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## The bottom line on Glen Cove

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As a resident of Glen Cove Landing, I am totally opposed to the City of Vallejo's proposed park on a Native-American burial ground and historical site. Sarcastically, a better location for a new park would be on the site of St. Vincent's Catholic Cemetery. St. Vincent's Cemetery is run down and visually unappealing, with weeds and dead trees. The City of Vallejo could bulldoze that site, plant grass, and have a wonderful area for soccer and baseball fields -- and yes, a bathroom.

Every intelligent person also knows that it costs money to maintain parks. The City of Vallejo and GVRD have several park areas around town that could use a little better maintenance -- why not spend the money there? However, if the city has extra money, I bet most Vallejoans would prefer it be spent on the police department.

The maintenance of a the park at Glen Cove would require a new and continual source of funding. Sure, let's create a parcel tax on properties -- properties that have lost two-thirds of their value in the last four years. That will really increase property values, won't it? Oh, and by the way, just in case Vallejo politicians didn't know, most people are not much in favor of new taxes considering the city's current fiscal situation and the ways in which politicians have spent our tax dollars in the past.

The bottom line is: The area of the proposed park in Glen Cove is sacred to many, and historical to us all. It should be left in its natural state.

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