Business tax on SV Council's agenda

SCOTTS VALLEY — Proposed new business taxes — a subject very near, but not very dear to the hearts of the business community — will again be a topic of discussion Wednesday when the City Council preets at City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

City Administrator Bob Rockett reported today negotiations have been completed with the financial consulting firm of Ralph Andersen and Associates of Sacramento for a financial analysis of city operations.

However, Rockett said the city has yet to receive the money to pay the Andersen firm for its services. Representatives from industry, including the Seagate Technology, Victor Technology and Interdesign Inc. electronics firms, have said they will pay for the city to hire a consulting firm to straighten out the city's financial mess. The Watkins-Johnson Co. electronics firm has also shown an interest in picking up some of the tab.

In other business, the Gouncil will review a proposed

"urgency" ordinance to solve parking problems caused by large companies not having enough parking spaces for their employees, forcing the employees to park elsewhere in the city.

Under the proposed ordinance, large companies would need one parking space per 100 square feet of development.

In other matters the Council will:

- Hear a report from Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments planner, Warren Freeman, on the state of the city General Plan. The Association has just approved a contract with the City for Freeman to help the city review its General Plan. The Plan is illegal in its current state, but so are other General Plans throughout California.
- Hear a report from Mayor Rey Retzlaff about conflict between the city Park Committee and the Scotts Valley Days Steering Committee.