunate to call Ms. King our own and the dedication of our newest civic institution is a fitting and beautiful tribute to her ambassadorship on our behalf.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Ryan K. ZumMallen 562.719.4233

From: Sent: To: Subject: Mark Halloran <mrkhalloran@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 6:47 PM Mayor Re-naming the Long Beach Main Library

Mayor Garcia,

Please lend your vote to renaming the Main Library the Billie Jean King Main Library. Ms. King represents the standard bearer of acceptance and inclusion in all human endeavors, not just sports. Please vote yes!

Thank you,

Mark Halloran Long Beach Century Club Past President

From: Sent: To: Subject: Jean Firstenberg <jpf313@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 6:42 PM Mayor Fwd: BILLIE JEAN KING

Council member Al Austin, I write in support of the naming of the new Long Beach Library in honor of the great Billie Jean King. Long Beach proud native would bring even stronger recognition to this marvelous facility. I hope you agree. Sincerely, Jean Picker Firstenberg Trustee California State University

Jean Firstenberg jpf313@gmail.com 323.697.9167

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Jean Firstenberg <jpf313@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 6:41 PM Daryl Supernaw Mayor BILLIE JEAN KING

Council member Daryl Supernaw I write in support of naming the new Long Beach Library in honor of the great Billie Jean King. Naming this new facility in honor of such a distinguished Long Beach native is most appropriate. Sincerely, Jean Picker Firstenberg Trustee California State University

JeanPickerFirstenberg jpf313@gmail.com 323.697.9167

From: Sent: To: Subject: Susan Nardi <suznardi@yahoo.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 6:22 PM Mayor Library

Dear Mayor Garcia,

I am writing this letter to support the naming of the new library in Long Beach after Billie Jean King. She is not only one of the greatest athletes of the past 100 years in sports, but has blaze a trail of social consciousness that has cause society to create an equal opportunities for all in sports and life. I am one of millions of people who have been effected by Title 9, a movement that Billie Jean King champion. She continues to challenge us all to except those in the LBGT community.

I can think of no better way to honor one of the city of Long Beach notable residents that has had such a multifaceted influence to improve the world then to name this library after Billie Jean King.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,

Susan F. Nardi

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From: Sent: To:	Linda Rambis <lrambis@la-lakers.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 6:18 PM Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 6; Daryl Supernaw; Distric4 @longbeach.gov</lrambis@la-lakers.com>
Cc:	Mayor; Linda Rambis
Subject:	Billie Jean King and Long Beach library

Dear Council members,

It is our understanding that you are currently considering honoring Billie Jean King by renaming the Long Beach library in her name. There is no better example of a person born and raised in your beautiful town who has stood for more than Billie Jean has stood for. The past 5 decades Billie Jean has championed the cause of equality by using tennis to spread her message. She has advocated for the betterment and acceptance of all people and was instrumental in passing Title IX which has benefited thousands of athletes with gender equality.

Being born and raised in Long Beach she has had the opportunity to share her progressive visions with the world, as her championship tennis career gave her the audience and the platform to change the way people think about equality and gender. She has been an incredible ambassador for the city of Long Beach on the global stage with her passion and commitment to equality for all. Her roots began in the Long Beach community and her love for her birthplace still drives her, as she continues to be a pioneer in the causes of equality and the betterment for all humankind.

It is for these reasons and many more that we ask that you strongly consider renaming the Long Beach library after Billie Jean King, a true Long Beach hero!

Sincerely, Linda and Kurt Rambis

From:		DELAINE MAST <dmast4@aol.com></dmast4@aol.com>
Sent:	1	Sunday, July 14, 2019 5:42 PM
То:		Darryl.Supernaw@longbeach.gov; Council District 4
Cc:		Mayor
Subject:		Fwd: Support of Naming Billie Jean King Main Library

> Dear Council Member Daryl Supernaw,

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> I am in full support of the new Long Beach Main Library being named after one of Long Beach's very own, Billie Jean King. Ms. King has lived her entire life as an inspiring example of doing good and working and speaking on behalf of injustice not just on the tennis court but in business and society. She has been a voice for everyone and the world is a better place because of her accomplishments and efforts. She has always spoken directly and with honesty, challenging the powers that be to fight for what is right.

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> She is also a HUGE supporter of Leadership and Education! She knows the importance of knowing our history and how important reading is to learning and opening doors!

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> What could be more inspiring for the residents of Long Beach and those who visit from all over the world to see the name Billie Jean King Main Library.

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> Please pass this measure.

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> Sincerely,

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> Delaine Mast

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Louise Guest <LGuest@lbschools.net> Sunday, July 14, 2019 5:36 PM Daryl Supernaw Mayor Renaming Main Library

Dear Councilmember Supernaw,

I support renaming the Main Library to "The Billy Jean King Main Library." I am a lifelong library patron and feel this renaming would be an honor for the Cory of Long Beach.

Kind regards, Louise Guest Coach, Wilson Bruinettes

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Louise Guest <LGuest@lbschools.net> Sunday, July 14, 2019 5:33 PM Al Austin Mayor

Dear Councilmember Austin,

I support the renaming of the Main Library to "The Billy Jean King Main Library."

Kind regards,

Louise Guest Coach, Wilson Bruinettes

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From: Sent: To:	Jeffrey A. Evans <jaevans@lbschools.net> Sunday, July 14, 2019 5:30 PM Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4</jaevans@lbschools.net>
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Support for Renaming Main Library for BJK

Committee Members,

I would be in support of renaming the Main Library for Billie Jean King.

Billie Jean King is a person who is viewed in high esteem not only in athletics, but in the Long Beach Community and the United States. She is a great champion for title IX and equality in athletics.

As an athletic director, coach, and teacher, I always impress upon student-athletes the importance of education. Tying an athlete (Billie Jean King) to a library helps to further emphasize the importance of education for student-athletes.

The Los Angeles Dodgers have a campaign to encourage reading in youth. As part owner, Billie Jean King can further this cause as well, and naming the Main Library in her honor will only further solidify the importance of encouraging youth to read.

Thank you for reading this email, and I hope you vote in support of renaming the Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Thanks, Jeff

Jeffrey A. Evans, Athletic Director Long Beach Wilson High School

From:
Sent:
To:
Cc:
Subject:

Abigail Villena <abagirltennis@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 5:04 PM Al Austin Council District 8; Mayor RE: Naming of the Main Library

Dear Council member Al Austin,

I am the Head Tennis Teaching pro at The Billie Jean King Tennis Center located in Long Beach. Having been able to play on a college scholarship because of Title 9 and Billie Jean King's involvement in advancing educational opportunities for girls I can't see anybody more suitable to be the Library namesake. I was able to graduate on the dean's list and obtain a scholarship for a college education because of Billie Jean King. And she has continued to inspire me to teach tennis to more girls in Long Beach while helping them follow their dreams.

AbaGirl Tennis Aba Villena | Head Tennis Pro Billie Jean King Tennis Center 1040 Park Avenue | Long Beach 90804 T <u>562.4</u>38.8509 | C <u>310.991.0337</u> LIVE. LOVE. LAUGH.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Gene Simpson <simpson_gene@yahoo.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:39 PM Mayor BJK

I'M GENE SIMPSON AND I PLAYED FOR LONG BEACH STATE'S TENNIS TEAM BACK IN THE LATE 60'S, WHEN BILLIE JEAN MOFFIT PLAYED FOR LA STATE. WE WERE ALSO SIDE BY SIDE AT OJAI TENNIS TOURNAMENT NEAR MAILIBU.

AT THAT TIME, VERY FEW OF US KNEW WHO SHE WAS, BUT I DO REMEMBER THAT SHE INCREDIBLE TALENTED & A JOY TO WATCH. SHE WON THE TOURNAMENT & I LOST IN THE FIRST ROUND.

SHE SINGLE-HANDEDLY BROUGHT WOMEN'S TENNIS OUT OF A SIDE SHOW ATTRACTION TO THE MAIN FEATURE. THE WOMEN PLAYERS TODAY SHOULD PAY TRIBUTE TO HER AND ALL SHE'S DONE.

NAMING THE LIBRARY???? YOU SHOULD RENAME LONG BEACH "BJK CITY". FOLKS! DO THE RIGHT THING FOR THIS PIONEER OF ALL WOMEN!

APPRECIATE & THANK YOU

GENE SIMPSON

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Joe Carlson <joecarlson1951@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:29 PM Daryl Supernaw Mayor Long Beach Main Library Naming

Dear Daryl,

We wish to add our voices to Long Beach citizens in support of naming the Long Beach Main Library in recognition of Billie Jean King, one of the most influential individuals identified with our diverse city. We don't feel we need to educate you on Ms. King's breadth of attributes and accomplishments. However, we do firmly believe that she has been a great ambassador for much of what is positive about the community in which we have lived throughout or lifetimes and is worthy of this distinction.

Take care.

Joe Carlson & Debbie Hughes

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Gabrielle Guzy <gabrielle.guzy@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:29 PM Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw Mayor Long Beach Library

Hello,

My name is Gabrielle Guzy and I have known Billie Jean King since I was a baby. I have been very fortunate to have met her several times and have been at many events with her. Her passion, enthusiasm and love for not only the sport of tennis but for life is incredible to me. I can't see anyone more fitting to have a library named after. She is a Long Beach legend and so many people in this community loves and supports her! This will be a great addition for our City!

Thank you,

Gabrielle Guzy

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Joe Carlson <joecarlson1951@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:27 PM Al Austin Mayor Long Beach Main Public Library Naming

Dear Al,

We wish to add our voices to Long Beach citizens in support of naming the Long Beach Main Library in recognition of Billie Jean King, one of the most influential individuals identified with our diverse city. We don't feel we need to educate you on Ms. King's breadth of attributes and accomplishments. However, we do firmly believe that she has been a great ambassador for much of what is positive about the community in which we have lived throughout or lifetimes and is worthy of this distinction.

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Joe Carlson & Debbie Hughes

From:	Mitch Bridge <mitch@sctennisacademy.com></mitch@sctennisacademy.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:11 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; district4
	@longbrwch.gov; Mayor
Subject:	New main library naming

Dear Housing and Neighborhoods Committee,

I am writing this letter on behalf of naming the new main library after Billie Jean King. My name is Mitch Bridge, and I teach tennis and run a tennis academy at El Dorado Park Tennis Center in Long Beach, CA.

Billie has been one of the biggest advocates for equality in this country and the world. She is the biggest reason female professional tennis players earns equal pay as the men and her push for title 9 has done more for female college athletes than any other person.

BJK is one Long Beach's most famous icons and also represents our city well. I am a Long Beach State graduate class of 1987 and also a current resident. I would be very proud of our city to have a library in her name.

Best,

Mitch Bridge Director/Head Coach Southern California Tennis Academy <u>sctennisacademy.com</u> 949-439-6810

From:	Gene Simpson <simpson_gene@yahoo.com></simpson_gene@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:09 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; dary.supernaw@longbeach.gov; Mayor; first.serve@verizon.net
Subject:	BJK LIBRARY

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APPRECIATE & THANK YOU

GENE SIMPSON

From:	Helen Russell <helenrr@gmail.com></helenrr@gmail.com>	
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:04 PM	
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council	
	District 4	
Cc:	Mayor	
Subject:	Support of Naming Billie Jean King Main Library	i.

I am in full support of the new Long Beach Main Library being named after one of Long Beach's very own, Billie Jean King. Ms. King has lived her entire life as an inspiring example of doing good and working and speaking on behalf of injustice not just on the tennis court but in business and life. She has been a voice for everyone and the world is a better place because of her accomplishments and efforts. She has always spoken directly and with honesty challenging the powers that be to fight for what is right.

What could be more inspiring for the residents of Long Beach and those who visit from all over the world to see the name Billie Jean King Main Library.

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Please pass this measure.

Helen Russell

From:	Marc Trinidad <mtrinidad389@gmail.com></mtrinidad389@gmail.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 4:00 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
	District 4; Mayor
Subject:	Long Beach Library Name

To whom it may concern,

My name is Marc Trinidad, and I would like to show my support in the naming of the new library after Billie Jean King. Being a Long Beach native, the city would not only be honoring one of their own, it would be honoring a wonderful person who has done so much to help so many different groups of people. I highly recommend her name for the new library and am in full support.

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Thank you so much for your time, -Marc Trinidad

From:	Q <flsusiq@aol.com></flsusiq@aol.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 3:58 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
	District 4; Mayor
Subject:	BillieJean King Library!!

I would like to address your office in support of naming the Long Beach Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Her tireless effort and work over the decades for the sport of tennis, Title IX and continued efforts for equality in humankind stems back from her roots right back here in Long Beach...let's do this! What an honor for Billie Jean and Long Beach both!

L. Susi Dunn-Moorhead Peace, Love, Happiness & Sports Always!

Sent from my iPhone XS Max

From:	Vern Schooley <vschooley@fulpat.com></vschooley@fulpat.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 3:39 PM
То:	Mayor
Subject:	ВЈК

Mayor, you could do no better then name the library after LB's own, Billie Jean King. Strong name recognition as a positive force and without political undertones Best Vern

Vern Schooley Partner FULWIDER • PATTON LLP Intellectual Property Law 6100 Center Drive, Suite 1200 | Los Angeles, CA 90045 Direct Dial: (310) 242-2712 | Fax: (310) 824-9696 | Main: (310) 824-5555 Email: <u>vschooley@fulpat.com</u> | <u>www.fulpat.com</u>

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From:	John Fylpaa <jfylpaa@att.net></jfylpaa@att.net>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 3:08 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
	District 4
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Naming of New Main Library

Dear Councilmembers,

There is an opportunity for the Housing and Neighborhood Committee to make an important recommendation to the entire City Council regarding the naming of the new main library, one which will significantly impact the entire city. This email is in support of naming the new main library after Billie Jean King.

There is no other citizen who has come from Long Beach who is internationally recognized in the same manner as this iconic woman. In addition to her sport skills, business skills, and abilities as an author; Billie Jean King has progressively represented not only her hometown, but many others as well in terms of equality and education. Our library is about providing the opportunity for individuals to learn and learn we can from the life experiences and important advocacy from Billie Jean King. It is my hope and the hope of many that your will make the recommendation to the City Council to name the new library the Billie Jean King Main Library.

Thank you for your consideration.

John R. Fylpaa, Ed.D.

From:	Kevin Vilensky <kvsky@aol.com></kvsky@aol.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 2:09 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Proposed naming of the Long Beach Main Library in Honor of Billie Jean King

Mr. Mayor and Honorable City Council Members,

I am a native of Long Beach since 1951. I attended schools here, had a business here and consider myself very privileged to have grown up in a City so diversified as this one. I have always been a believer that we should take care of our own and with that said, Billie Jean King would be an appropriate name to place on the new Long Beach Main Library. She is an Icon with roots here. She has given back to this community and has opened the doors for many. As Century Club President Sharleen Higa stated at the last Council meeting, Education and Sports go hand and hand.

I urge you to approve the naming of the Long Beach Main Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Thank you,

Kevin Vilensky Long Beach Century Club Membership Chair 2019-20

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Dan Gooch <dangooch66@gmail.com> Sunday, July 14, 2019 1:42 PM Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw Mayor Support for naming the Library after Billie Jean King

I fully support this as she is an inspiration to us all. I will be speaking at the sub-committee meeting in favor of the motion. I can think of no better example to name this building after.

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Daniel P. Gooch dangooch66@gmail.com 562-896-0475

From:	BENJAMIN GOLDBERG <councilman@aol.com></councilman@aol.com>
Sent:	Sunday, July 14, 2019 2:07 AM
То:	Council District 6; Council District 4; Council District 8
Cc:	Council District 3; Mayor
Subject:	Naming of Library after Billie Jean King

To Housing Committee,

As a native of Long Beach and a Commisioner for the city currently and for the past 12 years, I feel good about naming the Library after Billie Jean King. Her roots are Long Beach, she brought attention and has helped people all over the country and has never forgotten Long Beach and constantly refers to Long Beach and Long Beach Century Club when speaking to issues of fairness for women and LGBTQ rights.

Ben Goldberg 6300 E Vermont St Long Beach, CA. 90803 Sent from AOL Mobile Mail

From: Sent: To: Subject: Scheraq Hassim <scheraq@signexpression.biz> Tuesday, July 16, 2019 11:57 AM Mayor New Library Name

I am a coach at the Billie Jean King Tennis Center and I am in support of the Long Beach Public Library to be renamed BJK Public Library.

thanks Scheraq Hassim - Owner SignExpression 562.235.5611

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Erik Van't Hof <erik.v.vanthof@gmail.com> Monday, July 15, 2019 6:25 PM Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw Mayor Naming the Long Beach Library

Dear : Vice Mayor -Dee Andrews Council member- Al Austin Council member- Daryl Supernaw

My name is Erik Van't Hof. I have been involved in tennis for most of my life, including participating in the Long Beach Tennis patrons as a junior tennis player. I think it would be wonderful to have the Long Beach Library named after a pioneer to the game of tennis and more importantly to women's equality. Please take into consideration Billie Jean's accomplishments on and off the court. Thank you for your time.

Erik Van't Hof

E-Mail: erik.v.vanthof@gmail.com

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From:	Scott Nishimura <ootbox.thinker@gmail.com></ootbox.thinker@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 6:03 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor; Council District 4; Council District 6; Council District 8
Subject:	Billie Jean King main library

I am writing to express my support for naming the main library after tennis great and pioneer Billie Jean King: she has tremendous world-wide recognition in the tennis world and beyond for her achievements both on and off the tennis court. Such a naming would honor a great native daughter.

Thank you.

Scott Nishimura

From: Sent: To: Pamela O'Leary <pamoleary@yahoo.com> Monday, July 15, 2019 5:08 PM Mayor

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Please vote to change Main Library to Billie Jean King Library Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From: Sent: To: Subject: Therese Wright <tlwright43@msn.com> Monday, July 15, 2019 3:27 PM Mayor BJK library name

Dear Mayor Garcia,

We very much support renaming the main library after Billie Jean King who has brought such positive attention to our city.

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Thank you, Therese Wright and Larry Quatrone

Sent from Mail for Windows 10

From:	Jordan Bridge <jordan@sctennisacademy.com></jordan@sctennisacademy.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 2:34 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; Mayor
Subject:	Naming the new main library after the great Billie Jean King

Dear Housing and Neighborhoods Committee,

I am writing this letter on behalf of naming the new main library after Billie Jean King. I am a tennis Coach at El Dorado Park Tennis Center, Director/ Head Coach at SC Tennis Academy.

Unfortunately, i can not attend to the meeting today at 2:30 pm due to work, i just wanted to reach out to you through e-mail.

I would be very proud of our city to have a library after the great Billie Jean King. She is one of the greatest women's tennis player of all time.

Thank you.

Jordan Bridge Southern California Tennis Academy www.sctennisacademy.com (562) 704 - 2241 office (970) 314 - 3743 cell



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From:	Ayca Gumuscu <ayca@sctennisacademy.com></ayca@sctennisacademy.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 2:26 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; Mayor
Subject:	Naming the New Main Library After the great Billie Jean King!

Dear Housing and Neighborhoods Committee,

I am writing this letter on behalf of naming the new main library after Billie Jean King. I am a tennis Coach at El Dorado Park Tennis Center working for SC Tennis Academy.

Billie Jean King is the biggest reason female professional tennis players are getting paid equally with men and she has been huge for tennis sport.

I am a Long Beach resident and I would be very proud of our city to have a library after her name.

Unfortunately, i can not attend to the meeting today at 2:30 pm due to work, i just wanted to reach out to you through e-mail.

Thank you.

Ayca Gumuscu Southern California Tennis Academy www.sctennisacademy.com (562) 704 - 2241 office (312) 363 - 9491 cell





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From:	debra kahookele <dlkahook@gmail.com></dlkahook@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 1:31 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Mayor; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw;
	Council District 4
Subject:	Naming Committee for Billie Jean King

Hello,

I'm reaching out to you as a long term Downtown Long Beach resident since 2009 in support of naming the City's new Main Library after Billie Jean King. I've been very involved in downtown LB for awhile, President of PARA - Promenade Area Residents Association 2013-2018 and now Past President, LBDN - Long Beach Day Nursery Executive Board member 2017-2019, DLBA Safety Committee - various years, HMPP - Harvey Milk Committee 2013 to Present, current Chair/Co-Chair, a member of the LB Rotary and a local Realtor.

I am writing to you representing myself as a LB Resident, I was in attendance at last weeks City Council meeting and heard most of the arguments for and against it and after much thought I am in complete support of naming it after Billie Jean King. She is a native, humanitarian, sports icon and much more. Her name on one of our most prominent civic buildings will inspire many in our community and throughout our nation to seek out further who she is and how she has helped our nation growth in history which is why naming it after her is so ideal. I know some arguments were about naming a tennis court after her instead but a library is so much more appropriate. A tennis court won't instigate why she's named after it but a library would. I feel most younger people don't know her or realize how much she has changed our history and helped woman. This will initiate people to seek information on her and this is what a library represents...a place for information to learn, grow and make a change and this is what she did for all of us.

Thank you, Debra Kahookele RE/MAX Estate Properties BRE 01757031 <u>dlkahook@gmail.com</u> Debra@DKRealtyGrp.com Cell: 310-781-0839 www.homesbydebrak.com

From:	Megan Kerr <mmkerr@lbschools.net></mmkerr@lbschools.net>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 1:08 PM
То:	Mayor; Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4
Subject:	Library Naming recommendation TODAY
Attachments:	BJK Support letter (1).pdf

Good Afternoon,

I am sorry I am unable to be with you today for the Neighborhood meeting. Please see my attached letter of support for the name The Billie Jean King Main Library

Gratefully, Megan Kerr

From:	Bennet Slusarz <bennets@tennismatrix.net></bennets@tennismatrix.net>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 12:59 PM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; Mayor
Subject:	Naming Main Library after Billie Jean King

Dear Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members,

I am in support for naming the main library in Long Beach after Billie Jean King. This would be so appropriate and an awesome tribute to not only our local but national hero!

Thank You,

Bennet Slusarz Founder: TennisMatrix.net Tennis Professional (310) 766-2466

From: Sent: To: Subject: Victoria Foley <foleysfeet@gmail.com> Monday, July 15, 2019 12:42 PM Dee Andrews; Mayor Name on Library

RE: Billie Jean King's name on Library

To Whom It May Concern,

Billy Jean King was a role model for me as a young athlete and student. She paved the way so that I had more opportunities than other woman before me. She believes in equality for all.

I recommend that the library be named after Billie Jean King.

Sincerely,

Dr. Victoria Foley

3747 Worsham Ave #201

Long Beach, CA 90808

From: Sent:	Eric Stephens <lakewood10s@gmail.com> Monday, July 15, 2019 12:19 PM</lakewood10s@gmail.com>
To:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; districe8@longbeach.gov; Daryl Supernaw;
Subject:	Council District 4; Mayor Naming of Main Library - Billie Jean King

To the City Council & Mayor of Long Beach,

I would like to add my name to the many who are supporting the naming of the Main Library after Billie Jean King. As a young person growing up in Long Beach I hit my first tennis ball at the Houghton Park tennis courts. I was told by many at the time that Billie Jean King Moffit also played there often as a young player.

Billie Jean King has done so much for not only women athletes but also equal rights that can not be underestimated. I think the time is right for Long Beach City to give tribute to a wonderful person who always spoke so generously about the fine city of Long Beach, CA.

Thank you Eric Stephens Lakewood Tennis Center 562-496-3530 lakewood10s@gmail.com

From:Arlo Taylor <wttarlo@gmail.com>Sent:Monday, July 15, 2019 11:58 AMCc:MayorSubject:Support for BJK atLibrary

Dear Long Beach Councilmembers,

I continue to support the naming of the new Main Library after Billie Jean King.

We cannot be prouder of her achievements that transcend all barriers and all discrimination, besides being the leading pro female players in the world with numerous athletic achievements.

We should be honored to her allowing us to use her name to grace such a grand structure.

Sincerely,

Arlo Taylor Long Beach resident and World TeamT ennis Director

From: Sent: To: Subject: Karen Unger <KUnger@riohondo.edu> Monday, July 15, 2019 11:54 AM Dee Andrews BILLIE JEAN KING!!!!

Hi all,

I couldn't make it to the meetings, but wanted you to know that I fully support naming the new library after Billie Jean King. I'm sure that you have heard all of the reasons why....grew up in LB, great champion and ambassador, fighter for equal rights and pay, roll model, etc.

Please honor her!!!!

Thank you, Karen Unger Proud Long Beach resident for 42 years

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:	Laetitia Paiva <laetitiaopensesamegrill@gmail.com></laetitiaopensesamegrill@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 11:42 AM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4
Cc: Subject:	Mayor New main Library

Hello,

I am in support of naming the new main Library after Billie Jean King. That would be amazing just like she is.

Thank you.

Laetitia Paiva Manager and Catering Specialist C:562-485-8690 O: 562-621-9015 W: 562-621-1698

From:	John Kosakowski <johnkossak@gmail.com></johnkossak@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 11:25 AM
То:	Dee.Andrew@longbeach.gov; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Main Library

I'm in support of the Main Library being named after the great Billie Jean King

John USTA Tennis Umpire

Sent from my iPhone

From:	Jake Perez <jakeleviperez@gmail.com></jakeleviperez@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 11:22 AM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
	District 4; Mayor
Subject:	New Library

Hello, I am writing to recommend that the new library in Long Beach should be named after Billie Jean King. BJK is a great role model and represents Long Beach well. I believe she deserves to have a library named after her.

Thank you, Jake Perez

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Diane Kosakowski <dianek206@yahoo.com> Monday, July 15, 2019 11:14 AM Dee.Andrew@longbeach.gov; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw Mayor Main Library

I'm in support of the Main Library being named after the great Billie Jean King

Diane USTA Tennis Referee

Sent from my iPhone

From: Sent: To: Subject: Peter Smith <coachpeterlsmith@gmail.com> Monday, July 15, 2019 11:11 AM Mayor Billie Jean King Library

I have lived in Long Beach for 24 of the last 30 years of my life. I would like to put all of my support towards naming the library after the greatest woman's activist and Long Beach sportswoman Billie Jean King. I can not think of a better person to represent our city.

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Thank you for your time.

Peter

Peter Smith

From:	Andres Borowiak <andresborowiak@hotmail.com></andresborowiak@hotmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 10:56 AM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Billie Jean King Library support!

Hello all. A quick email to state that I am fully supportive of naming the downtown library after the legendary Bille Jean King.

Thanks in advance for making this happen. It is so important that the future generations remember and honor her legacy.

-Andres Borowiak

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From:	marciargreen@aol.com
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 10:54 AM
То:	Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 4; Council District 8; Council
	District 6
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	New Long Beach Main Library

Dear Housing & Neighborhood Committee:

I am writing to lend support to naming the new library in honor of Long Beach native, Billie Jean King. She is one of the most important individuals of the 20th and 21st Century and has always spoken highly of her Long Beach upbringing. She is a role model to all and it's important for future generations to know of her legacy. A library named for her in her home town would be a tremendous honor.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Marcia Green

From:Keith Hansen <keithhansen0415@gmail.com>Sent:Monday, July 15, 2019 10:10 AMTo:Mayor; Al Austin; Dee AndrewsSubject:Billy Jean King Main Library

Dear Distinguished Long Beach Council Members:

As a long time resident of Long Beach, I am an advocate for Long Beach's strong athletic history and believe in equality for all. I send my support to name the Main Library the Billy Jean King Main Library. Billy Jean's life long pursuit and advocacy for athletic excellence and equity for all, coupled with her passion and dedication for Long Beach, make her name - Billy Jean King - a perfect symbol for our great city. As a former Long Beach Century Club President, I know firsthand the high regard that Ms. King holds for Long Beach. I send my heartfelt support for the name of the Billy Jean King Main Library.

Sincerely,

Keith Hansen Past Century Club President Retired LBUSD - Wilson HS Principal

Sent from my iPad

Benny Garcia <benny.garcia@csulb.edu></benny.garcia@csulb.edu>
Monday, July 15, 2019 10:04 AM
Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
District 4
Mayor
library naming

City Council -

Please take this email as my recommendation to name the library Billie Jean King Main Library. I think this will appease all and more importantly give the future youth and visitors to the library someone to model their life after. When people come to the library and see her name they will ask why. The "why" is a great, inspiring story that needs to be told. We need to take this opportunity to honor and keep the name/story alive of one of our own.

Thanks,

Benny Garcia

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#LBNATION

From:	Jeanie Buss <jeanieb@la-lakers.com></jeanieb@la-lakers.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 9:51 AM
То:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl.Supernaw@longbeach.govl; Council District 4
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	In Support of Long Beach Library and Billie Jeanie King

Dear Long Beach Government Representatives:

With the greatest respect, I would like to address your office in support of naming the Long Beach Library in honor of Billie Jean King.

Her tireless effort and work over the decades for the sport of tennis, Title IX and continued efforts for equality in humankind stems back from her roots right back here in Long Beach. It is an opportunity to bring focus and national attention to our amazing library.

Let's do this and bring honor to Long Beach and Billie Jean King!

With admiration,

Jeanie Buss CEO / Governor Los Angeles Lakers jeanieb@la-lakers.com

From: Sent: To: Subject: Veronica Coleman <VColeman@lbschools.net> Monday, July 15, 2019 9:39 AM Mayor Billie Jean King Library

Hi Mayor— Ronnie Coleman, principal at Jordan High School here.

I am absolutely in favor of naming our main library in Long Beach the "Billie Jean King Library". She is such a part of the fabric of Long Beach, and has done so much to help girls in education, girls in sports (I wonder if we would have Title IX without her), and equity and diversity everywhere.

Our city is one that honors diversity, and BJK symbolizes that to me as well as symbolizing that hard work pays off, being true to yourself pays off, and that Long Beach is a special place.

I can't think of a better pairing than the source of information, self-actualization, and dreams (our public library) and someone from our city who embodies those things.

Please support the naming our main library the Billie Jean King library. Ronnie

From: Sent: To: Subject: Gross, Daryl J <dgross4@calstatela.edu> Monday, July 15, 2019 9:27 AM Mayor Billie Jean King

Dear Distinguished Leaders of Long Beach California:

It is with great honor that I support and endorse the confirmation of the Billie Jean King Library. Has there ever been a more remarkable person currently, that walks the face of the earth having made a greater impact on the world in terms of fairness, progressiveness, hope and opportunity? The answer is no. What a great time to be affiliated with such a rare and extraordinary icon.

There are not that many "Mother Theresa's' " walking around in the world and the city of Long Beach California just happens to be the birth and development place of such an iconic, impactful legend.

As we all know, Billie Jean King is not just one of the greatest champions ever, but she is also an extraordinary global leader in terms of progressiveness and hope and is recognized worldly for her impactful works and achievements that have moved the needles toward fairness.

I trust that the City of Long Beach will confirm her legacy and utilize her as a beacon of hope for the world.

Best Regards,

Dr. Daryl Gross

Executive Director of Athletics Cal State Los Angeles Former Director of Athletics Syracuse University Member of the Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment Commission

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From:	lee deyoung <leecoread@yahoo.com></leecoread@yahoo.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 9:13 AM
To:	Dee Andrews; Council District 6; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
Cc: Subject:	District 4 Mayor Billie Jean King Library
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Dear esteemed City Council members and Mayor of Long Beach,

My name is Lee DeYoung and I am requesting a consideration for the naming of the library in Long Beach after Billie Jean King. I have been a fan of Billie Jean's throughout her tennis career, but more importantly I've gotten to know her in person through the years when I worked for Wilson Sporting Goods. I was a sports marketing manager for Wilson and my responsibilities included several national projects, one of which was conducting clinics with Billie Jean on behalf of Wilson for her World Team Tennis franchises. I was also responsible in part for managing Wilson's speakers bureau and it was my job to introduce the speakers at events. Whenever I introduced Billie Jean I always prefaced it with "If there is one word that would describe Billie Jean King it would be equality. If you are a woman who has opportunities now that were not available before, thank Billie Jean King. If you are a minority (man or woman) whose rights are now more available, if you are a young woman who has an athletic scholarship in college because of Title IX, as a professional woman athlete if your prize money in sports is now getting closer to those of men, if your civil liberties are now being better recognized and better respected, thank Billie Jean King because she has been either directly or indirectly responsible for all of the above." She is an inspiration to many and I am fortunate and privileged to have known her as I interacted in different capacities. I can speak to her integrity as I negotiated a potential sale of one of her WTT franchises for one of my clients. Although it did not happen, everything on Billie Jean's part was of the highest character.

I humbly ask that you consider naming the library after Billie Jean King for I can think of no better brand for Long Beach than the local girl who made good and made the world a better place.

Sincerely,

Lee DeYoung

From:	MELANIE i <alxnmel@sbcglobal.net></alxnmel@sbcglobal.net>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 9:07 AM
То:	Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; Dee.andrews@longbeach.giv; Council District 4; Council District 6; Council District 8
Cc: Subject:	Mayor BJK Library

To whom it may concern,

I'm writing in support of naming the Long Beach library after Billie Jean King. What an honor not only for her but even more so for the city. She embodies all that one could ask for in an honoree - She's an example of what is right in this world and has fought for what is right throughout her entire life. How cool for us to be able to share her story with future generations as they come through the "Billie Jean King Library" Sent from my iPhone

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From:	JESSICA TUCK <jesstuck@me.com></jesstuck@me.com>
Sent:	Monday, July 15, 2019 8:47 AM
То:	Council District 6; Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Council District 8; Daryl Supernaw; Council
·	District 4
Cc:	Mayor
Subject:	Long Beach Library !!

Hello,

I'm writing to you this morning to show my support in naming the Long Beach Library in honor of Billie Jean King. She is an icon. A trailblazer. A seeker of justice for all. And she was home grown in Long Beach and continues to support the community. A library is a place that educates, and inspires, and brings community together. I can't imagine a more fitting way to acknowledge the great connection between Billie Jean King and Long Beach than to name the library in her honor.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jessica Tuck

From:Nancy Nieruchalski <skizni2@hotmail.com>Sent:Monday, July 15, 2019 8:29 AMTo:Dee Andrews; Al Austin; Daryl Supernaw; MayorSubject:renaming of the library

I am in support of the renaming of the Library to Billie Jean King...What a Beautiful idea!!!!!! Thank you sooooo much, Nancy Ski