

Ponte Vista project isn't low-income

I originally approved the Ponte Vista project until I attended one of their meetings and began investigating the effect of a zone change. My opinion at this time is as follows:

The Ponte Vista Mantra is that the blue-collar worker and low-income need a place to buy a home. Guess what? They couldn't afford to live in the project since the least expensive condo is \$350,000.

Based on this fact, it is best for the city to collect property taxes on \$1 million SFR and in the process upgrade the status of the city.

Vote "No" on rezoning the Ponte Vista Project in San Pedro, retain the zoning at R1. If you pass the rezoning, the present plan for 2,500 condos will place 5,000 additional cars on Western Avenue. Western Avenue traffic is presently at capacity without this project.

In addition, the local schools and services are presently above capacity and it will place a huge burden on the city taxpayers to build added facilities.

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