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Dear Councilmen,

If Los Angeles is going to confront future droughts without having to increase rates, there needs to be a limit on size of significant housing development in the City. Any significant housing development is required to "prove" that there is adequate water supply for the next 20 years in order to meet L.A. Planning approval.

It is very questionable why the City Council would approve a 700+ housing project (Ponte Vista) in San Pedro when Los Angeles is in a serious drought. The consequences is that we are going to see an increase in utility prices with increased taxes and businesses will leave California to greener pastures in states or countries where water and power are cheap and plentiful. The Developer (SFI Bridgeview, LLC/ IStar Financial) is the project applicant and they need to have a Supply Assessment or water Certification from DWP stating that there will be adequate water through wet and dry years for the next 20 years.

The 700 unit housing project should not be approved by the City Council because this area (60 areas) was only designed for R-1 and only has one entrance and exit at 26900 S. Western Ave., San Pedro. By changing the zoning, the Planning and Land Use Committee has created something that the community has not endorsed. The San Pedro community has been waiting for a resolution for addressing the potential of a major disaster from millions of gallons of butane and propane located only 1/2 mile from Ponte Vista. This facility is called (Rancho LPG) and a building permit was never pulled. To make matters worst, the property sits on top of an earthquake fault (Palos Verdes). This earthquake fault has the potential of a 7.0 on the richer scale and the butane tanks are engineered for 6.0 on the richer scale. Rancho LPG was never in the DER so any residents purchasing a unit at Ponte Vista is not understanding the risks as the blast zone is over 3 miles from one tank.

The EIR report does not adequately address the impact from the Navy Defense Fuel Support Point (DFSP) that is adjacent the the property to the North. In the past there have been spills, overfill and leak failures. The AQMP has not done any testing of the air quality from the gases that vent that are released from the underground and about ground tanks.

I ask that the Planning and Land Use Committee re-consider their approval for a 700 unit project and address the water and safety issues before approving this project.

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