

# Many Ponte Vista pitfalls

In Thursday's Daily Breeze (03/12/09), I found three points of interest about the Ponte Vista development in San Pedro that were not addressed at the Peck Park open house.

I did not see any information as to where the proposed "road link" to Gaffey Street will be placed. Lt. Col. Jon Ramer, who oversees the military fuel depot property adjacent to the home site, was quoted as saying, "Any access roads across the facility would be rejected." That means the road would most likely run through my neighborhood or someone else's. This would only add to excessive traffic on our streets.

Also, the city has provisions that allow additional units to be built if they are dedicated to low-income residents - regardless of the new, revised plan. Jim Oswald, a spokesman/facilitator representing DLJ Real Estate Capital Partners, said the provisions may be kept in the plan.

Lastly, this land has a history of chemical pollution. At one time it was the storage depot for the Navy's fleet of boats, trucks and other chemical-using vehicles. The story quoted Ramer as saying that prospective Ponte Vista residents "should be warned about occasional vapors emitted by the neighboring fuel depot site."

In my opinion, the only persons interested in this project are business people and those who do not live in the immediate area. San Pedro is overpopulated and is overseen by a councilwoman who has no plan or clue.

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A "new" look at this disaster (Daily Breeze, Friday) had no mention of the most important consideration for this or any other development: Where is their water going to come from?

Los Angeles County is already talking about water rationing, and it isn't even summer yet. Thousands of homes with no plans for a water source? Who's minding the store?

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