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# Rebooting Barrio Logan plan

## Faulconer pledges to work toward new compromise

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Mayor Kevin Faulconer talks about Propositions B and C related to the Barrio Logan community. At left is former Mayor Jerry Sanders and at right, Len Hering, a retired admiral who oversaw the San Diego naval command. — Southwest Strategies

Mayor Kevin Faulconer pledged Wednesday to work out an acceptable compromise on the Barrio Logan community plan. (<http://www.facebook.com/sharer.php?u=http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2014/may/21/barrio-logan-referendum-b-c-propositions/all/?print>)

The plan and implementing ordinances appear as Propositions B and C on the June 3 citywide ballot in a referendum, mounted by local shipyards that don't like the plan that was adopted by the City Council in September. (<https://twitter.com/share?url=http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2014/may/21/barrio-logan-referendum-b-c-propositions/all/?print>)

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At a press conference outside City Hall, Faulconer, who voted against the plan when he was on the council, reiterated his opposition to the plan. He was joined by former Mayor Jerry Sanders and Len Hering, the former "navy mayor" when he headed the local Navy command.

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"When these measures are voted down, it will be our opportunity to come together as a community to pass a plan that works to protect our families, to protect our economy," Faulconer said.

Hecklers shouted the speakers whose loudspeakers were not working and the session lasted long enough to make their statements.

Sanders, who heads the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, has been a lead opponent of the plan for the 1,000-acre community located southeast of downtown. He says shipyards and their suppliers are in jeopardy because of increased restrictions embedded in the plan.

Sanders called the plan "bad for both residents and businesses" and Hering said, "Let us try to do this again."



The environmental health of residents in Barrio Logan is one of the issues in the new plan appearing as Propositions B and C on the June 3 ballot. — Hayne Palmour IV

To separate housing from industry, a five-block buffer zone was created in the plan that would ban new residential and industrial suppliers, while allowing such existing uses to remain in place and expand by no more than 20 percent.

But the suppliers did not like that solution, nor did they like the prospect of having to apply for conditional use permits.

Faulconer did not lay out how he would develop a new plan. A new plan and implementing ordinances could not return to the council for at least a year, unless there are substantial changes from the rejected plan.

Plan supporters say the new plan would protect existing businesses and worry that if B and C pass, other community plan updates might face their own referendums if opponents disagree with the results.

Diane Takvorian, executive director of the Environmental Health Coalition, a key defender of the barrio plan, said opponents are misrepresenting the facts and questioned how a new compromise could come together if B and C lose.

"I have not heard one concrete proposal from either Mayor Faulconer or from the shipyards about what change they would make to the community plan," Takvorian said.

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