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**Daniel Lurie, Mayor**

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August 14, 2025	Neighbors Against Flooding	Balboa Reservoir Project/Ocean Avenue Flood Concerns

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**From:** Neighbors Against Flooding <stopfloodingit@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 14, 2025 9:42 AM  
**To:** Lurie, Daniel (MYR); MelgarStaff (BOS); DPW-Public Works Commission; ChenStaff; MahmoodStaff  
**Cc:** SolutionsNotSandbags San Francisco; Horn, Jeffrey (CPC)  
**Subject:** Balboa Reservoir Project / Ocean Avenue Flood Concerns

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Dear Mayor Laurie, San Francisco Land Use and Transportation Committee Members, and San Francisco Public Works Commissioners:

We are writing to reiterate a long-standing concern that Ingleside Terraces face elevated flood risks due to an undersized sewer main along a portion of Ocean Avenue (Frida Kahlo Way and Miramar Ave.). This problem has been worsened by upstream sewer improvements that benefited other areas such as Miramar Avenue and Riordan High School.

While certain mitigation efforts—such as the installation of additional catch basins and upsizing of some nearby sewer lines—have been implemented, these do not address the root cause. The Ocean Avenue sewer line remains inadequate, and heavy rainfall continues to result in overflows and impacts in our community.

With the Balboa Reservoir Project now moving forward, we are formally raising our concerns about the additional burden this development will place on an already compromised sewer system. Despite repeated outreach to various city agencies over the years, we have not received any enforceable commitments or assurances that low-lying properties like ours will not suffer further harm as a result.

We therefore request clear responses to the following:

- Will the Balboa Project include comprehensive upgrades to the Ocean Avenue sewer infrastructure to ensure it can handle increased capacity?
- Will these upgrades be fully in place before or concurrent with construction?

We trust the City is aware of its legal obligations to prevent foreseeable harm to its constituents and infrastructure. However, in the absence of explicit, documented assurances, we remain deeply concerned.

We request your prompt attention to this matter and welcome any specific information or updates you can provide.

Sincerely,

Ingleside Terraces Residents

Kelly and Mark Cole  
Adrienne Sciutto and Irene Creps  
Patricia and Francois Hechinger  
Jane Huey  
Jeanette and Peter Lo  
Gina Buschiazio and Rolando Perez  
Julia Terhaar and Alex Pflepsen  
Vanessa and Ernest Quesada  
Christine and Michael Young