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District omits key detail on Tomlinson deal

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A bouquet – the Killing the Chicken award – to the Del Mar Union School District's resurgent board for ending the terrible game of chicken that for more than a year has divided the interests of the school district from the city of Del Mar's.

Both sides walked halfway to reach an \$8.5 million price for the 5-acre parcel called the Shores property.

Two lawsuits will be dropped as the city of Del Mar, the Winston School and the steadfast Friends of Del Mar Parks will bundle the money to preserve the school campus as well as public playing fields.

This was a classic case of too many lawyers and too few gray heads. Fortunately, the bleeding stopped.

A fair price, based on appraisals under current zoning, was worked out, saving both sides from a further flood of billable hours.

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