

City-County Officials Discuss DeLaveaga Park Plans—And Obstacles

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Any number of dire things could happen — but probably won't — to DeLaveaga park, city and county officials told each other last night. Supervisors and councilmen in joint session discussed city plans for park improvement and obstacles to the plans.

The park, owned jointly by city and county, is administered and maintained by the city to the tune of \$25,000 a year, Mayor Norman Lezin said. But most of the park's users come from outside the city, and many from outside the county, he said.

The city would like to develop its master plan for the park, the mayor said, but not under present circumstances. A major part of the plan is development of a golf course. Private capital

backing the course won't be available unless the city can get clear title to the park, Lezin said.

Rather than continue to pour money into the park to no purpose, Lezin said, the city might have to let the park deteriorate or charge admission to all non-city users. Present fees in the park pay only a tenth of the annual cost, parks director Carl Bengston said.

Supervisor Lewis Nelson made a counter-offer to give the city clear title to the park. In exchange for the county deeding its share of the park, Nelson suggested the city give the county a 20 to 30-acre piece of the park "for any use it wants."

Supervisor Robert Burton saw the specifics behind the general offer, and warned that citizens are strongly opposed to putting a juvenile hall in the park.

Supervisors have sought for several months to get a juvenile hall site in DeLaveaga, but the city council has passed a resolution declaring that the park should be entirely reserved for park and recreation purposes.

Both bodies agreed to study the park proposition further by means of continuing committees.

Central Supply Purchase SCA's Coral Street Yard

Negotiations between Central Supply company and Santa Cruz Aggregates are being completed for sale of SCA's Coral street operation, which supplies building materials and transit-mix con-