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Council Backs Tax Plan

Voting 8-1, the City Council
decided Tuesday night to en-
dorse a proposed state con-
stitutional amendment which
would make homes and
buildings exempt from property
taxes.

The council resolution, in-
troduced by Vice Mayor Robert
Matsui, was opposed by
Councilman Blaine Fisher.

The amendment, introduced
last January by state Sen.
Albert Rodda, D-Sacramento,
proposes the elimination of
property taxes on all buildings
and improvements in favor of
increased taxation on land.

Seminar On Rapist

An officer from the
Sacramento Sheriff's Depart-
ment will discuss how to guard
against attacks by the East Area
rapist and other assailants at a
7:30 p.m. meeting Tuesday in
the cafeteria at Mira Loma High
School, 4000 Edison Ave.

The school is in the area where
the rapist most recently struck.

The meeting is sponsored by
Mission Oaks Park and
Recreation District, Mira Loma
Community Service Area and
Winston Churchill Junior High
School Parents.

6 Free Parking Days

Legal holidays for on-street
parking in Sacramento — days
when you don't have to plug
coins into the meters — are New
Year's Day, Memorial Day,
Independence Day, Labor Day,

that Brawley farmer Robert H.
Meyer has resigned.

Meyer was an assistant secretary
for marketing who left last week amid
charges that he used his official
position to lobby against changes in
federal reclamation law.

While California traditionally has
had at least one representative in the
upper echelons of the department,
that policy is likely to change, ac-
cording to an aide to Secretary Bob
Bergland, though not necessarily
because of Meyer's difficulties.

"California does lay claim to that
(post) but we don't buy it," said
Bergland's press aide, Tom Sand.

The leading candidate to replace
Meyer is said to be P. R. "Bobby"
Smith, of Winder, Ga., currently a
special assistant to Bergland, who has
been a top farm adviser to President
Carter.

"The basis for the appointment is
going to be conservative rather than
geographical," said Sand, dampening
any thought that another Californian
might take Meyer's place. "It's going
to be someone who can get along
with and have a working relationship
with the (agricultural) industry."

Previous Californians who served
in high level posts in the Nixon-Ford
administrations were Richard Lyng
of Modesto who was an assistant
secretary and Kenneth E. Frick of
Bakersfield, head of the Agricultural
Stabilization and Conservation Ser-
vice.

Orangevale Youth Slain; 3 Arrested

Authorities in Arapahoe County in Colo-
rado have arrested three young men in connection
with what officers called the revenge slaying of D.
Michael Raley, 19, a former Orangevale resident.

Sgt. Donald Klein of the Arapahoe sher-
iff's office said Raley, whose body was found Sunday
along a rural road east of Aurora in the Denver
area, had apparently been strangled. He was
nude and, according to officers, had been dead
about three weeks.

Arrested Sunday night in Aurora were Mic-
hael McCarthy, 19, Michael McCall, 18, and a 16-y-
ear-old youth, all from Aurora.