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Restaurant For Port?

A seafood restaurant and cocktail lounge may be built at the Port of Anchorage if the developers, the port commission and the City Council can get together on the plans.

At its meeting last month, the port commission turned down a request which would have cleared the way for a restaurant and building complex at the port.

The commission was unanimous in its decision to deny developers Jack Cole and Donald D. Emmal permission to proceed with plans for a new building on Lots 5C and 5B in the Port Industrial Park.

But Cole and Emmal, represented by attorney Dick McVeigh, appeared at the City Council this week to ask again for a waiver of their lease to permit construction of the planned warehouse, office building, restaurant-cocktail lounge complex.

The city owns the port lots and restricts their use to "sale, storage, handling and distribution... of all products in the lessee's business." The restaurant-cocktail lounge and the commercial office building space would proabably not conform to the "use of premises" clause of their lease.

The port commission rejected the Cole and Emmal plan largely because of the builders' bid for a second lot. The plan described to the City, Council by Mc Veigh did not include use of a second lot.

"We would continue to occupy the present lot (5C) and also construct a building complex with offices, warehouse, and a dining facility on the single four-acre lot," McVeigh said.

The planned building, according to Cole, would be about 4,000 square feet per floor. The first floor seafood restaurant would seat up to 150 persons, he said.

The council referred the matter back to the port commission, which will advise the city on the builders' new plans for the single lot facility.



The Port Of Anchorage, Its Huge Cranes Unload ing Cargo, On The City's Waterfront.







CONVENTIONEERS ARRIVE IN CITY ABOARD STATE FERRY

Some 200 delegates and guests to the Pacific Logging Congress which opened today at the Anchorage-Westward Hotel arrived en masse Tuesday aboard the 384-passenger state ferry Wickersham. The Ft. Richardson Army Band was on the Port of Anchorage dock, center photo,

to welcome the ferry passengers who then had a rainy walk to a bus, left photo, which took them to the hotel. First, however, the ferry arrivals had to be checked by a U.S. Customs official, right photo, since their journey started from a Canadian port. While the convention will wind up

Friday, the trip south aboard the ferry won't begin until Sunday to give the conventioneers a little more time to look over the area. Or perhaps more time for Anchorage to look over those involved in the logging industry which for Alaska is centered in Southeastern.