

## Please pass a ceasefire resolution for Gaza

Amber Lane-Bortell <alanebortell@gmail.com>

Tue 4/30/2024 9:52 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Fairfax Town Council,

I am writing to urge you to pass a ceasefire resolution for Gaza. According to the Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor, over 40,000 Palestinians have been killed since October 7, including over 15,000 children. Thousands more are injured and permanently disabled, and millions are displaced. The news coming out of Gaza, including mass graves found outside of hospitals with people executed with their hands zippered tied, only grows more and more horrific. It is impossible for us on the outside to truly comprehend how bad the situation is in Gaza. The International Court of Criminal Justice has called for a ceasefire and yet Israel's genocidal campaign against Gaza continues as they prepare to invade Rafah. There is no justification for this death and destruction. The violence has to stop. A permanent ceasefire is the only solution to prevent further suffering.

This violence may be happening across the world from us, but our tax money is going to fund this bloodshed, and that gives us all the responsibility to speak out. We all have power and a voice in this moment and we can use it to put pressure on our government to end this genocide. A world where we allow genocide to happen is not a world that is safe for everyone. This has to stop so we can build a future where everyone is safe. I implore you to pass a ceasefire resolution and take a stand against genocide.

Sincerely,  
Amber Lane-Bortell

## May 1st ceasefire resolution

David Glick <fxdgshrink@gmail.com>

Fri 4/26/2024 6:36 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Council Members.

I urge you to adopt a resolution that calls for both a ceasefire and a renewal of humanitarian support for UNRWA (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees).

There is a terrible misconception among some misinformed people that calling for a ceasefire is necessarily an indication of support for Hamas and thus anti-Jewish. The simple truth is that calling for a ceasefire and humanitarian aid is a moral response to a tragic and horrific situation. It is simply a call to protect a beleaguered civilian population in Gaza that has been living under relentless bombs and is now on the brink of famine.

To be clear, as some of you know by now, I am Jewish, the grandson of a revered rabbi. It is a mistake to think of Israel as if it is the state of the Jews and therefore represents all Jews. To be clear, Zionism is not the same as Judaism and criticizing certain Israeli policies is not anti-Semitic.

I hope you will do the right thing and pass such a resolution. If I can be of help in any manner as to the content please feel free to contact me.

David Glick; 415-457-3825

[fxdgshrink@gmail.com](mailto:fxdgshrink@gmail.com)

## Comment on agenda item

Bobbi Simpson's <greatestgood4all@gmail.com>

Fri 4/26/2024 7:19 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Town Council Members,

I just wanted you to to say how proud and impressed I was with the 2023 display of rainbow flags and crosswalk. In the climate of evermore repression of LBGTQ rights it was a uplifting and beautiful display and message of inclusivity.

Thank you - and I hope the tradition will continue for many years to come.

Bobbi Simpson

415-717-0471

## Permanent Ceasefire Resolution

ConnieBorter <connieborter@hotmail.com>

Sun 4/28/2024 1:08 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

I live in the area of Fairfax and believe Fairfax would do the Right Thing for Truth to Power if you made it a city that stood against the Genocide and adopted a Permanent Ceasefire Resolution. Let's Stand Up! I do not feel it would be unsafe for anyone in the community to take this action.

Thank you,

Connie Borter

Sent from my iPhone

## Ceasefire NOW!!!

Danielle Diaz <mrsdaniellediaz@hotmail.com>

Mon 4/29/2024 6:37 AM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Fairfax Town Council-

As a member of this community and a public school teacher in our district, I urge you to listen to the people and demand a Ceasefire in Gaza NOW!! This is a critical moment and we need Fairfax to make a difference. We need to bring forward a resolution at the upcoming meeting this Weds and become the first brave elected body in marin to adopt a permanent ceasefire resolution. We stand in solidarity with the Palestinians and we demand a call to end the genocide, condemn the weaponizing of antisemitism, and stepping up to do what is right and what is the only moral response to the mass murdering of Palestinians by Israel. Please make a difference and put Fairfax on the right side of history!!

Sincerely,

Danielle Díaz

Sent from my iPhone

## Opposition to resolution regarding the Israeli-Hamas conflict.

David Friedman <dmfriedman97@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 2:38 PM

To: Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>; Barbara Coler <bcoler@townoffairfax.org>; Bruce Ackerman <backerman@townoffairfax.org>; Chance Cutrano <ccutrano@townoffairfax.org>; Lisel Blash <LBlash@townoffairfax.org>; Stephanie Hellman <shellman@townoffairfax.org>  
Cc: Heather Abrams <habrams@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers:

I am a father of two in neighboring San Anselmo. I understand the town of Fairfax is considering a resolution regarding Israel and the conflict in Gaza.

I assume you are aware of the huge increase in antisemitic incidents since Hamas attacked Israeli citizens, and Israel's subsequent efforts to eradicate Hamas and seek the return of the hostages. See, e.g., <https://www.adl.org/resources/press-release/us-antisemitic-incidents-skyrocketed-360-aftermath-attack-israel-according>

The type of resolutions being considered by Fairfax only lead to more divisiveness and create more hostility towards your Jewish residents. They will not solve the problems that you were elected to solve.

We all regret civilian loss of life, and all want peace and the return of hostages. But passing these type of resolutions do not improve the town of Fairfax, and in fact will only harm it.

During a time of heightened tensions everywhere, I am imploring you as a town council member to please focus on building community in Fairfax instead. The town sits on an opportunity to be supportive to ALL and make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

Regards,  
Dave Friedman

## Support ceasefire resolution in Fairfax

dsperorn@davidsperorn.com <dsperorn@davidsperorn.com>

Sun 4/28/2024 9:10 AM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Fairfax Leaders,

I am a Jewish resident of San Francisco, and I will be thrilled if Fairfax calls for ceasefire in Gaza. Like many Jews and much of the world, I am devastated and outraged by the slaughter of innocents in Gaza. I have friends in Gaza and in Israel, and they are all suffering from this horror.

Calling for an immediate ceasefire, hostage release and humanitarian aid is not divisive or antisemitic, no matter what Israel lobby groups say. San Francisco and Oakland passed such resolutions, and they have brought people together. It's ongoing massacre that is divisive.

Israel-identified organizations like Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) do not speak for all Jews.. They are exposing us to antisemitic attacks by those who accept Israel's claim to represent all Jews.

As an American, I resent and grieve that my tax money funds the Israeli planes and bombs massacring women and children. How much tax money is Fairfax contributing to this war? We should use that money to help our own people, not to kill others.

Of course a resolution from Fairfax won't stop the killing, but it puts one more weight on the scale for peace, and it would help bring the people together.

David Spero, 415-987-1401

## I support a Ceasefire Resolution

Elliot Helman <muzungu\_x@yahoo.com>

Sun 4/28/2024 11:00 AM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Greetings,

I am a Jewish member of the community and i fully support the Fairfax Town Council adopting a ceasefire resolution between Israel and Hamas. I want to assure you that it is NOT anti-semitic to criticize Israel. The state of Israel does not represent me, and in fact goes against every Jewish value I was raised with. When our electd officials don't hear us, it is our duty in a democracy to make our voices heard. A Ceasefire Resolution is is our voice.

Thank you.

Elliot Helman



## 2 suggestions for traffic control on Sir Francis Drake Blvd.

heavenlygaia@aol.com <heavenlygaia@aol.com>

Tue 4/30/2024 7:18 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Greetings:

I live on the corner of Oak Tree Lane and Sir Francis Drake. Heading out toward Woodacher I am the corner before you get to Manor.

1. Install road signs that say, "26 - 41 MPH equals a \$35.00 fine."
2. Originally there was a stop sign on both sides of the street on Sir Francis Drake Blvd. at Oak Tree Lane. When they installed the traffic light in downtown Fairfax they removed the stop signs. Reinstall the stop signs with flashing LED stop signs.

Thanks,

Jeff

## Peace Resolution

Jennifer Katz <jenniferkatz67@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 1:10 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Council Members:

I am writing to express my strong opposition to the Israel/Hamas conflict being addressed in the Town Council. I have been a Marin resident for 25 years and am proud of our politically active community. Part of the soul of being an American, expressing our right to free speech.

My concern is that to date, the Israel/Hamas agenda items have resulted in hostile, extremely divisive events, leaving a visceral wake of negativity across the community including increased hate acts, defacement of the town, hostile outsiders being bussed into towns (many often paid to speak), and a wildly intensified breeding ground for antisemitism.

Additionally, while there are some Jews who are pushing for these talks, please know they do NOT represent the majority of us. They represent a a VERY small minority, feel free to check the statistics with the Jewish Community Relations Council and the ADL. 90% of Jews are Zionists. Meaning, we believe that Israel has the right to exist and is the homeland of the Jewish people.

During a time of heightened tensions everywhere, I am imploring you as a town council member to please focus on building community in Fairfax instead. The town sits on an opportunity to be supportive to ALL and make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

Very much appreciate you for hearing me and respecting my concerns.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Katz  
San Rafael Resident

Re: PD Dispatch-See Click Fix

Kathy <k-flores@comcast.net>

Mon 4/29/2024 4:25 PM

To: Barbara Coler <bcoler@townoffairfax.org>; Chance Cutrano <ccutrano@townoffairfax.org>; Stephanie Hellman <shellman@townoffairfax.org>; Lisel Blash <LBlash@townoffairfax.org>; Bruce Ackerman <backerman@townoffairfax.org>  
Cc: Christine Foster <cfoster@townoffairfax.org>; Kathy Flores <k-flores@comcast.net>

Still waiting for an response.

Christine, please include this email in the Town Council packet for this weeks meeting.  
Thanks, K

On Apr 21, 2024, at 11:25 AM, Kathy <k-flores@comcast.net> wrote:

I registered with See Click Fix last year for San Rafael. I tried to add Fairfax to my request but it seems that Fairfax is not registered with this simple system.

It is a very basic ticket problem reporting system set up and contracted through the Town.

In Fairfax we don't seem to have a way to know what issues the Police Dept are dealing with in real time.

Please consider adding Fairfax to the See Click Fix system.

Thank you,  
Kathy

**From:** SeeClickFix <donotreply@seeclickfix.com>  
**Subject:** PD Dispatch-DPW Request (non-emergency) was just reported by one of your neighbors  
**Date:** April 19, 2024 at 4:28:35 PM PDT  
**To:** k-flores@comcast.net



Based on issues you've acted on in the past, we felt you would be interested in this recently reported issue.

**PD Dispatch-DPW Request (non-emergency)**

Anderson Dr & Lindaro St San Rafael, California, 94901  
CITIZEN TO PD - RECORDS; SAYS TRASH FROM ENCAMPMENTS IS GOING INTO BIKE LANE AND ROAD. [more...](#)

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## Re: Town Council Meeting Wood Sign

Kathy <k-flores@comcast.net>

Wed 5/1/2024 9:02 AM

To:Loren Umbertis <lumbertis@townoffairfax.org>;Christine Foster <cfoster@townoffairfax.org>

Cc:Heather Abrams <habrams@townoffairfax.org>

Thank you for putting up the TOWN COUNCIL MEETING SIGN on Tuesday!

On Apr 29, 2024, at 3:40 PM, Kathy <k-flores@comcast.net> wrote:

Please respond to the email I sent on 4/26/24 to confirm the Town Council Meeting Sign will be placed, for now, at Bolinas Park.

Today, Monday 4/29/24, would be the best so that it gives people a chance to adjust their schedule to attend the TC meeting or on Zoom.

Also, how about either moving the Wood Sign on the East side of the Parkade, across from the Northgate Gas?

This way it can be seen by everyone who drives on Drake.

Christine, please include this email in the Town Council Meeting packet.

Thank you,  
Kathy

On Apr 26, 2024, at 10:10 AM, Kathy <k-flores@comcast.net> wrote:

Hello,

I just realized that the newly refurbished (9/2023) Town Council Meeting Sign has not been in placed in Bolinas Park monthly, again!

Has it been "lost" or "ruined"?

Please locate this Wood Sign and make sure it is put out the Monday BEFORE the Town Council Meeting and taken down the day AFTER the Town Council Meeting.

Residents who do not regularly drive on Bolinas Ave (those of us on the east side of SFD and towards White's Hill) NEVER see this sign to know that there is a Town Council Meeting.

Would it be possible to place this sign at the end of the Parkade / SFD, across the street from the Northgate Gas?

**THIS SEEMS TO BE THE BEST PLACE FOR EVERYONE TO BE ABLE TO SEE IT, and THE SPRINKLERS (at Bolinas Park) WILL NOT CONTINUE TO HIT THE WOOD AND ERODE IT.**

**If not this sign, perhaps we need the same Town Council Meeting Sign wording, made of metal, placed here and at Bolinas Park. (I see many Farmer's Market Signs placed around town)**

Thanks,  
Kathy



## Please vote against agendizing Israel/Hamas conflict

Katie Schuler Herstein <katie.herstein@gmail.com>

Tue 4/30/2024 1:44 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to strongly oppose the Israel/Hamas conflict being addressed in the Town Council.

Regardless of intent, Israel/Hamas agenda items have resulted in hostile, extremely divisive events, leaving a visceral wake of negativity across the community including increased hate acts, defacement of the town, hostile players being bussed into towns (many often paid to speak), and a wildly intensified breeding ground for antisemitism. Also, while there are some Jews who are pushing for these talks, please know they do NOT represent the majority of us.

During a time of heightened tensions everywhere, I am imploring you as a town council member to please focus on building community in Fairfax instead. The town sits on an opportunity to be supportive to ALL and make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

Sincerely,  
Katie Herstein

## Agenda items #4, 16, 17 & 18

Kim B <kkburggraf@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 1:32 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Hello

I oppose agenda's

#4 Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Display of Rainbow Flags during Pride Month June 2024 and Authorize Staff to Maintain the Rainbow Crosswalk.

#16 Adopt Jewish American Heritage Month Proclamation

# 17 Adopt Asian Pacific American Heritage Month Proclamation and

# 18 Adopt Affordable Housing Month Proclamation

Any other flag except the American flag and California flag should not be allowed to fly on government flagpoles.

In place I think we should focus on America. Flying the American flag and banners and have a red white and blue crosswalk.

I would like to Adopt flying the American flag and painting the crosswalk red white and blue all year in our town of Fairfax.

Also, the affordable housing month proclamation should be removed. It inflames an already heated issue regarding rent stabilization. The affordable housing issue is a much bigger deal than placing it on the backs of hard working people of Fairfax.

Kim Burggraf



## FW: Strongly oppose Israel/Hamas being addressed in Fairfax

Heather Abrams <habrams@townoffairfax.org>

Wed 5/1/2024 3:17 PM

To: Christine Foster <cfoster@townoffairfax.org>

Regards,

**Heather Abrams**

Town of Fairfax | Town Manager

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**From:** Kim F <rocky1804@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 1, 2024 2:59 PM

**To:** Heather Abrams <habrams@townoffairfax.org>

**Subject:** Strongly oppose Israel/Hamas being addressed in Fairfax

Hi Heather:

For the records, please see the email below I shared with the Town Council members:

On Monday, April 29, 2024 at 09:16:24 AM PDT :

Dear Vice Mayor Blash,

I live in San Anselmo and frequent Fairfax regularly. I am writing to convey my strong opposition to the Israel/Hamas conflict being addressed in the Town Council.

I am a mother of two elementary school children and have spent the past six months working around the clock combatting the explosion of antisemitism post 10/7. I have personally participated in 10+ Bay Area council meetings since October, and my experience is that regardless of intent, Israel/Hamas agenda items have resulted in hostile, extremely divisive events, leaving a visceral wake of negativity across the community including increased hate acts, defacement of the town, hostile players being bussed into towns (many often paid to speak), and a wildly intensified breeding ground for antisemitism. Also, while there are some Jews who are pushing for these talks, please know they do NOT represent the majority of us.

During a time of heightened tensions everywhere, I am imploring you as a town council member to please focus on building community in Fairfax instead. The town sits on an opportunity to be supportive to ALL and make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

Lastly, please find below a few links which may shed additional light:

- [Los Altos](#) (video- town council member explains why he opposes a resolution)
- Mayor @ [council meeting](#) Orland Park, IL (video includes facts/history)
- Politico article "[These city leaders are over symbolic cease-fire votes](#)"
- [Berkeley](#) Council Meetings (article)
- Hamas leader stating their [intentions](#)





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In partnership,

Kim

## Urgent Concern Regarding Israel/Hamas Conflict Resolution in Town Council

Laliv Hadar <lalivhadar@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 1:06 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Fairfax Town Council,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the proposed resolution to address the Israel/Hamas conflict at the Fairfax Town Council. While I understand the importance of international issues, I believe that such matters can often have unintended consequences at the local level.

The history of Israel/Hamas agenda items being discussed in public forums has unfortunately led to hostile and divisive events within our community. These discussions have left a palpable wave of negativity, including an increase in hate acts, defacement of public property, and the unsettling presence of hostile individuals being brought into our town -- some of whom are reportedly compensated for their participation.

Furthermore, these discussions have created an environment that is conducive to antisemitic sentiments, which is deeply concerning. It's crucial to note that while there may be individuals of Jewish descent advocating for these talks or resolutions -- they do not represent the majority of our community. 90% of Jews are Zionists and believe in the right of Israel to exist and defend herself. Asking Israel to lay down its arms while the enemy goes on unencumbered is a non-starter. Full stop.

In light of the heightened tensions globally, especially in the past week, I **urge you** as a respected member of our Town Council to prioritize initiatives that foster unity and inclusivity within Fairfax. Our town has a unique opportunity to demonstrate support for all residents and ensure that everyone feels safe and welcomed.

I respectfully request that the Town Council reconsider its focus and instead concentrate on initiatives that promote community-building, cultural understanding, and mutual respect among all residents.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely, Laliv Hadar

## Encouraging Affordable Housing

Maria Kennedy <justmaria1016@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 8:08 AM

To: Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>; Brian Colbert <bcolbert@townofsananselmo.org>; Eileen Burke <eburke@townofsananselmo.org>

Dear Fairfax and San Anselmo Council members

While I'm against large scale, out of character building in Ross Valley towns, and adding more residents than town infrastructures can handle (roads, schools, grocery stores, parking, not to mention limited local job opportunities leading to more commute traffic), I do believe Ross Valley towns need to find ways to offer housing to people of diverse incomes.

I'd like to suggest Town sponsored workshops explaining various creative housing solutions to potential renters and buyers as well as current landlords and potential landlords.

A comprehensive workshop, which I think could be led by volunteers, would offer explanations of things such as; existing shared housing models, buying tenants in common, how to best navigate creative loan and financing options, navigating current laws and assessing the cost/benefit analysis of building JADUS and ADUS, and how existing real estate laws and local ordinances affect tenants and landlords.

I also propose towns offer free help to first time small scale landlords -especially the elderly, in renting out cottages and rooms - how to select tenants and do background checks so the landlord feels safe and supported in the process. This will help remove current hurdles to affordable infill rentals. (As a 30 year owner of two Fairfax cottages, I know first hand that the current Fairfax just cause ordinance and vilification of landlords is inhibiting potential landlords from renting and therefore reducing, not expanding the number of available rentals.)

Lastly Towns could establish a volunteer commission to host meetings about shared housing models (Danish Co-Housing, for instance) and keep lists of people looking for such options, both to buy and to rent. The commission could work with local realtors to get promptly notified of properties suitable for shared living. There are properties in places like Oak Manor and Sleepy Hollow that could easily be renovated to accommodate two families and even three with an ADU, potentially mixed ownership and rental.

I grew up in Fairfax in a low income family and my parents often housed friends in need. Many of us long term Ross Valley people know the value of a diverse community and are proponents of low income rentals. We'd like our elected leaders not to be punitive to small scale landlords but to be proactive, realistic and creative about how affordable rentals could be offered- without overbuilding/overcrowding our unique and beloved towns with huge projects stating up front that 80% of the units will be 'moderate or above moderate' prices.

Thank you for considering this perspective on how Ross Valley Town leadership can support affordable housing options.

Maria Kennedy  
65 Oak Knoll Drive  
San Anselmo

Sent from my iPhone

## No Ceasefire on agenda

Mark Solomons <lukeshiva@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 2:52 PM

To:Chance Cutrano <ccutrano@townoffairfax.org>;Michele Gardner <mgardner@townoffairfax.org>;Bruce Ackerman <backerman@townoffairfax.org>;Barbara Coler <bcoler@townoffairfax.org>;Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>;Lisel Blash <LBlash@townoffairfax.org>;Stephanie Hellman <shellman@townoffairfax.org>

Councilmembers,

I am a Fairfax resident who as a member of NOAH Marin, received the proclamation recognizing United Against Hate Week in November and experienced hateful antisemitic and homophobic slurs.

I write today to oppose any discussion of the Israel/Hamas conflict by the Town Council.

Israel/Hamas agenda items have resulted in hostile, extremely divisive events, including increased hate acts, defacement of the town, and a wildly intensified breeding ground for antisemitism.

While some Jews are pushing for these talks, please know they do NOT represent the majority of us. At the Richmond town Council last night, I heard Zionism maligned, which denies the dream of a homeland for the Jewish people.

The struggle in Israel is a struggle for survival, not what people call genocide. Israel is waging a war against Hamas, a proxy of Iran to preserve western democracy.

Raising this topic stirs divisiveness in the community.

During a time of heightened tensions everywhere, I am imploring you as a town council member to please focus on building community in Fairfax instead. The town can focus on supporting ALL to make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

As an alternative, let's look forward to recognizing United Against Hate Week which happens in September 2024, the week of 21st to 27th

Sincerely,

Mark

Mark Solomons

cell: 415.747.7695

[lukeshiva@gmail.com](mailto:lukeshiva@gmail.com)

Sept 18th, 2022, Governor Newsom signed legislation to equalize and strengthen penalties for using hate symbols.

See video message:

<https://twitter.com/CAgovernor/status/1571584269176426497?s=20&t=xdrLUhe-IVUCe7v-DaZzCQ>

Our Historical Commitment to Safeguard Rights and Freedoms:

*"The government of the United States, which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance."*

President George Washington, quoting Moses Seixas, Touro Synagogue

On Sat, Apr 6, 2024 at 11:20 AM Mark Solomons <[lukeshiva@gmail.com](mailto:lukeshiva@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Councilmembers

I saw this on Facebook and I want to confirm that you are considering as CF resolution and what date that it would be on the agenda

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The Fairfax Town Council  
has established a  
subcommittee to draft a  
Ceasefire Resolution and  
bring it forward at their  
next meeting! 🇵🇸❤️🍉

@rethinkpolice

Send message to @rethinkpolice, for  
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Mark Solomons

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## Vote No to a Ceasefire/Middle East resolution/ entangling in non local affairs

Michael Levenson <mlevsn@yahoo.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 12:05 PM

To: Barbara Coler <bcoler@townoffairfax.org>; Bruce Ackerman <backerman@townoffairfax.org>; Chance Cutrano <ccutrano@townoffairfax.org>; Lisel Blash <LBlash@townoffairfax.org>; Stephanie Hellman <shellman@townoffairfax.org>; Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

To whom it may concern:

First, thank you for recognizing Jewish American Heritage Month!!!

Second, as an eleven plus year Fairfax resident, I am deeply concerned about those who are pressuring you to introduce a resolution regarding the Israel-Hamas War. Such a resolution will not bring peace abroad, but will continue to exacerbate community tensions and increase hate targeting the local Jewish community – as we have recently witnessed. The demonstrators are justifying the mass kidnappings and rapes perpetrated by Hamas.

Despite pressure from the same groups, The Board of Marin County Supervisors as well as the city councils of Petaluma, Sebastopol and Santa Rosa among others have recognized that spending hours of divisive debate on such resolutions would not be in the interests of their cities. As David Rabbitt, chair of the Sonoma County Board of Supervisors, said, "The last thing this body wants to do is inflame tensions between communities and increase anxiety, stress, or threats of violence. We do not want to divide or polarize the community. This Board's focus has always been on building bridges within our community and promoting empathy, understanding and support for all residents. That is our focus. I hope the Fairfax Town Council will stand by our existing resolutions condemning hatred and violence and calling for peace, rather than calling for a new resolution that while well-intentioned, has the potential to be divisive and counterproductive to bringing the community together."

It is our hope, that you will reject calls to agendize such a resolution and instead work to ensure that Fairfax remains a welcoming town for residents of all backgrounds. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Michael Levenson  
Sent from my iPhone

## Please OPPOSE any address of Israel/Hamas war in city council

Rayah Levy <rayahlevy@me.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 2:07 PM

To: Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Cc: Barbara Coler <bcoler@townoffairfax.org>; Bruce Ackerman <backerman@townoffairfax.org>; Chance Cutrano <ccutrano@townoffairfax.org>; Lisel Blash <LBlash@townoffairfax.org>; Stephanie Hellman <shellman@townoffairfax.org>

> Dear Council Members:

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> I am writing to convey my STRONG opposition to the Israel/Hamas conflict being addressed in the Town Council.

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> Israel/Hamas agenda items have resulted in hostile, extremely divisive events, leaving a visceral wake of negativity across the community including increased hate acts, defacement of the town, hostile players being bussed into towns (many often paid to speak), and a wildly intensified breeding ground for antisemitism. Also, while there are some Jews who are pushing for these talks, please know they do NOT represent the majority of us. We are a mostly united group in Marin who is extremely afraid of living in Marin and raising our children here. I have 2 small children and have lived in Marin for 14 years, my day to day is anxious now because of the exact issue.

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> During a time of heightened tensions everywhere, I am IMPLORING you as a town council member to please focus on building community in Fairfax instead. The town sits on an opportunity to be supportive to ALL and make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

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> Truly and Sincerely,

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> Rayah Levy

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## OPPOSE any address of Israel/Hamas war in city council

Rayah Levy <rayahlevy@me.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 12:47 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Dear Council Members:

I am writing to convey my STRONG opposition to the Israel/Hamas conflict being addressed in the Town Council.

Israel/Hamas agenda items have resulted in hostile, extremely divisive events, leaving a visceral wake of negativity across the community including increased hate acts, defacement of the town, hostile players being bussed into towns (many often paid to speak), and a wildly intensified breeding ground for antisemitism. Also, while there are some Jews who are pushing for these talks, please know they do NOT represent the majority of us. We are a mostly united group in Marin who is extremely afraid of living in Marin and raising our children here. I have 2 small children and have lived in Marin for 14 years, my day to day is anxious now because of the exact issue.

During a time of heightened tensions everywhere, I am IMPLORING you as a town council member to please focus on building community in Fairfax instead. The town sits on an opportunity to be supportive to ALL and make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

Truly and Sincerely,

Rayah Levy

## Re: Question about a Town Council proposed/draft resolution on Middle East Events

Regina DeAngelis <blueowl18@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 1:23 PM

To: Heather Abrams <habrams@townoffairfax.org>; Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Hi Heather and Town Council, I am reaching out again (ahead of the Town Council Meeting tonight) to urge you and the Town Council to not address the Middle East issues via a "ceasefire" resolution and to not even take "public comment" on this issue, which is outside of the town's mandate. This issue is extremely volatile - as shown by last night's event at UCLA. For public safety reasons, I urge you and the town to set this matter aside. Best, Regina DeAngelis

> On Apr 22, 2024, at 10:28 AM, Regina DeAngelis <blueowl18@gmail.com> wrote:

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> Hi Heather, thank you for the information. Best, Regina

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>> On Apr 22, 2024, at 8:00 AM, Heather Abrams <habrams@townoffairfax.org> wrote:

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>> Hi Regina,

>> Thank you for your message. As a courtesy, I am forwarding your message to the full Council. You can find each of the Council Member emails here: <https://www.townoffairfax.org/departments/town-council/>

>> For agenda items, I encourage you to use the email for all Council Members together:

fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org

>> Regards,

>> Heather Abrams

>> Town of Fairfax | Town Manager

>> [www.townoffairfax.org](http://www.townoffairfax.org)

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>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: Regina DeAngelis <blueowl18@gmail.com>

>> Sent: Sunday, April 21, 2024 9:37 PM

>> To: Heather Abrams <habrams@townoffairfax.org>

>> Subject: Question about a Town Council proposed/draft resolution on Middle East Events

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>> Hi Heather, I understand that a member of the town council, Stephanie Hellman, is putting together a "ceasefire" resolution for vote on the May 1 Agenda. As a resident of San Anselmo (frequently in Fairfax), I hope that this issue could be set aside. The situation in the Middle East, including Gaza, is horrible and tragic but the peace and safety of our community is not well served by local governments taking up these extremely complicated and heated international matters. People like me, who are Jewish with a family in the area, feel unsafe when towns start taking sides on these matters, which inevitably result in favoring a "side" of the conflict. Would you be able to ask Stephanie to hold off for public safety reasons and because the matter is international policy? Thank you fo your consideration. I would be happy to talk more about this. Best, Regina

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**Fwd: Could you pls send this email by 3pm today?**

Sharon Russell <sharonavis212@gmail.com>

Wed 5/1/2024 1:58 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** btownma@yahoo.com

**Date:** May 1, 2024 at 4:52:24 PM EDT

**To:** Mom <sharonavis212@gmail.com>, Dad <AWallins@aol.com>, Brian Wallins <bwallins@gmail.com>, Peter Russell <parssop@gmail.com>

**Subject: Could you pls send this email by 3pm today?**

If you get a minute could you pls send some variation of the email sample below to fairfax town council **before 3pm PT today??** Feel free to use or tweak however feels right for u.

**Send to:** [fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org](mailto:fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org)

**cc:** [habrams@townoffairfax.org](mailto:habrams@townoffairfax.org)

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SUBJECT: Please vote against agendizing Israel/Hamas conflict

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to strongly oppose the Israel/Hamas conflict being addressed in the Town Council.

Regardless of intent, Israel/Hamas agenda items have resulted in hostile, extremely divisive events, leaving a visceral wake of negativity across the community including increased hate acts, defacement of the town, hostile players being bussed into towns (many often paid to speak), and a wildly intensified breeding ground for antisemitism. Also, while there are some Jews who are pushing for these talks, please know they do NOT represent the majority of us.

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sits on an opportunity to be supportive to ALL and make ALL feel safe and welcomed.

Sincerely,

## Special recognitions

Susanne Chaney <susannechaney@icloud.com>

Fri 4/26/2024 9:22 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

We have several, Palestinian neighbors. In all fairness especially as to not show favoritism could you not have a Palestinian heritage month. I find it very hypocritical to have Jewish heritage month in the present circumstance of the ongoing war. Or are you not able to see how this could be offensive to some who also are our neighbors ?

I'd like to know why this action is being taken

Thank you

Susanne Chaney

Sent from my iPad

## Rainbow stripping do what Sausalito has done. Cheaper. Permanent

Susanne Chaney <susannechaney@icloud.com>

Sat 4/27/2024 3:42 PM

To:Fairfax Town Council <fairfaxtowncouncil@townoffairfax.org>

I have a money saving idea and you won't need to strip. They have narrow weather proof rainbow strips in their downtown cross walks. Please take a field trip to Sausalito and check out the crosswalks in front of poggio. These are very spiffy looking.

And are permanent.

And colorful I think they also have traction and are non slip. Which is also good They are low maintenance and money saving

Susanne Chaney.

Thank you

Sent from my iPad