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At the Community Development Committee Meeting on January 24, 2023, a representative from the Larry Spring Museum requested a letter of support for their upcoming project. Project applicant described the project as follows "The Redwood Time proposes a project series that will facilitate a local community-initiated re-reading of the Redwood Round that stands in front of the Guest House Museum. As with similar redwood rounds in Northern California, our round naturalizes Euro- and human-centric cultural achievements as the default approach to an understanding of modern history. Notably, the markers exclude a number of local alternate histories and events that could have been added to provide us with a richer understanding of the past we inherit and the territory we inhabit. We propose creating a people's history of our town whereby the community marks events/occurrences/experiences of significance on a facsimile of the round. We will create the facsimile by making a paper cast of the round and then removing and reassembling it at the Larry Spring Museum. Then over a period of close to 2 years, we will run a number of programs that will encourage the community to mark their alternative histories on the paper cast that will be up for display."

This is an updated letter necessary to apply for multiple different grants to support the project, where the first letter was "fund" specific.