Good for the shipyards

Letters to the editor for Dec. 11, 2013: Barrio Logan plan; Chargers stadium; power bills; immigration reform; Gloria’s action plan; global warming

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Good for the shipyards for standing up for their rights. (Shipyards sue over Barrio to stadium) It’s about time some of them called out the Environmental Health Coalition. Clearly, its sole motivation in Barrio Logan is to eliminate all industrial uses, including the shipyards, and replace them with thousands of affordable housing units.

Their bogus lawsuit on the referendum is nothing more than a smoke screen to try to slow momentum throughout the city to overturn this flawed plan. More than 100,000 signatures and a judge have already sided with the shipyards on this issue. And now the Environmental Health Coalition’s lawyer is whining about being sued after she sued the shipyards?

I’d say that’s a classic case of the pot calling the kettle black.

Kyle Dylewski
San Diego

MAKE THE REZONE ALL INDUSTRIAL

San Diego has only a small area on the bay, in Barrio Logan, that is suitable to be used to support our essential shipyard industry. The zoning plan the City Council approved attempts to separate industrial use from residential use by a buffer zone.

It did not work on airplanes when smoking was allowed, and it will not work here. Rezoning all lands industrial west of I-5 is the only solution. Existing residents whose property is rezoned industrial could use the dramatic increase in the value of their property to purchase in more suitable areas.
Richard Cardulla

TEAM OWNERS MUST CULTIVATE SUPPORT

Chargers owner Alex Spanos has never tried to cultivate a relationship with our community. He has not established residence in San Diego. He shows up for games and heads back to Stockton. He offended fans with his “a deal’s a deal” response to the city when it requested relief from the horrible ticket guarantee provision in the stadium lease.

Son Dean, who now runs the team, doesn’t project the abrasive personality of his father, but he has a lot of work ahead. His challenge is to demonstrate what the Chargers are willing to invest in a stadium.

I have never heard a cogent argument against a major renovation of the “Q” and such an analysis should be made. The location offers great access and parking. A downtown stadium would seem to mostly be an economic advantage to Chargers ownership. If Chargers ownership insists on a new stadium downtown, they should commit to at least most of the cost. That, coupled with a healthy dose of community involvement, would go a long way toward developing the public’s trust and support.

Dorwyn Turnbull

Rancho Bernardo

USE LESS ENERGY, BUT PAY MORE

Every year we seem to have to pay more for less energy. We were asked by SDG&E to save those precious watts, turn out those lights, turn down the heat, turn up the air conditioner, buy fluorescent light bulbs — conserve electricity everywhere we could.

What happened after we did that for a few years? SDG&E got less income. Did it plan for this by reducing operation costs? If we're using less, shouldn't it cost less to provide energy? I guess not, because we're paying more while consuming 10 to 20 percent less every year.

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Jesse, you may someday win the scientific argument, but you have lost the political argument.

The most Green" nation on this earth is Germany in which support for AGW has dropped from the 60s into the 30s, other nations including this one show even less support and you can blame Al Gore and the other politicians who over-scared while the measurements under-performed.

Until measurements meet predictions, supporters of AGW have no one to blame but themselves.

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