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Pulled from under the Times' white sheets...

LA citizens & noncitizens alike! (those few of you reading english included), I'm prepared to drag your bloody 'LA Times' RAG to the heap of aristocratic droppings from whence it came! NUMERO UNO: the Case of the Rodney-King Kover Up Exposed. Pulled from beneath the 'Times' own "white sheets" so to speak:

Q #1: Do you know how long LA 'Slimes' reporters took to "publish" that TWENTY-SEVEN! (and not 15 or 21) police officers were "present" at Mr. R. King's helicopter-lighted, baton-lynching*? (*=a description suggested by Jesse Jackson during an April 6th speech at Parker Center).

THREE WEEKS FOLKS, THAT'S CORRECT, THREE FULL FUKK'N WEEKS!!!

And this supposed tardiness despite the printed fact that Times' sleuths had already interviewed several Lakeview Terrace eyewitnesses by March 6! The videotape footage itself (imprinted w/ the date Mar. 3, and further evidence of number of police present) was presumably available TOO during the greater part of these same 3 wks.

Were LA Slimes editors more concerned about "damage control" re. the breaking story than in printing the facts as they came available? Or doesn't this worry anyone?

Q #2: Have you deduced the tortoise-like strategy of the "Slimes" in conducting (telephone) "polls" while poo-pooing the AVALANCHE OF READER MAIL sent directly to the newspaper??? Namely THOUSANDS of letters condemning the LAPD along with it's (mis)chief apologist: Darryl Gates.

BY MARCH THE 13th, THE TIMES ADMITTED RECEIVING 532 PIECES OF MAIL CRITICAL OF THE GATES/LAPD, WITH ONLY 41 PIECES LUMPED TOGETHER UNDER THE LABEL "NONCOMMITTAL" or "LEANING TOWARD THE POLICE".

On the 10th of March however, the Times printed on it's front page a headline "POLL" with results of it's own late and lame questionnaire: "Do you approve of the LAPD's handling" etc. Yet NOT ONE SINGLE LETTER TO THE TIMES (editor) HAD BEEN PUBLISHED!

Was this not a bald-headed attempt to purposefully deflect the mounting rage of (especially) S. Central and other inner-city dwellers? WERE THE UNPUBLISHED LETTERS NOT BY AND LARGE severe reactions to much and vicious past LAPD brutalities? Or was

this just "sterilizing" nasty, ugly (real) news? IF YOU THINK NOT...READ ON NEOPHYTE!

Three thousand two letters later, with 2,024 now counted "against" Gates/LAPD... the Slimes "discovered" 978 "in favor" of our New World Gestapo!! This "count" was accomplished by losing total track of the "non-committal" letters! (and most likely lumping them together w/ the fringe nazi fanatics).

In one month, the aristocratic Slimes "stooped" to permit the printing of plain "citizens" letters 4 WHOLE DAYS!! And this despite a daily OUTPOURING of news articles, editorials, "commentary articles", cartoons and quips located everywhere else inside it's pages. By the editors' own admission (in April!), the "police beating" story had already outdistanced every other news feature with 2,561 pieces of mail received to this single subject period.

Q #3: Can you guess how the Times stacked this paltry print of letters?

By month's end, I counted 30 arguing against our "police apparatus", w/ 16 arguing in favor of it (2 undecipherable). Seven of these letters too, were from "dignitaries" as opposed to the great "untouchables" ie. (unprintable) LA "residents".

Q #4: Or did you notice the absolute STUFFING of non-letter pages with "expert" guest columns &/or highly pro-police diatribes by various community lackeys &/or national faunts?

By the end of March, more "articles and editorials" (56) by such LA notables as Carol Tavris-a "social psychologist who writes frequently on behavioral research" or the nationally-known pathological liar William Buckley Jr. were printed than all of the local (readers) letters altogether (52). Even so short as the letters were.

In general, many "expert" opinions spent a great deal of words pouring continued alibis and unadulterated fantasies in favor of police forces. William Buckley Jr.'s rationale that police logically relieved steam against King in an incredibly dangerous "hot pursuit" a typical try.

Q #5: And can you imagine what type of tripe lying is possible when the gut reactions of a community populace are ignored?

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THIS IS YOUR BRAIN ON THE L.A.P.D.



ANY QUESTIONS?

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Identify Your Terms:

Semantics and the 6th District Runoff

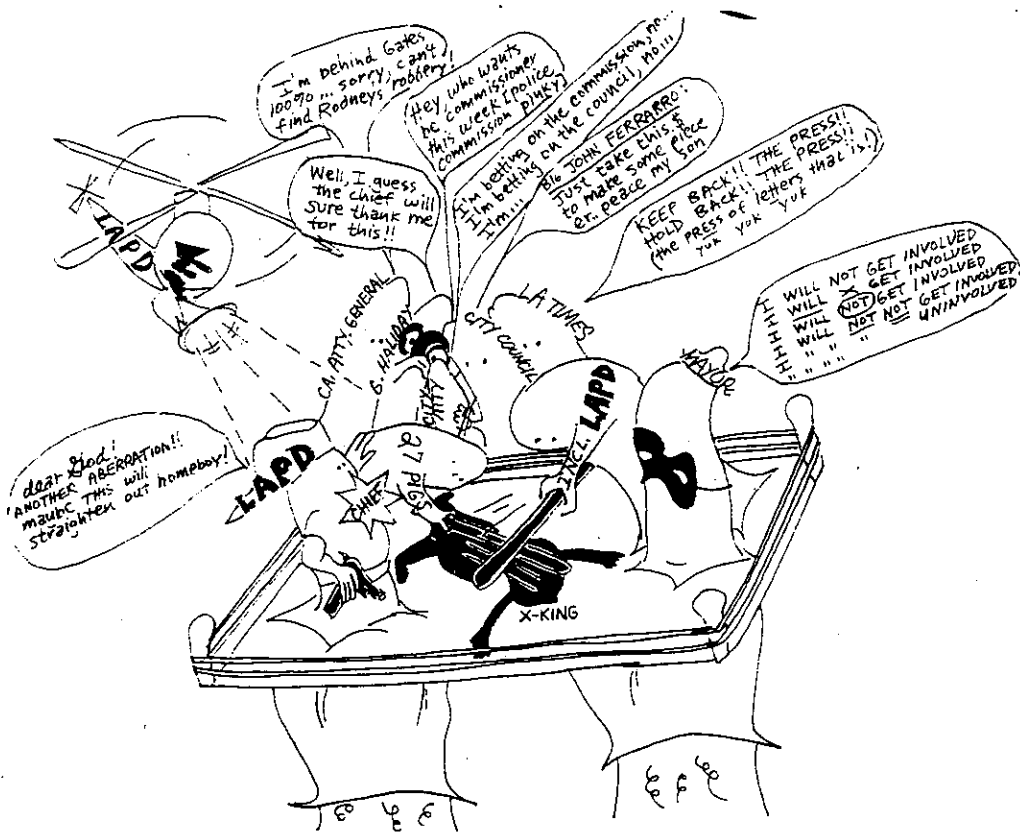
by Judith L. Martin

Democratic:1) Of, marked by, or advocating democracy. 2)a) Relating to, encompassing, or promoting the interests of the people. b) carried on by the general populace. 3) Believing in or practicing social equality.

Republican:1) Of, relating to, or typical of a republic. 2) Favoring a republican form of government.

Welcome to the runoff election of the sixth district, another example of the fine non-choices available to us as voters in America today. In the Democratic option, we have incumbent Ruth Galanter. In the Republican slot we have Mary Lee Gray, the challenger. Since politics in this era is almost entirely a matter of semantics, the above definitions are ones that should be read and considered with great care. Although we have all been told, from grade school on, that we live in a democracy, our form of government is actually that of a republic. We do not participate directly, we elect people to represent us. This is why it is so crucial that the people we elect will function as public servants. Whichever party they espouse, it is their job to carry out the will of the folks who elected them. That is how the system is supposed to work.

Ms. Galanter, in her previous term of office, arrived as a democrat, and then set up shop as a republican. Her one-time supporters have become cynics on the subjects that she campaigned on so ardently; slow-growth, community input to the office, access to the council. While she takes huge donations from developers, and seems to be doing all she can to represent them, she has, sadly, turned into "just another politician" for the people of Venice, Crenshaw and Westchester. She appeared at only 2 of the 10 pre-election debates, and is notoriously difficult to approach unless you are a pre-approved member of the inner circle. Although she is still affiliated as a democrat, it would be hard to imagine a more republican style of representation. **Continued on Page 2**



THE CALIFORNIA WHITE GLOVE TREATMENT

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It was only a few short weeks into the story when the 'Times' had the gall to pose John Ferrarro's picture (between that of Darryl Gates & Tom Bradley) on the front page as an example of "A PEACE-MAKER"! Ferrarro, president of the LA city council, a man central to the rubber-stamping of LAPD practices for years had just helped gut the first true effort by LA's police commission to conduct an investigation of the LAPD period. And by agreeing to settle with Darryl Gates against the city (for which he supposedly represents) and even before trial!! (Indeed, Gates had not even been charged with any particular offense.)

Bradley was shown as the smiling jackal on one side, with Gates bestowing loving praises for the elderly if not senile hypocrite Ferrarro in the middle. In the real & raw furor surrounding the stench of city-hall politics-as-usual, Gates yearned out loud for the "blessed peace maker" Ferrarro in true, made-for-Hollywood, sacharine fashion. With the 'Slimes' printing the entire melodrama as down-home, hard "news"!

Q #6: Would you like to hear the true transcript of our city's legal wrangling over (mis)chief Gates before his honorable judge Sohigian (which will no doubt ever see the light of one smoggy LA day)?:

JUDGE SOHIGIAN: (to Darryl Gates): And what is your charge sir?

GATES: I'm suing the city for defamation of my sterling reputation & denying me the due process of a fullblown circus prior to taking a forced vacation.

JUDGE SOHIGIAN: (to un-named RightSide-of-Tongue City Attorney): And what is your defense?

RIGHTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: Defense?! We have no defense your honor. We're guilty. If the Chief please won't charge us w/ damages...we'll be pleased to withdraw our demand he go on vacation immediately...thereby permittin him to return to work straightaway!

(un-named) LEFTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: Excuse us your honor...I'm sorry, but I'm afraid the City Attorney (RightSide-of-Tongue) mis-spoke. You see, I represent the defendants Police Commission here, and I already advised defendants of their right to proceed with Mr. Gates' 60 day-paid leave of absence!

JUDGE SOHIGIAN: But,

RIGHTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: Wait a minute your honor! This slime-bag City Attorney (LeftSide-of-my-Tongue) has NO

legal standing here to speak! You see, me and the Chief agreed to our settlement before even arriving here in court!

CITY ATTORNEY LEFTSIDE-of-TONGUE: Objection your honor!! Objection!!

RIGHTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: (continuing): So there is no reason to listen to the LeftSide-of-my-Tongue City Attorney!

JUDGE SOHIGIAN: Is this true LeftSide-of-Tongue City Attorney?

(then to City Attorney RightSide-of-Tongue): Well when did you arrive at representing PLAINTIFF's in this proposed settlement?

RIGHTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: Directly after my LeftSide-of-Tongue partner agreed to represent DEFENDANTS in initiating the leave of absence!

LEFTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: (interrupting): So that PROVES I was representing defendants first!!!

RIGHTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: No, No, No!! You can't talk here! This isn't defendant's case...it's PLAINTIFF'S!!

LEFTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: You complete asshole...WE represent DEFENDANTS in this case...we CAN'T represent plaintiffs!

RIGHTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY: Please, Please your honor!! Look at the turmoil this is causing our city!

JUDGE SOHIGIAN: But aren't you the ones representing the city??

RIGHTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY and LEFTSIDE-of-TONGUE CITY ATTORNEY (in unison): Yes, Yes...but no, no...but yes we're here on behalf of Mr. Gates, er...I mean the Police Commission...er I mean the council...

I object!! I object!!

JUDGE SOHIGIAN: Alright Darryl...go back to work. I can't stand to see you on vacation if we have to continue listening to these blabbering flunkies. I hereby order you back in 2 weeks for more of this shit.

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Socialization by Chip Gatz

The war in the Gulf wasn't really a war at all. It was just another battle in the ongoing war on public opinion, a cover-up, a distraction, a small spoke in the training wheel of socialization in the U.S.A.

Part of the built-in survival mechanism of an unaccountable, non-representative "government" includes a docile, easily manageable society achieved primarily through fear, and ignorance is the result. The occasional and inevitable "crisis" is not just a series of coincidences, but a necessary symptom of a new world mentality that is dehumanizing by design.

Take Republican re-election strategy, for instance. Once you get past the censored headlines, belligerent nationalism, and spooned bullshit, it's easy to see that you don't have to be a card-carrying liberal to understand the truth about oil, money, hatred, and war (although it does help). Not only are the issues divided and re-divided, our attention is divided as well, by the misinformation-filled media circus. Subsequently, seemingly unrelated sub-issues attract sporadic following from splintered factions of would-be activists. Divide and they conquer, taking the "us" out of "us and them". We become the outlaws and the soldiers, and the few that are left standing are forced to sell-out at one level or another, simply out of survival-related necessity. That, or become homeless. The rare individual who can maintain an integrity level and still survive in a world run by whores may see the need to question authority, but even he or she has to go back to work the next day and too often forgets the question while selling time and labor to the machine. So it's one big distraction after one big manipulation after another. People are brutalized and raped, which is covered up through murder, deception, and war. This is the status-quo. And as long as these are seen as separate issues, "we" can't unite against "them". But we know who we are (Don't we?). C'mon, let's get together and get involved. Demand the truth. Demand change. Let's rally around peace and freedom, and let it be our strongest alliance. Before it's too late.

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I got hit with a lot of shit at an early age.
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 and onto the stage.

I was hung by a cord like a rope.
 A post-natal umbilical choke.
 It was hard, and I couldn't cope
 with the human race
 and I fell on my face
 and I hurt my head.

But the womb it was like a balloon.
 And it followed me like the moon.
 So I went for a ride
 and I crawled back inside
 and I died,
 and I'm better off dead.

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6th District Runoff

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As for the actual Republican party republican, Ms. Mary Lee Gray is, of course, campaigning like a democrat. I have seen her speaking at environmental rallies, shaking hands with the disenfranchised, promising that she will really represent the district the way that it wants to be represented. But what do we know about this candidate, except that she's a republican? Her previous position was with Deane Dana, and politicians can hardly get more republican than that. The pattern that seems to be coming through here is one so obvious, it hardly needs to be articulated. When they are running for office, they promise all the things that people want. When they get there, they do what they please, people be damned. Until the next election, when every possible "I kept my promises" senerio will be blown up and pasted on literature all over town, to prove the (untrue) fact that they deserve to be re-elected.

Does it make you stop and think, when everyone runs like a democrat and works like a republican? Do you want this kind of contest to be your civic duty, or were you hoping for something more interesting? I'll go, I'll vote, because it is my civic duty. But consider the idea that it took 500 years for Republican Rome to fall to Imperial Rome. Here in America, after only 215 years, can we all really be so bored with this charade that we are willing to give up our rights, and just let the rulers rule us? You, yes that's right, you must personally identify your terms, and work from there. Our city council is supposed to be working FOR us, not against us. Maybe next time, you'll run for office. I bet you could do a much better job.

(Feminist postscript; How can it be that with two women running for 6th district council, neither one of them posses any of the female qualities that could help to change this gov't? Where is the open forum, where is the circular model of community, where is the notion of equality? Between them, they have all the feminist appeal of Maggie Thatcher. Really, ladies, becoming a patriarch isn't the answer.)

The Black Male as an Endangered Species

By Michael T. Jackson

(The following speech was delivered at L.A. Harbor College on April 17, 1991)

Imagine that you are sitting at home. Person or persons unknown to you break down the door and shoot your father, who has been retired for 4 years. Your mom is injected with some kind of substance and gets cancer. Your brother is taken away, and not allowed to return for 20 years. Your sister's newborn child dies and another brother, on seeing this, kills himself. If persons unknown were to do this, without a doubt you would gather the posse and ride. You'd be like Ice T talkin' about "this is personal". Wake up! This is no fantasy. This is happening and it's happening now! We black men are rapidly becoming an endangered species.

The L.A. Times of April 9 cites a report from the Department of Health and Human Services, our life expectancy of 69.2 years is the lowest in the nation. This is barely more than 4 years past the mandatory retirement age. It is a full 6 years less than whites, whose life expectancy is 75.2 years. Over 50% of all black men age 18-24 are under the control of the criminal justice system. This means on probation, in jail or on parole. The infant mortality rate for whites is 9.1 per 1000, ours is 18 per 1000. This may not sound like much, but multiplied by 100 or 1000, the result is horrifying. The suicide rate of black men age 18-24 is among the highest in the country. Our cancer rate is 6 to 10% higher than that of whites. Worse yet, the leading cause of death among blacks in America is homicide. More than cancer more than heart attacks or strokes. We die violent deaths more often than any one else.

We died, manacled and malnourished, as cargo on slave ships. Loss of life is estimated in the hundreds of thousand. We were lynched when we tried to gain our freedom, when we tried to protect our 40 acres and our mule, when we walked tall and proud down the street. We know this, it's part of American history! There have been some changes, the fact that we are here shows change. The fact that we can mass in a group. The fact that we are in a college. The fact that we are sitting here with brown, yellow, red and

white students and faculty shows some change. But there has not been enough change. And yet we are learning.

If we have learned nothing else, we must now learn that the government, the "power structure" and the People-in-Charge will be of little or no help to us. When President Chamorro of Nicaragua asks the congress for 10 years of aid & loans, how could they not? When Kurds are dying at a rate over over a thousand per day and need help, how could they not? When we need assistance, Federal equality bills are being vetoed. Social programs covering many areas are being cut; how could they? It is becoming more and more difficult to get an education. There are now teachers protesting in Los Angeles over cuts in the education budget. We cannot count on help. We must help ourselves. We must improve the education system in America. Because we live in a Eurocentric society, that is the slant of our education. There have been many contributions by many peoples that have gone into the making of America. Black American history must be taught, and at an early age. When we teach children about the Boston Massacre, we must also teach them about Crispus Attucks. The strides we have made in the arts are more readily seen than those in any other discipline but the major contributions by Black Americans in the sciences and medicine must now become common knowledge. The name of Charles R. Drew must have the same kind recognition as the name of Edward K. "Duke" Ellington. We must learn!

Crime is not exclusive to the black community, in spite of what you are told by the media. It is everywhere. But as I've already mentioned, the leading cause of death is homicide. Most often at the hands of another Black. This is too sad for words. It is scandalous! Nearly every day we hear of another gang related killing, and many of these are young children; innocent bystanders. Every time one of these kids dies, gangmember and non-gangmember alike, we lose. We lose another potential Doctor, or Judge. We lose another potential civic leader. Getting shot down behind some colors is not a glamorous or heroic way to die for the hood. It is senseless violence, nothing more. What is the cause of the problem? Clearly there are several factors, but at the top of any list, the

reason could be drugs. Casual drug use, as well as drug abuse, touches every community and every race. Once again, this is a problem that is not exclusive to the Black community, but for whatever reasons, on our community the effects are catastrophic. It causes health problems, most often for those with no access to health care. Drugs contribute to our high infant mortality rate. Those babies that are born, and who survive drug withdrawal, are left with severe disabilities which we must deal with. Drugs are making far too many people uneducable and therefore unemployable. Many turn to stealing to get money for drugs. Some get drugs for money. When money is needed, and we all need that kind of green to get by, some people will do anything to get it; this includes "slingin' the rock" to little kids. Anything to get "mo' money, mo' money, mo' money". Reports tell us that gangs sell drugs to finance their activities as well as buy Nike, Polo, and much gold! This kind of "new Jack" economic system cannot work. It is a drain on us all. We must stage our own "Boxer Rebellion" and throw the oppressors who bring these drugs out. When left to the Government, it only means more of our young men "down by law", and there's still a drug problem. These young men are only a part of the picture. Does anyone really believe that Cuz and Blood are driving down to Peru to pick up some flake and then rockin' it up when they get back to the hood? If so, wake up and find out what time it is. We have to do more than "just say no" before it is too late.

Many people on many different sides are saying we face these problems because we have no unity. And that we have no unity because we have no leader. But if you really think about it, we have pretty much the same leaders now, in Jesse Jackson and Louis Farrakhan as we did some 30 years ago with Dr. King and Malcolm X. And there are other men and women, committed to positive change in the Black community. But more need to become involved. By being college students, many of us have come

much farther than so many others. If for no other reason than that, it is our responsibility to help end this kind of madness that threatens our existence.

It is up to us, and it is up to all of us. We must make every effort and then do even more.

To let you know I'm not just throwing words at you, my educational goal is to become a teacher. I will then go back to the hood, and teach Political Science to high school seniors. Teach them how the system works, or is just supposed to work. Teach them the real importance of voting, so that the people who died to gain us that right did not die in vain! They must be taught to use these tools to instigate a positive change or they will be lost. And we will be lost right along with them. It is up to us. I will leave you with the words of James Baldwin, "And God gave Noah the rainbow sign, no more water, the fire next time".

THERE WE WENT aGAIN!

And again...and again...and again

by Diane Nickerson

So here we are, mid-year 1991. For years now, people have been saying the 60's were ripe for re-picking. You know now that we're all over 30, you can trust us, so let's pick it up and do it again. Only let's do it right this time. Right. What were we thinking? Didn't we learn anything? At least in the 60's we really tried to stay one step ahead of the "establishment". Today, we have not only bought, (quite literally for some), into this same establishment, but have been buffaloes by some "elder statesmen" into believing we are the establishment. But wait. I never did want to be a member of that club. Did you? Weren't we going to change some things? O.K., so somebody was listening, namely the Republican party and the last 2 administrations to hit in Washington, D.C. Puppet, I mean President Reagan and his cronies pulled a serious fast one on this willing American public and successfully stole the 1980 Presidential election by holding strategically placed American diplomats- and the rest of this country hostage- in the mideast. At least the deal was sealed. Come on, you were there. Did you really buy the screenplay? You know, the one starring our best actor/leading man, Ronald Reagan? And wife Nancy and the wimp/bully, George Bush. Did you think it was just a neat coincidence that the hostages in Iran were successfully released from their very own personal hell by accident? Think again, and you will realize that releasing the hostages on Inauguration Day '81 was one, if not the most calculated moves in American political history. You were witness to the actual birthing of this great fraud that came to be known as "The Great Communicator" Ronald Wilson Reagan.

To Be Forever Continued
by Diane Nickerson

Page D-9, L.A. Times, Sept. 16, 1990

LETTERS

Readers Outraged Over Celebrity Campaign to Have Sentencing Judge Go Easy on Milken

Regarding your article "They Like Mike" (Sept. 11) on the letters of support for Michael Milken, Milken has pleaded guilty to stealing enough money to live comfortably after paying \$600 million in fines and giving many other millions of stolen dollars to charity. His sale of junk bonds has been instrumental in the failure of countless businesses, careers and lives. He has been deeply implicated in the theft of more than \$1,000 from every man, woman and child in this country through his involvement in the S&P debacle.

Greed is a constant in human existence, and many thieves have felt guilty enough to give part of their ill-gotten gains to worthy causes. It is harder to understand the myopia of leaders such as Catholic Archbishop Roger M. Mahoney, State Superintendent of Public Instruction Bill Honig, et al. It would seem their moral and ethical values are for sale.

Hardest for me to understand is Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl F. Gates. A man in charge of 8,400 armed men and women offhandedly recommends the execution of misdemeanor drug users after writing a letter in support of parole for an admitted and convicted felon. Where is the consistency in this? He cites Milken's willingness to go into dangerous neighborhoods to work. Perhaps Gates would recommend parole for our local gang bangers to go into some of these same neighborhoods. After all, they would be more than willing and they have already



Michael Milken
Killed hundreds of casual drug users.
JOHN C. WILLIS
San Valley

I hope this one will be as effective as the Willie Horton commercial we filmed in '88....



W.C. Liedtke; Co-Founder of Pennzoil

L.A. Times, Feb. 16th, 1991

Obituary

Page A-24, L.A. Times, March 4th, 1991

From Associated Press

HOUSTON William C. Liedtke Jr., former business partner of President Bush who co-founded Pennzoil Co. and helped turn it into one of the nation's largest oil companies, has died of cancer at age 66.

Liedtke and his brother, Hugh, got their start in the oil business after serving as naval officers in the South Pacific during World War II. In the mid-1950s, they teamed up with then-oilman George Bush and John K. Overbey to form Zapata Petroleum Co.

Bush and his wife, Barbara, "are deeply saddened at the loss of our very dear and close friend," they said Saturday in a statement.

In 1960, the brothers began a cooperative drilling program with South Penn Oil Co. and set up Stetco Petroleum, of which Liedtke was president. In 1963, Zapata Petroleum and Stetco merged with South Penn, which was soon renamed Pennzoil after its nationally known lube oil trademark.

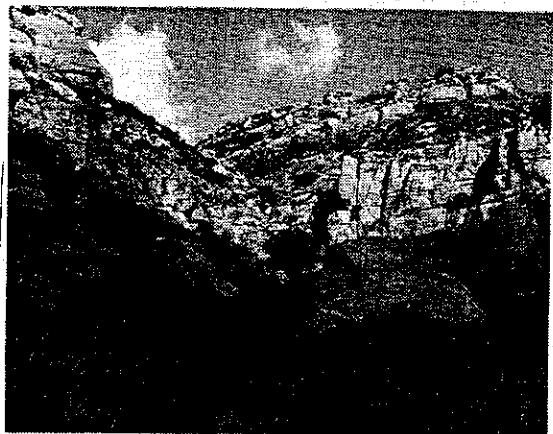
Liedtke served as president of Pennzoil from 1967 to 1977, when he became chairman and chief executive officer of Pogo Pennzoil is the nation's 14th-largest oil company.

John A. McCone, who helped form the Central Intelligence Agency and served as its director during the Cuban missile crisis in 1962, has died at his home in Pebble Beach. He was 89.

McCone began his career as a riveter and boilermaker for the Llewellyn Iron Works in Los Angeles, and rose to superintendent and construction manager before becoming executive vice president and director of the merged Consolidated Steel Corp.

He left in 1937 to found his own company with Stephen Bechtel, Bechtel-McCone Corp., which built oil refineries and power plants throughout the United States, South America and Middle East. During World War II, the firm modified B-24 and B-29 bombers at its aircraft modification center in Alabama.

In the mid 1970s, a Senate investigation showed that the CIA during McCone's tenure had carried on the illegal surveillance of more than 10,000 U.S. citizens and had tried to assassinate foreign leaders, including Cuban President Fidel Castro and Patrice Lumumba in Africa.



It's summertime--and after a winter of war and right-wing rhetoric, the land blooms with wildflowers and bulldozers. Forget the crowds at the beach--Head for the Hills!



Capital Fact From L.A. Times--Page A22--March 9th, 1991

California lost nearly 200,000 acres of farm- and wildlands to urban development in the four-year period ending in 1988, and the rate of loss increases yearly, according to the state Department of Conservation.

—By Jerry Gillam, Times staff writer

Los Angeles

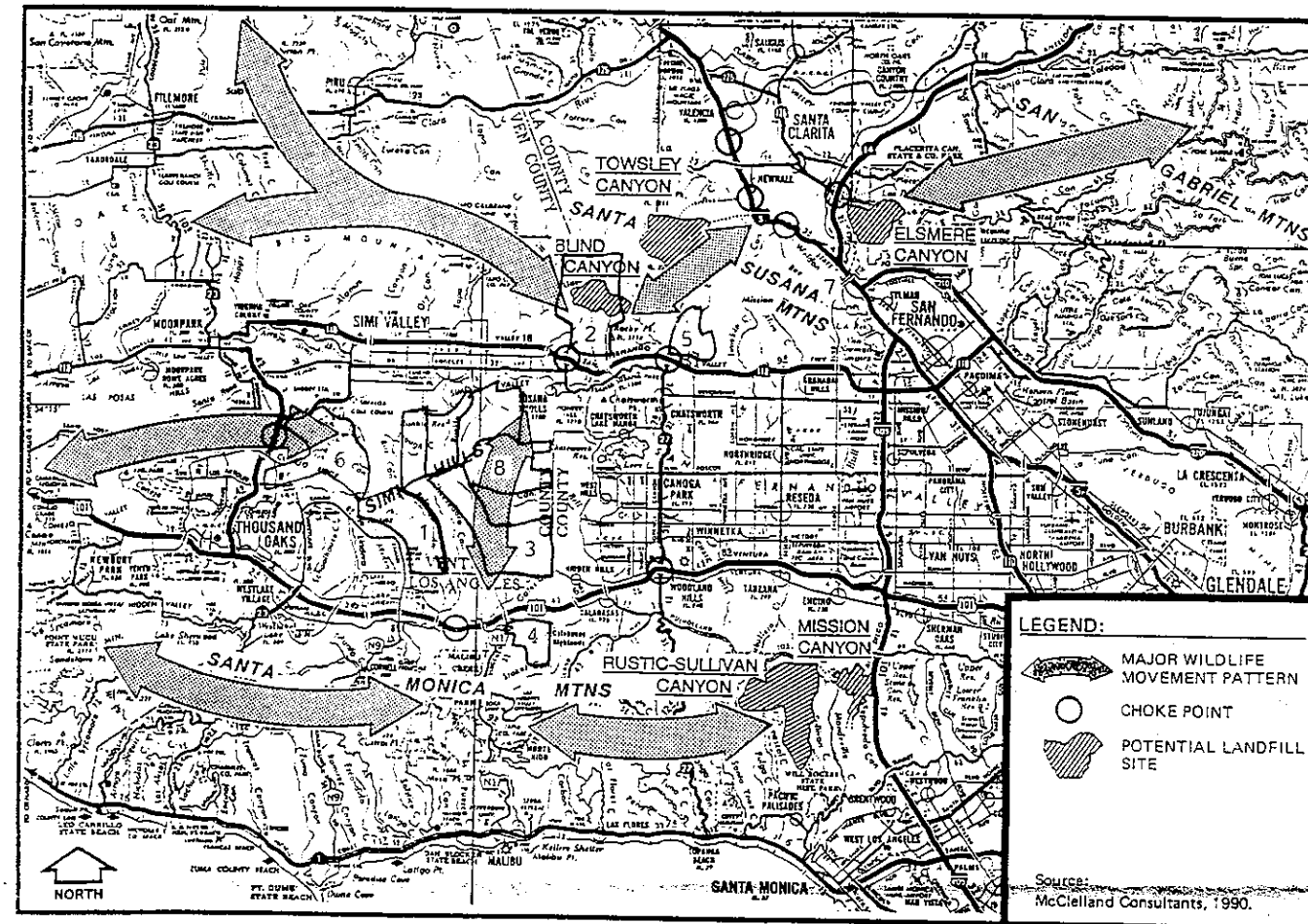


This is an infra-red satellite photo of the L.A. Basin. Black areas are undeveloped land. White areas are pavement or buildings.

According to a little publicized report released in April 1990 called "THE STATE OF THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENT" written by the L.A. City Environmental Quality Board:

"The City is currently at only 25% of its long-range goal of providing sufficient urban recreational open space for use by its inhabitants",

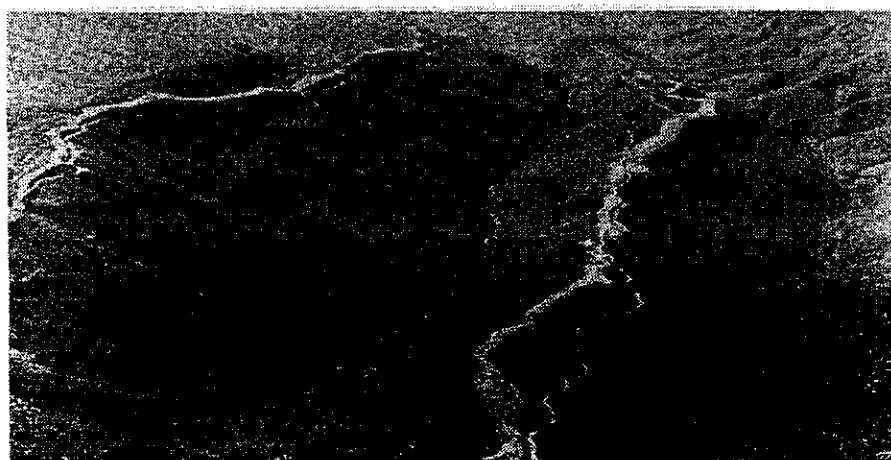
... "That inadequacy will increase as the City further densifies over the next 20+ years. Large amounts of additional land will be needed to make up for the existing deficiencies and to accommodate the open space needs of any future population growth."



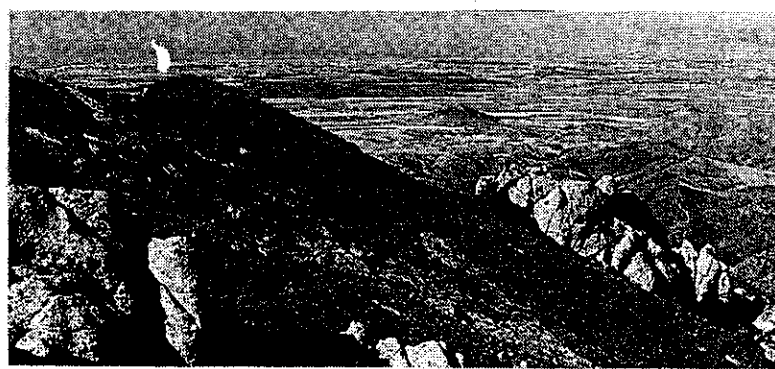
AND ASSORTED DEVELOPMENTS...

- 1--Jordan Ranch-Bob Hope
2--Runkle Ranch-Bob Hope
3--Ahmanson Ranch
4--Calabasas Park West
5--Porter Ranch
6--Wood Ranch
7--Sunshine Canyon landfill
8--Rockwell Nuke and rocket
engine test site

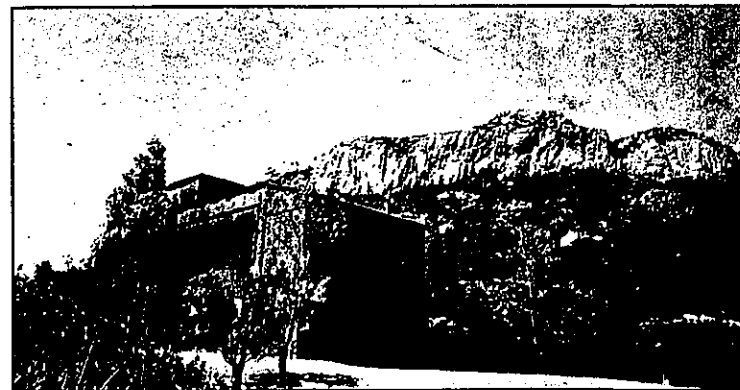
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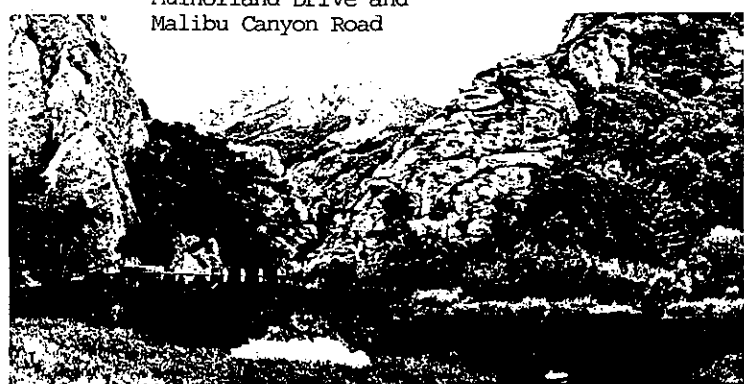
A proposed extension of Reseda Boulevard could lead to use of Rustic and Sullivan Canyons as landfill sites. In this photo, the two canyons are depicted, looking south of Mulholland Drive. The proposed extension of Reseda Boulevard would be approximately ¾ mile west (to the right).



Rugged peaks contrast with coastal farmlands to the north.



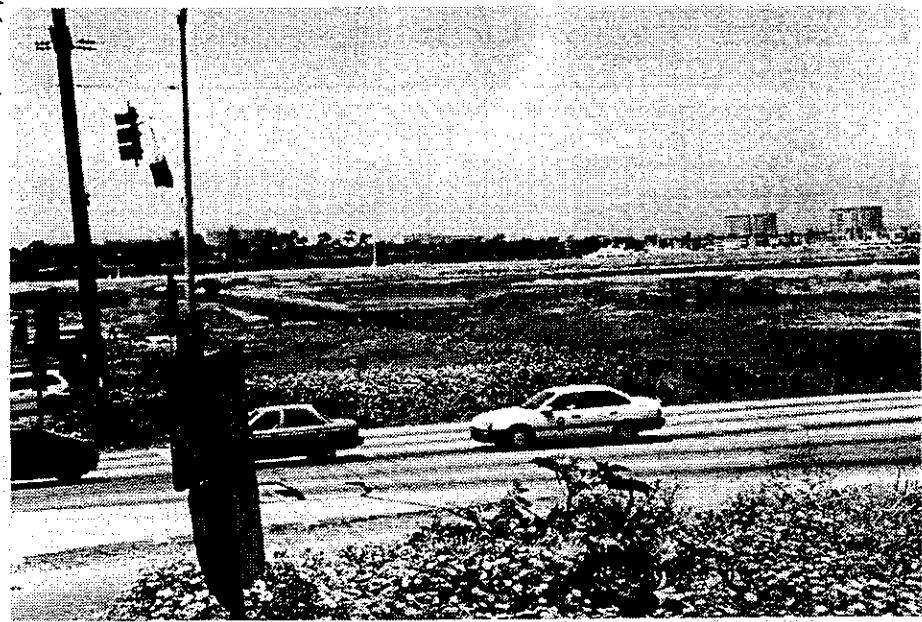
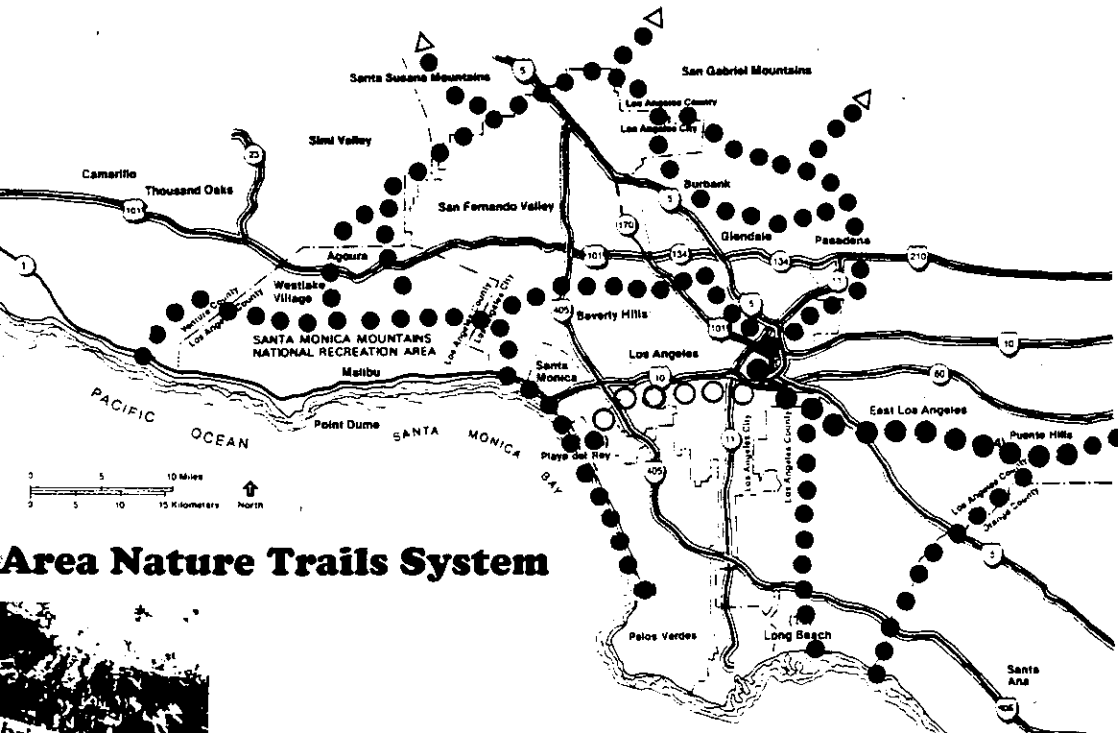
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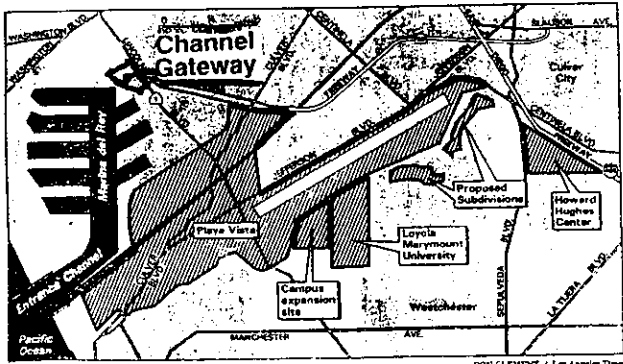
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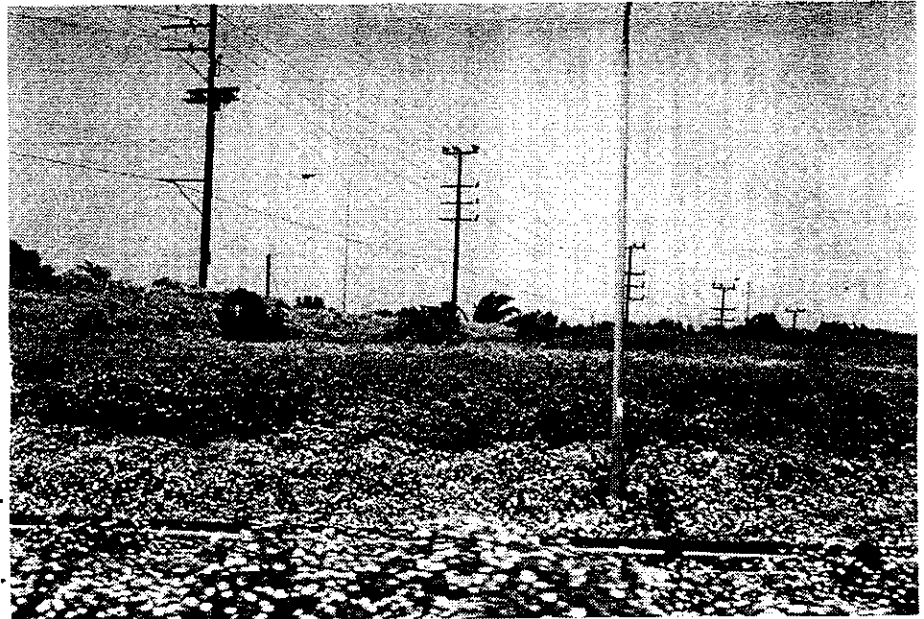
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But the rest of Playa Vista--the part developers want to pave with condos and office buildings--is just as beautiful.

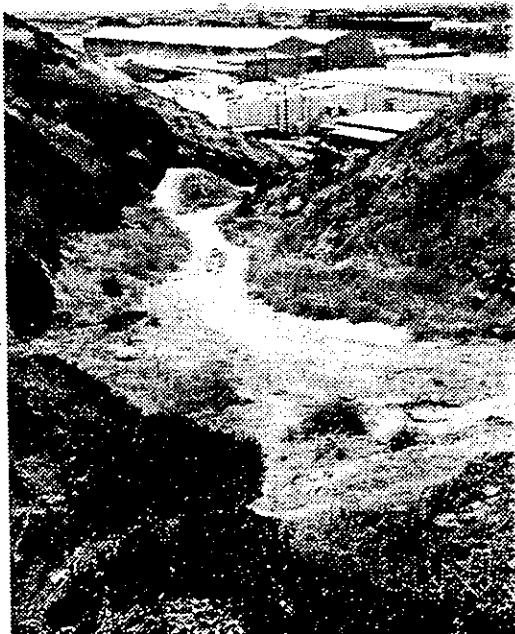
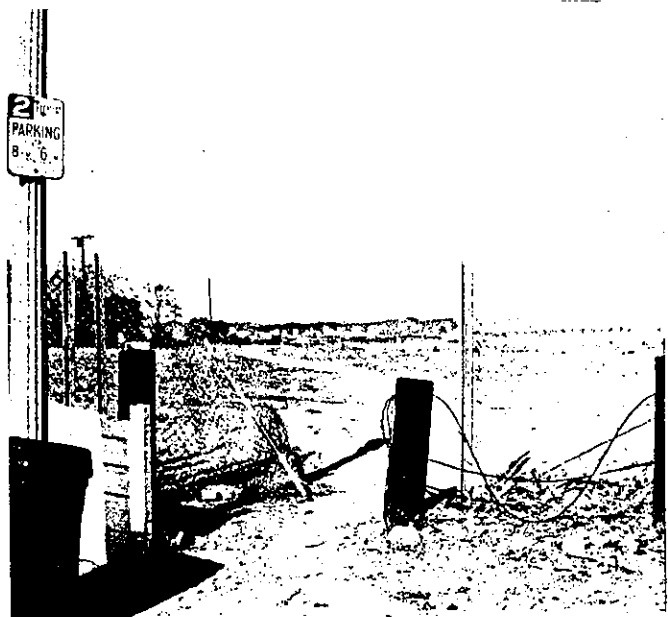


Yellow Marguerites in bloom at Playa Vista



Trails at Kentwood Avenue--Westchester Bluffs
Site of UCLA housing project--approved by
Ruth Galanter---May 1989.

Dunbarton Avenue trails--Westchester Bluffs



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Archidyne--The Bio-Climactic House

by Jacques Rameau

by Mark Giacomelli

a review

There is not a "solution type" for the house in regards to qualities of the site, local climatic characteristics, needs of the family, etc... The house we are proposing, despite its frozen appearance, has only as "fixed" the principles of adaptation to the necessities of a bio-climatic habitat.

I-THE PRINCIPLES

Four principle ideas are exploited:

- 1) The Climate: profiting from, or protecting against.

- North-south orientation: allows for passive solar captaton. Temperate climatic aggressions such as northern winds for example are out of the way rather than confronted by virtue of its "pyramid-like" aero-dynamic design.

- Exterior spaces are sheltered in the summer and sunny in the winter. Use of wind energy is no problem.

- 2) Intermediate spaces

- Cold rooms such as the garage, and overheated rooms like the kitchen for example are on the north.

- The greenhouse is on the south.

- 3) Thermal enertial confinement

- The north end of the house is underground and the east and west ends are burried partially.

- A thermal mass fills any empty ai space under the house and diffuses cool air from under ground in the summer, while supplying heat from the static captors on the south in the winter.

- The thermal wall:

- a) captures heat by radiance
- b) receives annexed heat sources (stove ventilator, hot water tank, chimney, etc...)
- c) diffuses heat (in connection with the thermal mass)

- 4) Individual and family life

The principle of organization chosen allows us to orient the surfaces on one central place (the transparency of the glass cased wall and greenhouse is a symbol of community and expresses family life) thus fractioning the surfaces, promoting the most favorable conditions for particular activities or individualized isolation.

II-THE ORGANIZATION PRINCIPLES

OF THE HOUSE

- a) The Volume

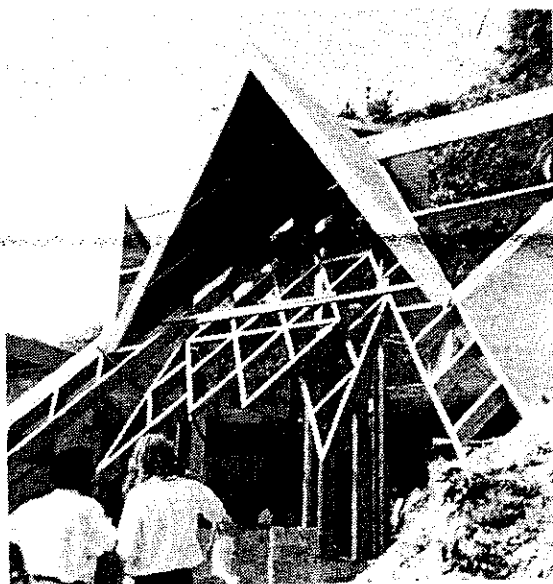
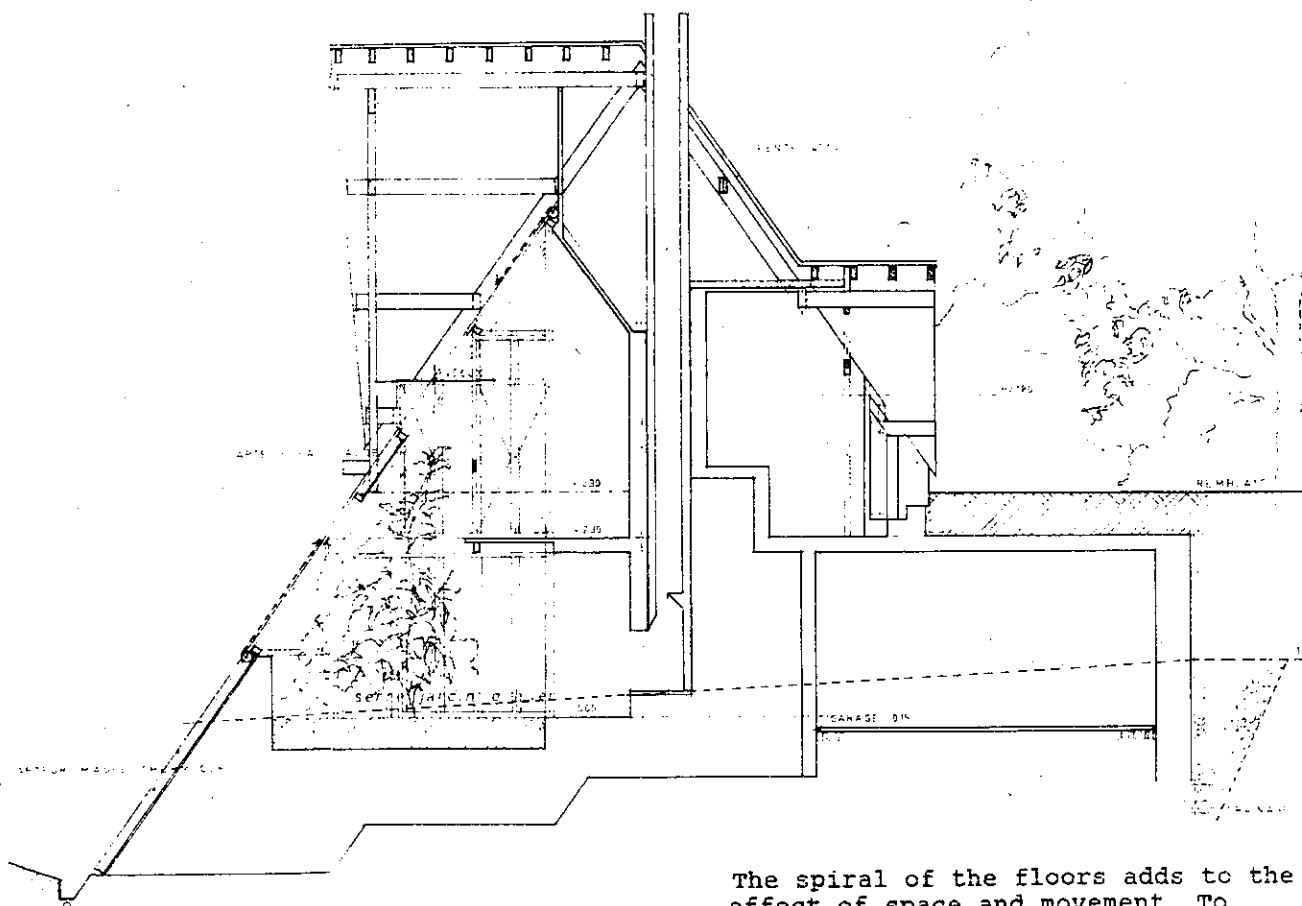
The house's volume is cubicle and implanted on a square, whose angles are oriented following the cardinal directions. The cube is divided by two surfaces, defined by the east-west diagonal of the upper square of the cube and with the lower, or ground surface, extending from the southern angles of the square.

- The inclined angle of the house (commencing from the lower north angle) is perpendicular to the noon day sun of winter.

- The inclined surfaces (of 160 M2) are composed of a glass wall and a roof where active solar energy can be captured to heat water and air as well as producing electricity. (The total space useful is more than adequate: 42 M2 on the south.

- b) The implantation

The natural level of ground soil corresponds to that of the veranda. The soil removed for the implantation and swimming pool is used to cover the northern end of the house. The possibilities of access to the house (in function with the needs of the building site) are multiple:



- The principle access can either be from the ground floor or upstairs.

- Entrance to the garage, integrated with the house, can be on virtually any end of the house the same as the principle ground floor entrance (N.E., N.W., S.E., or S.W.).

- c) The windows

The bays are exceptionally large (50 M2). However, the insulation is good owing to its square and cubicle design, so you have more volume for surface area.

The bays are diversified. The glass cased wall insures the general lighting of most rooms, either through the veranda, or directly through the exterior (ventilation is achieved in the same way). The smaller complete the ventilation and lighting on the sides facing the sunrise and sunset.

- d) The organization of living spaces

The house has two floors. The rooms are organized on one common space whose symbols are the glass case and veranda. They permit an upstairs view from the ground floor without decreasing the surface as would normally occur in the case of the classic two story. Neither is there excessive volume, difficult to heat. At the same time there is no reason for the bedrooms and playroom to be out of view of the livingroom and kitchen either.

The spiral of the floors adds to the effect of space and movement. To balance the treatment of the organization of the house, parts of the livingroom and bedrooms are disjointed and have a sunken corner, enabling individual solitude. The intermediate spaces are obtained by arranging the rooms with respect to their thermal needs, relative to the areas more naturally warm or cool. So the garage is on the north end where heat loss is most frequent. The corridors are upstairs. The entrance and bathrooms, more cool and ventilated are at the north-east section. The usually overheated kitchen is on the north-east end protecting the living areas from the cool zones in winter. The veranda is on the south to beat the winter. Its role has the effect of a greenhouse and an intermediate space at night. In summer it can be part of the livingroom.

A livable airspace under the roof, protecting the bedrooms from temperate extremes, can be converted into two additional rooms.

Contributing to the best diffusion of heat throughout the house, is the shifted floor, forming a sort of spiral, forcing the rising air to sweep across the entire volume of the house.

III-THE PRODUCTION OF PASSIVE HEAT

- a) At the south, the veranda is a supplementary place given to the house. It is developed on one and a half of the levels of the house. There are 40 CM of soil in the veranda allowing for humidification as well as plant life. And a good dose of light comes through window.

The veranda has three functions in the winter:

- 1) At night it insulates the house (equivalent to a triple window).
- 2) In the day it transforms light into heat (supplying calorific energy).
- 3) Its ground constitutes an additional thermal mass.

In summer it can remain permanently opened to the livingroom, thus eliminating the greenhouse effect. The windows and doors of the veranda will allow an increased ventilation of the house. Finally, in order to prevent overheating, a pentroof is installed on the inclined window to block off the summer's direct sunlight at noontime. This eliminates the need for permanent use of shutters which are installed on the glass wall.

b) The static captors

There are three in number:

- 1) The veranda, previously explained.
- 2) The thermal wall
 - The living areas on both floors benefit directly from the wall. The bedrooms maintain their temperature by the common rooms (and are placed upstairs where warm air is accumulated).
 - In a central position, it receives sunlight in the winter (in the summer, the sun is in too much of a verticle position to reach the wall so there is never the problem of overheating).

The calorific energy supply is completed by gathering the complimentary heat sources (chimney) or annexes (stove ventilator fan, hot water tank, etc...) into the wall. Finally, the wall is a conductor of calorific energy supplies of the thermal mass between the house and ground. (A chimney in the central junction completes the system)

3) The static captor

It is installed in the optimum slope of the glass wall in front of the greenhouse up to the base of the window. In the summer, it must be insulated from the thermal mass under the house.

IV - The Thermal Masses

They allow stablization of temperatures (with diurnal, nocturnal, daily and seasonal variations). They are created in a classical way by nall the walls and floors and completed by:

- the thermal wall: 19.8 M3
- the static captor: 27.6 M3
- the greenhouse: 03.3 M3
- the thermal mass under the house: 70.00 M3

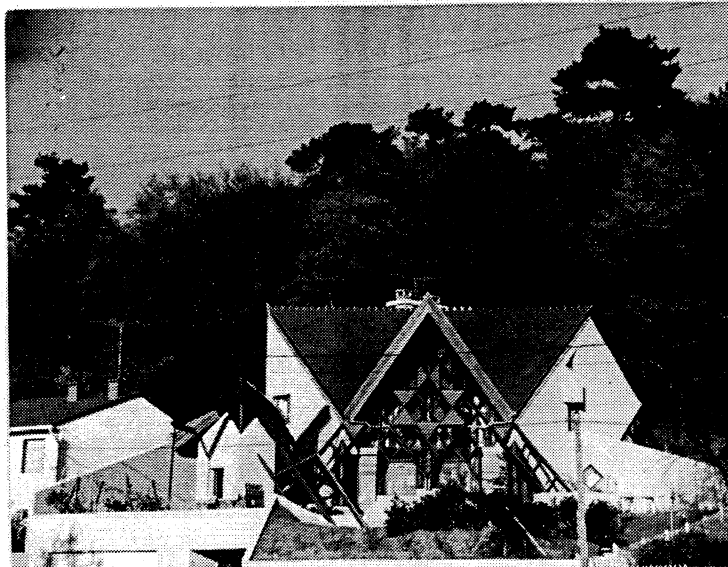
It is a rock mass between the house and ground instead of an empty air space. It benefits from the calorific energy supplies of the static captors in winter, and in summer from the cool and constant temperatures underground (at approximately -2.5 M).

Calorific conduction is realized:

- statically by contact with filling material and with supply surfaces (underground and static captor)
- by air space between rocks
- by the static movement of warm and cool air. The air vents would be installed in the proximity of the captor.
- in winter and at night, the air would be swept along the captor and thermal wall, and thus warmed before reaching the living areas. Stale or foul air would be evacuated through the ceiling (after having risen up the spiraling floors).
- In the summer, the air is cooled from underground when crossing the thermal mass and evacuated by the ceiling.

- It can be substantially improved by installing an air circulation system in the house. In this case, the winter time air should be evacuated by the cool zones of the house: across the greenhouse or the garage (a curtain of air is created) so the heat of the used air is conserved.

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V - The Tract

Of course, no serious study can be made except on a real site. Grouping possibilities are multiple:

- The smaller and larger houses are based on the size of five rooms, with the possibility of modification. They can be troncated or enlarged with excreascences.
- The studied arrangements allow the homes to be placed in alignment on a street or in a "V" shaped alignment, in a star shape with playgrounds and courtyards etc... without limiting the sunlight or its minimum bio-climatic effect.
- The materials utilized can be adapted to the region or the particular tastes of the inhabitants. The system of construction can vary according to the enterprise, since it is on a classic frame in which the walls support or fill in (the frame is 5M x 5M). The roofs are made of slate but can also be made of red tile etc...

a) The framework

- The central pillar and floors are in concrete. The walls are made of parpen. The insulation (9 MM) is on the exterior. The outside walls are in brick.
- The framework is glued lamella or nailed carpentry, with a maximum of 7M between points of support. It is covered with slate.

b) The finishing work

- The bays on the outside are closed by double windows (except along the greenhouse where there are three windows). The venetien blinds on the exterior windows have been taken into consideration.

The joinery of the glass walls are in wood. The rest are in aluminum.

The floors are made of non insulating material.

If you're interested in an Archidyne house of your own, you can write me at 15 Paloma Ave. Venice, Ca. 90291



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American Dreamin'

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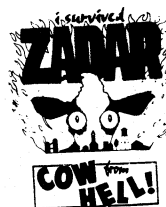
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VAC-VTC MERGER?

Opportunism, Anyone?

By Rex Frankel

I went to the well-attended May 9th Venice Town Council meeting at the Old Venice City Hall building. Counting myself, there were 13 people there. They talked of raising \$3000 to \$5000 to hire a 2nd attorney to help with their Marina Place lawsuit. If the money isn't raised, the lawsuit may die. That is--the VTC's. You see, a twin group called COAST has a near-identical lawsuit to the VTC's against the mall. Several members of the current VTC's board of directors are also on the COAST board of directors. The difference is that COAST meets in private, not in the open like the VTC, and also, like the current VTC, nearly every member of its Board of directors is also on Councilwoman Ruth Galanter's re-election committee. The VTC's lawsuit may soon become an entirely private affair--up to COAST to fight or settle as they wish. Now, maybe that would be good for the VTC. It could return to being a forum for all of Venice rather than just a political football.

Judging from the letters page of the Outlook, Argonaut and L.A. Times, several of the COAST/VTC's leaders are also the most vocal supporters and defenders of the Channel Gateway and Playa Vista developments, next to the developers themselves. Galanter in the Times called the redesigned Playa Vista "a model of environmental and community sensitivity". Its size has changed little, merely the contents rearranged. Two COAST board members, Terry Conner and Paul Doeblar, have been awarded columns in the Argonaut, at times defending Channel Gateway, Playa Vista, and "property rights" in general. The fact that Marina Place is in Culver City, while Playa Vista and Channel Gateway are under L.A. City control, leads local critics to dub COAST the Citizens Organized Against Someone-else's Traffic.

The current Galanter VTC board ran the organization from early 1988 to the summer of 1989, when anti-development and pro-cityhood Venicians with strong ties to the Beachhead became the majority and elected their own board. After a year, a development recession in full bloom, most of the board dropped back to their own organizations, and the Galanter re-election committee again took over the VTC in October of 1990. One of the first changes the new board proposed, courtesy of ex-president Dell Chumley, was to ask the membership to change bylaws to keep much of the new board in office for two years, instead of the current one year rule. The seven members who showed up in the March meeting voted that idea down. Hooray for local heroes!

The Beachhead's falling out with the VTC began in March of 1989. We found ourselves in the middle of a brewing political battle, though just the opposite of what we would have expected. Community politics had been split between the leave-Venice-like-it-is side, represented since 1973 by the Venice Town Council (VTC), and the pursuers of yuppiehood, the realtor-developer dominated Venice Action Committee (VAC), successors to a history of pro-development committees formed by big Venice property owners.

The Beachhead had entered into a joint printing deal with the VTC in November of 1988 to include the VTC Voice as a 4-page pull-out section. (We'd always been sister organizations) The VTC's membership had in September of 1988 re-elected its board of directors (the Galanter faction) and then voted to file a lawsuit to halt the building of the Marina Place shopping mall, located at Lincoln and Washington Blvds., actually in Culver City. While opponents of the VTC leadership, members of VAC, were also nominated by VTC members, none of their names appeared on the ballot, and the Galanter faction again swept the board. The reason given by Barbara Palivos, a board member and now VTC president, was to keep the VAC from taking over the VTC. Actually, virtually any group could "take over" the VTC as membership was only \$15 compared to the VAC's annual dues of \$150.

The VAC, formed in 1986, described their utopian, greened and traffic-less "vision of the future" in a two-page flyer. Venice's poor would be protected, they said, not uprooted in the VAC's planned "improving" of Venice. (VAC's founders own properties on Kinney Blvd. and Main Street.)

"...In the year 2000, a low income family is raising their children in a house which they have rehabilitated under the new low-interest homeowner improvement program which is funded by new commercial development projects in Venice..."

Venice residents "don't need to drive--their shuttle pass takes them everywhere they need to go...The beaches are more beautiful now because the parking and traffic have been removed to satellite locations east of Lincoln Blvd...In the year 2000, a family drives to Venice from central L.A. for a day at the beach. Nearing Venice they tune in to their car radio for parking instructions which tell them which one of 7 satellite beach parking lots is available..."

This "vision" was pure Reaganomics. Basically, they said let developers go crazy, they'll make lots of money and give a fraction of it back in well-publicized token amounts of affordable apartments, \$5 parking spaces and a shuttle bus to move residents around the traffic jams created by the VAC leaders' developments.

Now the irony. In March of 1989, the anti-Marina Place lawsuit was doing well. The City of L.A. at Councilwoman Ruth Galanter's and Mayor Bradley's request had decided to join the suit, providing legal help and paying for expensive paperwork. The big court hearing was in late April.

But, wonder of wonders, the VTC's leaders, Dell Chumley, Arnold Springer and Challis MacPherson brought us a full page ad to appear as part of the April VTC Voice. The ad seemed to urge VTC members to give up and settle the lawsuit with the developer. The amount offered by the developer, \$12 million, was unprecedented. Never before had the life or death of the Venice community been given a dollar value. And strangely, the Town Council's members would have a single, 2-hour meeting to decide yes or no.

The wording of the settlement ad sounded fishy--and the money to pay for it even more so. You see, the VTC board took \$250 from the mall developer, Prudential Insurance Co., to print the ad. The Beachhead staff voted, and refused to print the ad. After several contentious meetings between our two groups, the ad was changed to a simple Yes or No. The VTC board still insisted, and we relented, on printing a so-called "impartial" article discussing the settlement offer, written by Attorney Debra

Bowen and Arnold Springer. But the article contained curious reasoning, which seemed to argue for taking the money, rather than try to win the lawsuit:

"...there could be a significant disadvantage in forcing the project to another site. The ambitious programs envisioned by the settlement offer--housing, neighborhood protection, enhanced coastal access and beautification--may not be realized if the regional shopping mall goes to Villa Marina or the Playa Vista site."

A good question is does Venice need these ambitious programs and do they compensate for the mall's horrific traffic and smog impacts? The truth we learned later was that if the monster mall had moved elsewhere, various VTC board members would not be able to stake their claim on the money.

The \$12 million's proposed use sounded noble enough: \$7 million for traffic "improvements" and \$5 million as an affordable housing trust fund. The problem soon discovered was that these traffic improvements would not erase at all the mall's horrendous traffic, just make it a fraction less horrendous, and they would take away on-street parking for local small businesses. The real traffic "improvement" would be a new beach shuttle service, which would ferry beachgoers from parking lots at public schools east of Lincoln Blvd. thru a mile and a half of traffic jams to the beach. And how the housing fund would be spent was a big question mark.

Does this sound at all familiar to the VAC's version of Venice salvation?

But a few facts had been left out of the picture. Little did much of the VTC's membership know that several VTC board members who had brokered the \$12 million offer also planned to set up their own "non-profit" corporations independent of the VTC membership's control to help spend these developer payoffs. Chumley and Bowen hoped to operate a beach shuttle service, through their newly created Venice Resources Corporation, with Chumley getting a salary from \$25,000 to \$50,000 a year. As it turns out, the Channel Gateway project also set aside \$200,000 to run a beach shuttle service. So far, Chumley's group is the only one seeking to operate such a system. Arnold Springer would soon win a \$450,000 payout from the developer of the Channel Gateway project, which Springer says will be spent on community improvements through his newly-created Ulan Bator Foundation. Springer will also earn \$5000 a year for the privilege of spending developer Jerry Snyder's money.

The VTC's membership agreed that the settlement was not a good deal and voted 68 to 2 to reject the rushed settlement. And contrary to the rejected Springer/Chumley ad, to this day the "long fight" continues, the suit is still alive, waiting for a court date in late 1991, and the developers have not sought to instead build the mall elsewhere in the "immediate area".

The VTC membership the next month rebelled against its Board of directors, approving a policy asking Ruth Galanter for a 1 year hold on new commercial development so the city of L.A. could study the capacity of Venice's streets, water and sewer systems to handle new development. It wasn't an unreasonable request, as next door cities Santa Monica and Culver City are right now doing the same thing.

Galanter and her VTC Board opposed this slow growth measure. In a letter sent to the Outlook by Galanter and printed June 14, 1989, she opposed the 1 year commercial development halt, calling it "illegal", and went on to apparently admit that she supported the \$12 million settlement which the VTC membership rejected. Her letter said Venice activists have mistaken "the VTC's rejection of the Marina Place lawsuit settlement offer for legitimate planning." Galanter inferred that not taking the money and the mall was somehow illegitimate. The truth is that Galanter and her supporters were buttering their bread on both sides, becoming power brokers.

As it turns out, in the list of developer-oriented contributions that Galanter has filed for her re-election campaign, \$500 came from George Mihlstein, the lawyer representing Marina Place.

Reeling from the VTC rejection, a June 1989 Beachhead article by Arnold Springer called "What do we want and how do we get it?" supported the Channel Gateway highrise condo project just down the street from Marina Place. "There are lots of tradeoffs. They look acceptable to me," he wrote. "In the next few years we will have gridlock anyway. And who will provide the monies to provide us aid for the homeless, for beach cleanup, for coastal access, for removing beach traffic from our streets, for providing preferential and replacement parking, for low-income family housing? The City? Don't make me laugh. The State? The federal government? Dream on! The only people who have the money out there are the developers. They are willing to trade. We have no choice but to cut the best deals we can..." he wrote.

And 1 year later, that's exactly what Springer did. By pretending to oppose it at public hearings, Springer achieved the legal standing to threaten to sue L.A. City for OK'ing the project. Fearing any more obstacles to his project, Gateway developer Jerry Snyder awarded Springer \$450,000 to go away. Some of that \$450,000 paid Springer is now flowing to COAST, to help in their own private lawsuit against the Gateway's competitor, Marina Place.

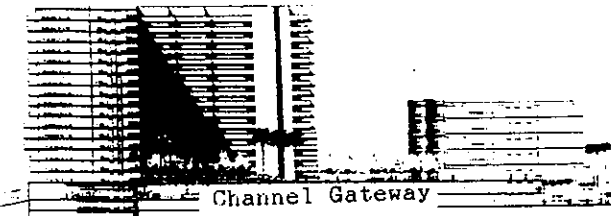
But Springer won't or can't give any money to help the VTC's lawsuit. Why? The VTC and COAST's lawyer Debra Bowen said at the May VTC meeting that there are too many connections already existing between COAST,

the VTC and Springer's Ulan Bator Foundation. The mall developer might charge that identical lawsuits by two groups with the same leaders is an unfair form of legal harassment. If push comes to shove, I suspect the VTC will let themselves get muscled out of the suit completely, making the lawsuit a totally private, Galanter-controlled affair.

So, has the VTC become the VAC? The names are different but the policies are the same: Development as Usual. The fact that Councilwoman Galanter supported Channel Gateway, seems to have supported the Marina Place settlement/sell out, and now also seems to be supporting Playa Vista (see adjoining L.A. Times article) should scare any voter.

Rather than making developments acceptable to Venice, Galanter and the VAC/VTC seek to make Venicians acceptable to development. One of her arguments for OK'ing several tourist traps in North Beach in 1989 was that more tourist traffic makes the area less desirable to live in, therefore, this makes the existing apartments less desirable to Yuppies--therefore, the existing residents are protected from evictions. This sounds like a destroy Venice so "we" can save it strategy. Except only a few select people get to be the "we".

Summing up, we at the Beachhead will continue spending our own hard earned and begged money to keep Venicians informed. The Free Venice Beachhead remains free and un-bought off.



Galanter Letter
Outlook June 14, 1989

Schlein, along with a handful of fellow activists, has mistaken Santa Monica's recently approved "non-moratorium" moratorium and the Venice Town Council's recent rejection of the Marina Place lawsuit settlement offer for legitimate planning.

L.A. TIMES
THURSDAY, MAY 23, 1991 / B4

Maguire Thomas Partners which plans to build a mini-city called Playa Vista between Marina del Rey and the Westchester bluffs, may be freed from up to \$68.3 million in fees it faced under a city transportation law, officials in the Los Angeles city Department of Transportation say.

The builder instead could meet its obligations under the law by building roads itself, designing transit plans to keep drivers off the streets and constructing low-income housing.

But Galanter calls her attempt to provide incentives to encourage low-income housing a pioneering effort that will reduce traffic by bringing workers closer to their jobs. The councilwoman says that many clerical workers and others who will work in Playa Vista's offices cannot now afford housing on the Westside but that subsidized apartments in the project may allow them to live close to their jobs.

Galanter concedes that there "is not a lot of evidence" on how some of her proposals would reduce traffic. "But we know the old approaches don't work" in terms of lessening traffic congestion, she said.

As the largest developer in the area, Maguire Thomas has been expected to contribute heavily to the transportation fund. Under the plan, Playa Vista will include 11,750 residential units, 5 million square feet of offices, 720,000 square feet of retail space, 2,400 hotel rooms and a marina on 670 acres. It will produce about 20,000 automobile trips during a typical peak afternoon commuting hour, transportation officials say.

Since residential construction is not subject to the fees, Maguire Thomas would be liable for 12,000 of those trips, or about \$68.3 million in transportation fees.

But under the revised law headed to the City Council, Maguire Thomas could wipe out its entire \$68.3-million obligation.

Should we settle with Culver City and

Prudential now or dig in for a long fight...

YES--Accept settlement:

Millions of dollars in mitigation and a regional shopping center just east of intersection of Lincoln and Washington

NO--Continue lawsuit:

No millions of dollars in mitigation, continue to oppose project, take chances on regional shopping center elsewhere in immediate area

Vote will determine VENICE TOWN COUNCIL course of action

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