

# Town Clock Misses Plaza Park Finals

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Five fountain designs for a proposed plaza at the head of Pacific avenue have been selected as finalists by a SCOPE (Santa Cruz Organization for Progress and Euthenics) judging committee.

Chairman Bud Prindle said the five suggested plans are among 24 submitted. The park area is to be on the spot now occupied by a Union Oil service station.

Finalists are John W. Hornback, 117 Wesley street, Capitola; William Norris, 224 Trecony street; Virgil W. Chamberlin, 546 Cathedral drive, Aptos; Ed Wood, 209 Stanford avenue; and John Farley, 2-3777 East Cliff drive.

Not among finalists was a proposal to include the old town clock in the plaza, since

the judging committee felt the clock would be better displayed at another location. Prindle said it was felt the clock would not conform with the scale of the proposed plaza, because it would have to tower too far above the land.

The winner, said Prindle, will be selected at a meeting of the judging committee Wednesday.

The selected plan will win for the designer a \$100-prize, while the concept will be submitted by SCOPE for city council approval.

The service station is being torn down to make way for the widening of Water street. Existing land is considered too small for commercial development and the city has agreed to let SCOPE develop a park or plaza area at its own expense. The city will maintain the area.