

Street Link, 2 Tax Plans Before Council Tonight

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SANTA CRUZ—The controversial Vine-Cedar street connection project and two tax measures are up for decision today before the Santa Cruz City Council.

One of the tax proposals calls for a 2-cent tax on every package of cigarettes sold in the city. It would raise about \$70,000 a year for the city.

The other measure calls for levying a 4 per cent amusement tax. The council has approved an ordinance establishing the tax but tonight are scheduled to take a "new look" at the proposal.

Councilmen have indicated they may replace the amusement tax with a tax on parking in the beach area. At least one

councilman, however, has said he thinks both an amusement tax and parking tax are needed.

The council is scheduled to act on a report of a committee appointed to study the \$600,000 Vine-Cedar street project. The committee recommends that the city contribute about \$300,000 toward the project.

The project calls for extending Vine street to connect with Cedar street, thus giving the city a thoroughfare parallel to Pacific avenue, the city's main street.

A proposed ordinance establishing a two-cent cigarette tax has been prepared for the council's consideration. The council requested that such an ordinance be prepared.