

EDC supervisor's race focuses on housing growth

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A race for El Dorado County supervisor that's heavily focused on development has gotten testy, with both candidates lobbing accusations.

The opponent of Assemblywoman Beth Gaines, R-El Dorado Hills – who is running for supervisor as her term in the Legislature expires – is questioning her motives for seeking the office and her support by special interests, including developers.

Gaines, in turn, is painting longtime fire district board member John Hidahl as a fiscally irresponsible Democrat in a conservative county. Hidahl, a retired aerospace engineer, has served on the El Dorado Hills fire district board for 33 years.

Gaines and Hidahl are competing to replace Supervisor Ron Mikulaco in District 1, which represents El Dorado Hills.

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