

Fighting for space in SP is a never-ending story

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One thing about San Pedro, when one battle ends, you can bet there's another one right around the corner.

For instance, the Citizens Advisory Committee spoke loud and clear in its rejection of Robert Bisno's Ponte Vista development, and Councilwoman Janice Hahn has said in no uncertain terms that she's heard the will of the people. Bisno is not going gently into that good night, however. While you know he would have said "the people have spoken" had the vote gone in his favor, now the committee's action is "outside of the process," and he is hoping that he can ramrod his project through the Planning Commission by convincing the panel that San Pedro just doesn't know what's good for it.

Fortunately, there is a prevailing anti-development mood at City Hall, where more recent projects throughout the city have resulted in backlash from outraged citizens.