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New Addition to Worst Roads List?



Last weekend's heavy rains, a leaky water pipe and a clogged culvert that caused water to pool on Mountain View Drive eroded and undermined the roadway creating a large sinkhole that may take months to repair permanently. Photo provided

KB Home Condo Project Gets Green Light

By Cathy Tyson

fter endless public testimony and a private meeting with the City of Lafayette's attorney, the KB Home project was approved on a 3-1 vote at last week's City Council meeting that ran late into the night. Council member Don Tatzin was the only dissenter and Brandt Andersson recused himself. It was down to the the gravel parking lot behind Panda late 2008. Express. Council members knew they had to act before a Dec. 6 legal held that ultimately led to the projdeadline spelled out in the Process Agreement that governs this project. The approval is conditional upon a Bradish, addressed the council: "KB complete set of plans that will be reviewed by the council and the Planning Commission, and that both same." bodies can strongly support and ap-

prove. council members asked for addi- October to finally provide the countional simulated views from KB Home from Dewing Avenue and Diablo Foods. They were concerned mented in the first of two city council how prominent the building would be when viewed from different locations in the downtown area. At the current revised height of 55 feet, this new project will be as tall as the adjacent Town Center apartments.

While the history of this particular project stretches back for many

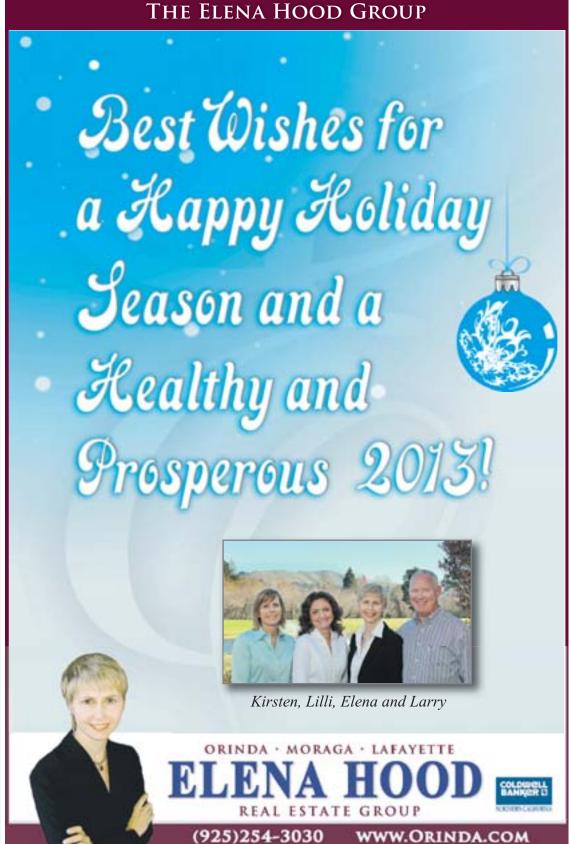
years, the developer was criticized for failing to act when repeatedly cautioned that the Planning Commission and Design Review Committee found the building just too large for the site. KB produced the most recent iteration of the revised project that eliminated the fifth residential floor just two weeks before the deadwire for the proposed condominium line. Prior owner Lafayette Residenproject with four residential stories tial Partners transferred the property over street-level parking slated for known as Town Center III back in

> Two city council meetings were ect's approval. At the last meeting the attorney for the developer, Margo has complied with these agreements, now it's time for the city to do the

Council member Carl Anduri questioned the developer's reason-At a meeting the week before, ing, asking why they waited until cil with revised smaller scale plans?

Architect Jeffrey Heller commeetings on a flyer produced by project opponents that had been circulating through town. "That drawing is a complete fraud," he stated. He pointed out the lowest level of the proposed building was drawn higher than it actually is.

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