

# Marineland Exclusion Sought in Annexation to Palos Verdes Estates

**PALOS VERDES PENINSULA**—Exclusion from the Palos Verdes Estates annexation area will be sought by Marineland of the Pacific, according to William F. Monahan, general manager of the establishment.

The 85 acres of ocean front land occupied by Marineland is located within a 2.92-square-mile area of unincorporated territory which the city of Palos Verdes Estates plans to annex.

The annexation request will be heard before the Local Agency Formation Commission at 9 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, at the Hall of Administration, 500 W. Temple St., Los Angeles.

Monahan indicated Marineland would have a representative at the hearing to file an exclusion request.

"Our position is this," he declared. "We are very happy in the county. We are happy with the services the

county provides. The police and fire protection is very good. I'm certain it would cost Palos Verdes Estates a considerable sum of money to duplicate it.

"As a consequence we plan to request exclusion from the annexation area because it would seem to be in the best interests of all concerned.

## Golf Course

"Furthermore, we don't think it is fair to have Marineland, through increased taxes, support the city of Palos Verdes Estates.

Also situated within the boundaries of the annexation area is Marymount College and the new Los Verdes Golf Course.

Mayor H.F.B. Roessler declared Palos Verdes Estates has no interest in assuming operation of the golf course.

"The new golf course," he declared, "would remain under county jurisdiction. It

merely would lie within the boundaries of the city. The city possibly would derive benefits from sales taxes at the course."

The annexation area has a population of 1,780, including the residents of the Marine Terrace, Palos Verdes Estates West, Monaco and Monte Verdes subdivisions.

Boundaries are the southerly city limits of Palos Verdes Estates on the north, an extension of High Ridge Road on the east and the Pacific Ocean on the south and west.

The annexation move was initiated by Palos Verdes Estates in order to broaden its tax base. It marks the largest expansion gesture since the city was incorporated in 1939. The annexation would increase the city's area by approximately 60%.

Land in the area was assessed at \$5 million and improvements at \$4 million.