

To: Professor Keller

At last Thursday's Charter Review Commission, Councilmember Seren stated that "it is very clear at least a four-member majority of Council is not interested in putting this [the Commission's recommendations] on the ballot."

This statement, which understandably caused concern among Commission members, is reckless, irresponsible and false.

While it is clear that Councilmember Seren was referring to the four undersigned Councilmembers, he has never bothered to ask any of us for our views on this process or our intentions.

We have the utmost respect for this Commission and its members, and note that the vote on the composition of the Commission was unanimous, and included Councilmember Seren. We have no interest in wasting anyone's time.

This Commission is addressing complicated and challenging issues with the utmost professionalism and seriousness. We look forward to hearing the Commission's recommendations, and we will review them with an open mind. Indeed, such open-mindedness was an important consideration for membership on the Commission.

We again take this opportunity to thank the very talented and dedicated members of our Charter Review Commission who are working so hard on behalf of our City, and we look forward to receiving its recommendations.

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/s/ Mary Dunbar
Mary Dunbar, Council Member

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