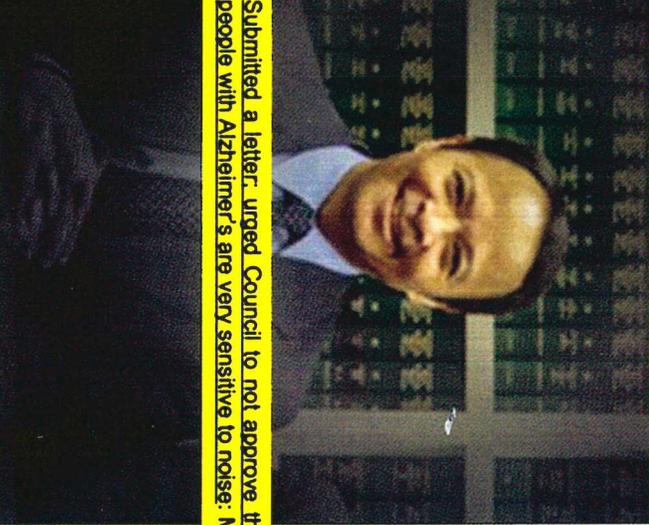


BROCK DE LAPPE  
3272 LIBERTY AVE  
ALAMEDA CA 94501



*Submitted by Brock de Lappe  
at the 12/6/16 meeting  
Re: 9-A*

**Urged Council to deny the Planning Board decision: stated noise is not good for elderly individuals with Alzheimer's or memory problems: noise causes problems in sleep patterns, which is not healthy for elderly with memory problems: Patricia Gannon, Alameda.**



**Submitted a letter, urged Council to not approve the Planning Board decision: stated people with Alzheimer's are very sensitive to noise: Marie Kane, Alameda.**

**Showed maps: stated the use is incompatible with the project site: the decibel level area is not an area to put seniors with health issues: Reylya Graber, Alameda.**

**Recipient Committee Campaign Statement**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE

**5. Officeholder or Candidate Controlled Committee**

NAME OF OFFICEHOLDER OR CANDIDATE  
 Tony Daysog  
 OFFICE SOUGHT OR HELD (INCLUDE LOCATION AND DISTRICT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE)  
 Alameda City Council  
 ADDRESS (NO. AND STREET) CITY STATE ZIP

Statement covers period  
 from September 25, 2016  
 through October 27, 2016

Date of election if applicable:  
 (Month, Day, Year)  
 November 8, 2016

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**6. Primarily Formed Ballot Measure Committee**

NAME OF BALLOT MEASURE  
 JURISDICTION  
 BALLOT NO. OR LETTER  
 Identify the controlling officeholder, candidate, or state measure proponent, if any.  
 SUPPORT  
 OPPOSE

10/26/2016	Marie Kane 94502	Alameda, Ca	<input type="checkbox"/> IND <input type="checkbox"/> SCC	retired	250	
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10/26/2016	Pat Gannon 94502	Alameda, Ca	<input type="checkbox"/> IND <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COM <input type="checkbox"/> OTH <input type="checkbox"/> PTY <input type="checkbox"/> SCC	retired	500.00	500.00
10/26/2016	Reylya Graber Ca 94501	Alameda,	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IND <input type="checkbox"/> COM <input type="checkbox"/> OTH <input type="checkbox"/> PTY <input type="checkbox"/> SCC	retired	800.00	800.00

**"On November 2, 2015, Daysog called a project for review to help Reylya Graber avoid paying project appeal fees that all other residents have to pay"**

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November 30, 2016

Brock de Lappe  
3272 Liberty Avenue  
Alameda, CA 94501  
Via Email: brockdelappe@comcast.net

Re: FPPC Case No. 16/19957; Unidentified Tony Daysog Mailer

Dear Mr. de Lappe:

This letter is to notify you that the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission will investigate the allegation(s), under the jurisdiction of the Commission, of the sworn complaint you submitted in the above-referenced matter. You will next receive notification from us upon final disposition of the case. However, please be advised that at this time we have not made any determination about the validity of the allegation(s) you have made or about the culpability, if any, of the person(s) you identify in your complaint.

Thank you for taking the time to bring this matter to our attention.

Sincerely,

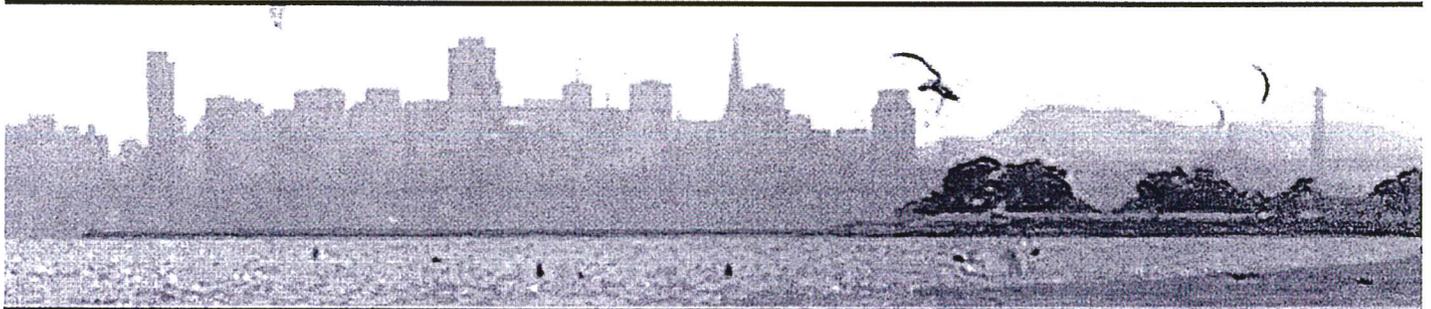
A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Galena West".

Galena West, Chief  
Enforcement Division

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## Alameda Merry-Go-Round

Commentary by Robert Sulkowid



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### Notes on the election

Posted on [November 13, 2016](#)

Excerpt:

#### *Daysog out, Vella in (Part I)*

It wasn't only the unions who were celebrating the victory in the Council race by Teamsters lawyer Malia Vella and her IAFF Local 689 slate-mate, Councilwoman Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft, and the defeat of incumbent Councilman Tony Daysog. A couple of real-estate developers had something to cheer about, too.

As our regular readers will recall, two major residential development projects currently are being proposed for the northern waterfront: Encinal Terminals (589 new housing units) and the Alameda Marina (670 new housing units). The former project is being developed by Sacramento-based Tim Lewis Communities through a limited liability company called North Cove Waterfront, LLC. The latter is being developed by BayWest Development, whose website describes it as a developer of multi-family residential, retail, and office projects in the Bay Area. [According to Alameda Magazine](#), one of the "advisors" for the Alameda Marina project is Oakland-based developer James D. Falaschi.

For this election, the parties interested in the two projects placed their bets with "Alamedans United," the PAC sponsored by the Alameda firefighters' union and the grocery workers' union and initially capitalized by a variety of out-of-town unions. North Cove Waterfront and Mr. Falaschi each gave the new PAC \$5,000. (Subsequently, Hartz Holdings, Inc., a real-estate company located in Danville, dropped another \$10,000 into the till.)

"Alamedans United" in turn spent a total of \$48,445.02 promoting Ms. Vella and Ms. Ashcraft and trashing Mr. Daysog.

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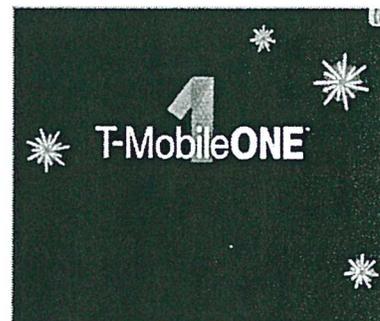
# Americans Agree On One Thing: Citizens United Is Terrible

A clear majority of people would like to see the 2010 ruling overturned.

09/29/2015 09:17 pm ET



Cristian Farnas   
Legal Affairs Reporter, The Huffington Post



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Tuesday marks the 10th anniversary of Chief Justice John Roberts taking the helm of the Supreme Court, and as [academics](#) and [journalists](#) look back on the cases that defined the past decade, none loom larger than the 2010 decision in [Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission](#).

Americans are pretty much of one mind about that ruling. By and large, they despise it.

In a recent [Bloomberg poll](#) of 1,001 adults, Citizens United — which paved the way for the rise of super PACs and other forms of political spending — was viewed unfavorably by 78 percent of respondents, who said the decision was so bad it should be overturned.

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A legal scholar was beside himself over the findings.

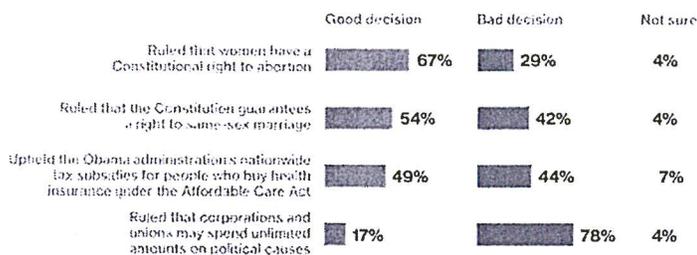
"Wow. Wow. I'm stunned," University of Chicago law Professor David Strauss [told Bloomberg](#). "What it suggests is that Citizens United has become a symbol for what people perceive to be a much larger problem, which is the undue influence of wealth in politics."

Pollsters asked participants what they thought about a number of controversial decisions by the Supreme Court, including recent rulings on same-sex marriage and Obamacare. On those cases, Americans were more divided.

But on the issue of outsize political spending by corporations and unions, a clear consensus emerged:

### Americans' View of Supreme Court

Do you think the following Supreme Court rulings were good decisions or should be overturned?



Program on American Democracy, MIT DASH, Spring 2016. MIT DASH, Center for Communications Programs, MIT. [http://dash.mit.edu/cpr](#)

Curiously, the Bloomberg poll did not identify these cases by name, but by a description of what, broadly, each one decided. Even so, most respondents looked unfavorably on the money-in-politics ruling, with 80 percent of Republicans and 83 percent of Democrats opposing it, according to poll figures.

A professor at Ohio State suggested that a more charitable characterization of Citizens United — perhaps one that framed the case as being about free speech — might have yielded different results.

"It would be interesting to see what the breakdown of opinion would be if a question described the court as ruling that individuals and organizations have a First Amendment right to spend money on campaigns as they see fit," political scientist Lawrence Baum [told Bloomberg](#). "There might be considerably more support for the decision."

But in a [different part of the poll](#) that asked respondents where they stood on certain campaign issues, 87 percent said they agreed that campaign finance rules should be reformed so the rich don't out-influence the poor.

That may not be so easy: Citizens United established a new constitutional interpretation of the First Amendment, and thus it can only be undone by a

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constitutional amendment or a new decision that overrules it. Either possibility is a long shot.

Still, the justices themselves are not unaware that Citizens United remains unpopular.

In January, on the fifth anniversary of the Citizens United ruling, a group of protesters smuggled a camera into the main Supreme Court chamber and [railed against the decision](#). The disrupters were escorted out by court police and charged with federal offenses, but a video of the protest [ended up on YouTube](#).

According to veteran Supreme Court reporter Lyle Denniston, Chief Justice Roberts [was heard muttering](#) "Oh, please" during the disruption.

Roberts, for his part, may not actually be fully committed to the money-as-speech principle of Citizens United.

In an April ruling dealing with judicial campaign solicitations, Roberts stunned observers when he [joined the liberal wing of the court](#) to rule that the First Amendment doesn't protect judicial candidates asking for money.

Judges, Roberts said, are different.

"Judges are not politicians, even when they come to the bench by way of the ballot," he wrote in the 5-4 decision. "And a State's decision to elect its judiciary does not compel it to treat judicial candidates like campaigners for political office."

He continued, "A State may assure its people that judges will apply the law without fear or favor — and without having personally asked anyone for money."

Maybe in his second decade on the court, Roberts will get a chance to [chip away at Citizens United](#), if not overrule it once and for all.

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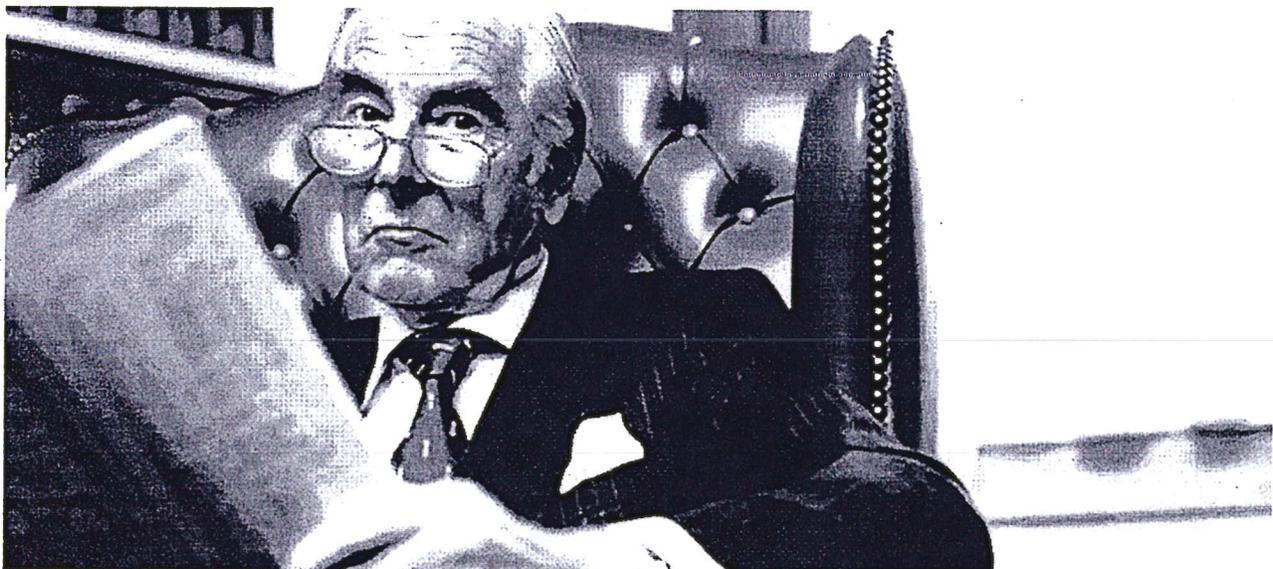
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The US is dominated by a rich and powerful elite.

So concludes a **recent study** by Princeton University Prof Martin Gilens and Northwestern University Prof Benjamin I Page.

This is not news, you say.

Perhaps, but the two professors have conducted exhaustive research to try to present data-driven support for this conclusion. Here's how they explain it:

*Multivariate analysis indicates that economic elites and organised groups representing business interests have substantial independent impacts on US government policy, while average citizens and mass-based interest groups have little or no independent influence.*

In English: the wealthy few move policy, while the average American has little power.

The two professors came to this conclusion after reviewing answers to 1,779 survey questions asked between 1981 and 2002 on public policy issues. They broke the responses down by income level, and then determined how often certain income levels and organised interest groups saw their policy preferences enacted.

"A proposed policy change with low support among economically elite Americans (one-out-of-five in favour) is adopted only about 18% of the time," they write, "while a proposed change with high

support (four-out-of-five in favour) is adopted about 45% of the time."

On the other hand:

*When a majority of citizens disagrees with economic elites and/or with organised interests, they generally lose. Moreover, because of the strong status quo bias built into the US political system, even when fairly large majorities of Americans favour policy change, they generally do not get it.*

They conclude:

*Americans do enjoy many features central to democratic governance, such as regular elections, freedom of speech and association and a widespread (if still contested) franchise. But we believe that if policymaking is dominated by powerful business organisations and a small number of affluent Americans, then America's claims to being a democratic society are seriously threatened.*

Eric Zuess, **writing** in Counterpunch, isn't surprised by the survey's results.

"American democracy is a sham, no matter how much it's pumped by the oligarchs who run the country (and who control the nation's "news" media)," he writes. "The US, in other words, is basically similar to Russia or most other dubious 'electoral' 'democratic' countries. We weren't formerly, but we clearly are now."

This is the "Duh Report", **says** Death and Taxes magazine's Robyn Pennacchia. Maybe, she writes, Americans should just accept their fate.

"Perhaps we ought to suck it up, admit we have a classist society and do like England where we have a House of Lords and a House of Commoners," she writes, "instead of pretending as though we all have some kind of equal opportunity here."