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Oakland Raiders to Los Angeles Looking Increasingly Likely

The Battle for Los Angeles

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USPA NEWS - It has been 20 years since the city of Los Angeles fielded a NFL team, but all the talks seems to be pointing in the direction of a team or teams moving to that city in time for the start of the 2015 season. Which team(s) it might be? Now that's a completely different question.

The current plan is that the NFL will send one or two teams back to Los Angeles within the next 12 to 24 months. The Oakland Raiders owner Mark Davis has reportedly made inquiries about the possibility of moving to Los Angeles if his franchise cannot get a new stadium deal done in Oakland. The Raiders will see their stadium lease run out following the end of their seasons. In addition to this, Raiders owner Mark Davis has had multiple meetings with power brokers in both Los Angeles and San Antonio in recent months

Although the San Diego Chargers could present a potential roadblock for owners looking to move to Los Angeles. Because any relocation vote would require three-quarters of the owners to approve the team moving to a different city and allowing another team to move into those markets would be economically harmful to the Chargers.

Meanwhile ...

It has been 20 years since the city of Los Angeles fielded a NFL team, but all the talks seems to be pointing in the direction of a team or teams moving to that city in time for the start of the 2015 season. With the deadline for teams to file relocation paperwork looming in February, and both the Rams and Raiders very interested in playing in Los Angeles in 2015 there could be a plan in place for two of the teams, most likely the Rams and Raiders, to work together on a move to Los Angeles.

I would be shocked if at least one team didn't move to Los Angeles in either 2015 or 2016. Which team(s) it might be? Now that's a completely different question.

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