

# SP still questions project

I read with interest the Ponte Vista support letter by Stephanie Mardesich printed on Monday. There are some inconsistencies that are not ameliorated by Mardesich's grandiose verbiage. First, the people who live near the proposed Ponte Vista do not want their neighborhood to look like central San Pedro, an area fraught with past zoning mistakes. Second, the Eastview Little League agreement states that the league will agree to whatever the city agrees to. Will Bob Bisno only build the fields if he can build 1,950 dwellings?

Two questions in this debate seem to go unasked: What is affordable and what is housing? Let's use the much-mentioned \$350,000 condo for seniors (or anyone else?). A conventional loan would require a \$70,000 down payment and monthly payments of approximately \$1,600 per month plus taxes, insurance and association fees. What will a person get for that? A 600-square-foot "home"? The standard two-car garage is 400 square feet!

The bottom line is real estate in the South Bay will sell for the "market price." Even if these units were given away one day, they would sell for market price the next day.

Resist the chimerical ideas of dreamers. Keep Ponte Vista R1!

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