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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I appreciated the community police reports as it keeps us aware and watchful. However please eliminate the "cutesy" comic remarks at the close of each item. It's not appropriate. Thank you.

B. Campbell  
Lafayette

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Dear Editor,

Further to Ms. Pam Swarts' excellent clear letter in Dec 24, she is absolutely right on. Is Lafayette becoming a sister city to Chicago Illionois, where the Lafayette City council does not listen to "we the people", but instead worships Messrs. Holt & Bowie.

Mr. Holt went thru the process of the planning commission. Mr. Holt was sitting as a planning commissioner, and finally he realized the conflict of interest issue in hearing his own application. He excused himself, but took a seat in the auditorium, where he could keep "eye contact" with his fellow commissioners. Even thru this intimidation, the Planning commission voted the application down. Now Mr. Holt is trying to circumvent this whole process. The City council has the planning commission to do the work whether to recommend or deny the application They anonimously rejected.

Lafayette - among other - stands for nature, trees, beautiful hill-sides, and even the city logo - right behind the seated city council members - has a tree in in. Mr. Holts plan calls for cutting down some apx. 20 old red-wood trees. The un-employed former Berkeley tree sitters have been out and seen the trees. They are quite worried and ready to tree-sit. Do we really need this in Lafayette, to put extra burden on our 2 police officers on duty? Haven't we learned from the crosses, where a landowner was able to express a political point. Has the city ever billed Louise for extra police overtime, when the worshippers come and have their candlelight vigils. Who pays for that ? You and me. Do you ever think the city will bill an old pal Mr. Holt, if the tree sitters come? They stayed at UC Berkeley for almost 1 year. Please come out and see for yourself at Sierra Vista way and Session, as the proposed building lot is staked out. You will be horrified what political clout and money may be doing.

Above is only some of many serious other problems with this lot.

City Council - please remember, who elected you. We the People. Mr. Holt is only 1 vote.

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