

Live Oak Unit Files For Incorporation

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Incorporation papers for a new city in the Live Oak area have been filed with the Local Agency Formation Commission, L AFC Executive Officer Ed Hanna confirmed Wednesday.

The papers were filed by D. J. Mauro of the Live Oak Citizens Aligned for Local Government (LOCAL-G), and signed by Wallis B. Kaufmann and Barbara J. White as well.

Though the L AFC met Wednesday, Hanna said the application will not be presented to the agency until its meeting next month. L AFC has the power to approve or kill the cityhood application for a year.

The filing itself was a challenge to another Live Oak group, the Live Oak Improvement Association, which has apparently given up the local incorporation idea in favor of joining a Mid-County city.

Ivan Netoff, an association director and head of a Mid-County incorporation committee, declared Monday night it would be "folly" for Live Oak to incorporate by itself because it could not afford it.

But the papers filed by LOCAL-G indicate Live Oak could make a go of it without even levying any taxes for some time.

The total city budget would be \$511,945, including a \$47,600 reserve fund.

Income figures were taken from the state Board of Equalization, which dispenses various tax funds and subventions to cities and counties, and from a UCSC report on Mid-County incorporation.

The budget summary shows \$69,775 for administration, \$102,650 for police protection, \$83,390 for street maintenance, \$133,000 for street construction, \$7200 for engineering, \$17,390 for planning, \$22,330 for a building department, \$10,000 for parks, and \$18,610 for animal control. "These figures were taken

from state calculations for 1968, and don't even include the projected sales taxes from the 41st Avenue area," Mrs. White said before the papers were filed.

On revenues, the new city would get \$114,974 from sales and use taxes, \$4,709 from liquor license fees, \$124,257 from automobile licenses, \$71,736 from gasoline taxes, plus \$85,869 from the Collier-Unruh gas tax fund, \$45,600 from cigarette taxes, and \$4,000 from the state's engineering allotment.

This totals \$451,145. The rest of the budget would include \$17,500 in local franchise taxes, \$26,000 from licenses and permits, and \$17,300 from fines, adding another \$60,800 to make \$511,945.

Mrs. White charged today that the county has made it difficult to obtain proper figures, and has said some of the costs, such as animal control, appear outrageously high when compared to actual costs to such cities as Scotts Valley.

She also said L AFC's guidelines for incorporation of new cities, as proposed by Hanna,

seem to be aimed directly at stopping Live Oak incorporation. "We must have really scared them," she said. "We'll see if they can get away with it."

Even if L AFC approves the incorporation proposal, the group must go through a lengthy process before an incorporation election can be held, Hanna has said. The permission of county supervisors must be obtained to circulate cityhood petitions and 25 per cent of registered voters must sign them.

A sidelight to the cityhood filing is the search for a new name for the area. Live Oak cannot be used, since there is already a Live Oak city in Sutter County. LOCAL-G seems to favor the name, "Vera Cruz," but some other names suggested in a LOCAL-G contest include Sea Chimes, Chanticleer, Los Encinos (Live Oak in Spanish), Sunnybrae, Cabrillo, Merri-Oaks, Oakmont, Oak Park, North Bay, Gardenside, Park-

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Weather

MONTEREY BAY AREA—Fair through Friday. Little warmer days. Highs Friday in the mid 60s. Lows tonight in the upper 30s and low 40s. Light winds.

Temperatures for 24 hours ending at 8 a.m. today: High 58, low 38.

Tides

FEBRUARY 1970
PACIFIC STANDARD TIME

	LOW		HIGH	
19	02:50	2.8	08:47	5.2
	15:50	-0.4	22:35	4.2
20	03:26	2.5	09:23	5.1
	16:20	-0.2	22:59	4.3
21	04:08	2.3	10:05	4.9
	16:44	0.0	23:23	4.4
22	04:44	2.0	10:41	4.7
	17:08	0.4	23:41	4.4
23	05:20	1.7	11:23	4.4
	17:32	0.8		
	HIGH		LOW	
24	00:05	4.5	06:02	1.4
	12:05	4.0	18:02	1.3
25	00:23	4.6	06:56	1.1
	12:59	3.6	18:32	1.8