

SAMPLE EMAIL/PHONE/TESTIMONY SCRIPT

Below is a sample script you can use when calling or emailing the City Council or Mayor's office in support of the library. Feel free to personalize these comments.

Hello,

My name is [insert name here] and I urge the City Council to adopt the Independent Budget Analyst's recommended option 2 and fund critically needed library investments.

For years, our libraries have been underfunded and under-valued. It's time we begin righting that wrong. I know the Council agrees and that is why you overwhelmingly supported these investments in your recent priority memos.

Please adopt the IBA's option number two and ensure each branch has a full-time Youth Service Librarian, an increased materials budget and a needed library maintenance budget. All together, these amount to a 0.03% investment out of the city's proposed \$5.14 billion budget. I know you can find the pennies in that big of a budget to make this happen.

With your help, we can create a San Diego Public Library System that meets the needs of our community. Thank you.

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