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los-Kounalakis called Kolokotronis to ask him to come over to her side.

Kolokotronis, like his candidate, refused to commit. "I have a lot of friends that are involved in the (Barack) Obama campaign as well," he said. "We'll think a little bit. We'll try to hear a little more of what they have to say."

The local Obama camp includes developer Mark Friedman, whose family owns Arden Fair mall, and who has made a name for himself by building lofts, offices and restaurants in midtown.

In August, he held a fundraiser at the old auto dealership at 16th and J streets that he and a group of partners converted into a com-

MARK FRIEDMAN

The developer whose family owns Arden Fair supports Barack Obama and says he gets unsolicited offers of help.

homeowner who is in charge of the local fundraising effort, said Romney canceled due to scheduling conflicts that included attendance at the funeral of Gordon B. Hinckley, the president and prophet of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, who died Sunday at the age of 97.

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José Luis Villegas/jvillegas@sacbee.com

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U.S. Navy Announces Alternative Arrangements for Implementing the National Environmental Policy Act and Requests Public Input

On January 15, 2008, the Department of the Navy accepted alternative arrangements, approved by the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). These alternative arrangements specifically address the use of mid-frequency active (MFA) sonar and its effects on marine mammals during Navy exercises in the Southern California (SOCAL) Operating Area. These exercises include Composite Training Unit Exercises (COMPTUEXs) and Joint Task Force Exercises (JTFEXs) scheduled to occur between January 15, 2008 and January 23, 2009. A Decision Memorandum documenting the Navy's acceptance of these alternative arrangements was published in the Federal Register on January 24, 2008.

Information on the Navy's proposals for the SOCAL Operating Area including the full text of the Decision Memorandum is available at **www.SOCALRangeComplexEIS.com**.

The Navy will prepare a post-exercise assessment after each exercise. By this Notice, the Navy requests input from the public on the process for reviewing the post-exercise assessments. The Navy is also offering the public the opportunity to discuss the implementation of these alternative arrangements. Input on reviewing the post-exercise assessments and any requests to meet with Navy and CEQ representatives about the alternative arrangements may be submitted by contacting Mr. Alex Stone at (619) 545-8128 or in writing to:

Naval Air Station North Island
Attn: Alex Stone, CPF Environmental
McCain Boulevard, Building 678, Room 218
San Diego, CA 92135

For more information about the Navy's Decision Memorandum, visit www.SOCALRangeComplexEIS.com