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Parking tops council agenda

CAPITOLA — Everything from revenue sharing funds to a permit parking program and Pacific Cove Mobile Home Park is scheduled to be discussed on a varied agenda of the Capitola City Council Thursday night.

Public hearings are scheduled on the city's proposed \$6.7 million 1984-85 budget and also a proposed permit parking program for the Depot Hill neighborhood.

The budget hearing is regarded as the last chance by representatives of community groups hoping to get a piece of the city's federal revenue sharing funds. At a previous budget study session, council members tentatively agreed to allocate \$41,956 to seven local organizations.

Most notable among those expected not to be funded is the Santa Cruz County Convention and Visitors Bureau. For the third year in a row, the council decided against any funding. They have maintained the city is already inundated with visitors and there is no need to seek any more.

The permit parking program is proposed to be expanded into Depot Hill by next month. The program will prohibit public parking on streets there. Only residents (or those with special visitor permits) would be allowed to park on

streets between the hours of 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., seven days a week.

The program is designed to prevent visitors from flooding residential areas close to Capitola Village once onstreet pay parking begins in mid-summer. The Depot Hill area is expected to be the first neighborhood to be involved in the expanded program, which currently takes in only downtown residential neighborhoods.

There are several items on the agenda pertaining to Pacific Cove Mobile Home Park. The city is in the process of buying the park, with plans to partially convert it to a parking lot to help alleviate the downtown parking crunch.

Items include proposed purchase agreements for mobile homes in the park, as well as a proposal to hire a planning and environmental consultant to prepare an initial study on conversion of part of the park to parking.

The council will also discuss revisions in the proposed ordinance that would prevent mobile home parks in the city from converting to other uses.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. Thursday in the council chamber at City Hall.