

From: [Mirtha Becerra](#)
To: [Dave DeGrandpre](#)
Subject: Fwd: Grant Creek growth project and safety concerns VOTE NO
Date: Wednesday, June 1, 2022 9:05:38 AM

Dave,
Please add to the public record.
Thanks,
Mirtha

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Mirtha Becerra <BecerraM@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Date: June 1, 2022 at 9:04:51 AM MDT
To: Marlene Hendrickson <mhendrickson98@gmail.com>
Cc: "Grp. City Council and City Web Site" <Council@ci.missoula.mt.us>
Subject: Re: Grant Creek growth project and safety concerns VOTE NO

Good Morning Marlene,
Thank you for your comments. I have read them and will ensure they are added as part of the public record.
Respectfully,

Mirtha Becerra
Missoula City Council-Ward 2

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On Jun 1, 2022, at 8:43 AM, Marlene Hendrickson
<mhendrickson98@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Council Members,

I was the Advisor to UM Productions for over 20 years at the University of Montana. As such, my organization produced concerts and special events with audience sizes ranging from 12 to 25,000.

With each production, the safety of our audiences, staff and community members was our first priority.

There were many times when promoters asked us to sell tickets that

exceeded capacity standards or to squeeze more merchandise tables into hallways that compromised fire codes. We never sacrificed safety over the wants of others. Not even once.

On the first day of training I always started with this: Assume the worst thing that can happen then happens, and that is somebody dies. Then imagine yourself on the witness stand in a courtroom where you outlined everything you did to prevent it. I ask this council to ask yourselves the same question.

Also, ask yourself if there was not a nationwide housing shortage would this project be approved? Take that out of the equation. We all know this is an unsafe location to approve high density housing due to threat of fire and lack of egress. Please vote against this project.

SAFETY FIRST.

Thank you for your time.

Marlene Hendrickson

P.S. Please respond if you have read this.

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