

Annexation - 15-69

Live Oak To Speak Out In 41st Avenue Hassle

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Facing attack from two cities on a 41st Avenue annexation battle, Live Oak will soon have to decide whether to fight or switch.

A major meeting of Live Oak residents is now planned at Del Mar Elementary School January 30, called by the Live Oak Improvement Association.

At issue is whether parts of Live Oak should eventually annex to Capitola or Santa Cruz.

Both cities are seeking control of the tax-rich 41st Avenue

area, which is now seen as a future commercial hub rivaling downtown business districts.

A third alternative to annexation or trying to remain in the county will be discussed at the Live Oak meeting, according to its chief organizer.

"We also want to see if Live Oak should incorporate and become a city," Ivan Netoff of the improvement association said today.

Netoff said representatives from both cities will be invited to the meetings, as well as county representatives and persons who "can speak on incorporation."

A hearing of the Local Agency Formation Commission, which controls annexations and incorporations, is set on the Live Oak issue February 19.

LAFC Executive Officer Ed Hanna said yesterday the session will not be a public hearing on protests against annexation. He said only Santa Cruz and Capitola representatives will be heard.

"Representatives of the Live Oak area will be invited to appear before the commission at a future meeting," Hanna said.

He also tried to quiet fears of some residents that action by the LAFC will mean quick annexation of parts of the area.

"No matter what LAFC decides," Hanna declared, "its only action will be to approve a long-range plan of where a common boundary ought to be" between the two cities.

State law requires an election for annexation if there are more than 11 registered voters in any particular area, Hanna pointed out. "And," he added, "the people will need to petition for annexation before the matter can get to election."

Santa Cruz is expected to woo prospective annexations with better water and sewer services, as well as other city services. Capitola, too, is expected to offer advantages, particularly to businesses along 41st Avenue. Capitola already has annexed parts of the area, and has jumped 41st Avenue into Live Oak in some places.

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Weather

Temperatures for the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today: Maximum 60, minimum 33.

Monterey Bay Area — Fair through tomorrow. Little temperature change. Highs in the upper 50s. Lows tonight in the 30s. Gentle wind.

Tides

JANUARY TIDES

	HIGH		LOW	
	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH
16	01:44	3.2	07:47	6.3
	15:26	-1.7	22:33	4.2
17	02:44	3.1	08:41	6.3
	16:14	-1.8	23:05	4.5
18	03:37	2.9	09:35	6.3
	16:56	-1.7	23:47	4.6
19	04:38	2.7	10:29	6.0
	17:38	-1.4		
	HIGH		LOW	
20	00:29	4.8	05:32	2.5
	11:23	5.6	18:20	-0.9
21	01:05	4.9	06:38	2.3
	12:17	5.0	19:01	-0.2
22	01:41	5.0	07:38	2.0
	13:17	4.3	19:38	0.5