

Council Favors Recreation Fund

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was mainly participated in by Brown, Carroll, Alderman C. J. Williams and Mrs. Noel Rigby, local recreation director, Mayor H. E. Biddinger granted a request for a recess for an executive session of the council.

The council reconvened to adopt the report submitted by its recreation program committee. The report stated the committee was "in favor of an adequate recreation program for the city and recommended that such a program be adopted. That in order to establish such a program an emergency budget of \$3,500 be proposed and steps taken to set up such a budget."

The group represented by Brown had tentatively proposed a budget of \$5,000 to finance a city recreation program for the next four months, or until the start of the next fiscal year.

Under the proposed recreation program, outlined at Tuesday night's council session, budget funds would be used to employ a professionally-trained recreation leader to direct a permanent, planned year-around program for Billings youths. It is proposed that a city recreation commission be appointed to supervise expenditure of funds allotted the project.

Brown reported at the meeting that the board of trustees of school district 2 had been presented with the recreation plan and requested to aid in its financing, but could not allot funds for the project during the current fiscal year.

The recreation group representative presented to the council Tuesday night additional petitions which he said were signed by from 4,000 to 5,000 citizens who were interested in instituting a municipal recreation program.

Applications of two local hotels, a motor sales concern and two florists for reserved parking space were granted at the council session.

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