

# Is Hahn for or against?

## Why are we still talking about Ponte Vista?

If City Councilwoman Janice Hahn wants anyone to really believe she is standing up to developer Bob Bisno, let her answer why it is taking four years to make a decision or give a number to the Ponte Vista project.

If she is for R-1, why not just say that? If she will not allow more than 1,200 units, why not say that? Don't use doublespeak or (what she thinks is) clever semantics when speaking about this issue. Her words at the Ponte Vista meeting the other night: "I have seen nothing that makes me believe the zoning should be changed." (OK, she is R-1.) And, "I am in favor of a project but not this project." (OK, she is not R-1.) She finds it so difficult to be honest and truthful.

Hahn is only interested in self-preservation, not progress. Bisno had several meetings with Hahn before he ever purchased the land. He hired Hahn's senior staff person to be his public relations director. Hahn will pretend to be an R-1 supporter up until the city Planning Department approves 1,950 units. Then she will cut that number to 1,600 to 1,700 and announce she did all she could.

Next time you go by the Welcome Park (pathetic), or the Grande Promenade (not there) or Ramona Bakery (not there), or Wilmington Triangle Park (not there but dedicated four years ago), or see the town covered with gang graffiti (still there), think about whether Janice Hahn is working for you or herself.

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