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Helper council can't decide on planning firm

HELPER — The city council failed once more Thursday night to make up its collective mind on which firm will do planning and engineering work for a low- and moderate-income housing development on the east side of town near the city cemetery.

The choice is between The Land Group, Salt Lake City, and Despain and Despain Associates. At the regular city council meeting, motions from Councilman Robert Farwell to award the bid to the Land Group, and from Councilman Angelo Welch to award it to Despain and Despain, each died for lack of a second.

The council plans to approach the topic again Thursday night at a special meeting called for the purpose of opening housing rehabilitation bids for residences in the downtown area.

The housing project, housing rehabilitation and a planned rejuvenation of a portion of the downtown area is funded by an \$800,000 block grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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the two proposals. As originally conceived by the council, the project undertaken by the chosen firm would include all phases of planning and engineering from abandonment of the plot to engineering of streets, curbs, gutters and sidewalks.

Rodney Despain of Despain and Despain presented a plan as specified — what Despain termed a "womb-to-tomb approach."

But The Land Group proposes to leave the planning of streets and curbs and gutters up to the future developer.

Under the first option, the city would be the developer and would recoup costs from buyers.

Under the other approach, the city could spare some of the grant money to begin with and use it in other areas of town approved for work.

In other business, Bonnie Harnack, administrator of the HUD grant tendered her resignation to the council effective Oct. 31, saying she intends to relocate in Colorado.

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Russian immigrants find new home

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happy there," Mr. Kheyfets said.

He said if a person is used to freedom he couldn't live under a system where there isn't freedom because the pressure would be too great.

The way the Kheyfets came to enjoy this freedom is a story that almost seems miraculous. Mrs. Kheyfets, youngest brother became a dissident while a student in Moscow. He wanted to leave the country and at one point was given 10 days to leave. He was very fortunate in being allowed to come to the U.S. Mrs. Kheyfets said. Dissidents are often reeducated in the Soviet Union or put in prison.

Another brother and her mother later joined Mrs. Kheyfets' youngest brother through the provisions of an agreement that had been signed in Helsinki which allows emigration to reunite families. Mrs. Kheyfets and her family received an invitation to join her mother and brothers and accepted.

Since their emigration to the United States, the Kheyfets have come to enjoy several aspects of American life. Among these are cereal with milk, especially Raisin Bran, steaks, television with its bright and beautiful color, wall-to-wall carpeting, and freeways and highways that are as new as they don't even compare with those in Russia.

Alex said he likes American food with current favorite being Burger King. He said school is very different in the United States. School is a 10 year program in Russia, he said, with students starting at the age of 7. Students at school six days a week with the same subjects taught and same textbooks used all school throughout the year.

The students are required to attend social activities, he said. These activities may include dances, different types of competitions, or cleaning up the school building and yard.

There is a greater emphasis on math and science in school with English being a required subject, Mrs. Kheyfets' taught English in the school before she came to America. The English taught is British English. Classes like health and home and family living are part of the school system.

Every town also has a music school and a sport school for those interested in developing musical or athletic abilities, she said. Following school, students may continue their education at an institute. Mrs. Kheyfets studied at a Pedagogical Institute for five years in the Ukraine to become a teacher. Mr. Kheyfets attended school in Crimea and went to a Mining Institute in the Ukraine.

The lifestyle of people in the U.S. and in the U.S.S.R. is much the same, Mrs. Kheyfets said, but there are differences.

She said there are more women in the work force in Russia. It is common for a woman to be a doctor, lawyer, factory director or a school director, she said.

Bread is very cheap and very tasty. Mrs. Kheyfets said bread is the main thing people



Yvonne Kheyfets, center, relaxes in his home while listening to the radio with wife Mara and son Alex. Freedom is the

most cherished item they know since journeying to the United States last year.

will eat so the government always insures that the supply of bread is plentiful. Food lines are quite common, especially after work, with shortages of meat or butter occurring. She said she doesn't like American bread so the baker her own.

Most grandparents live with the family and help raise the children she said. There is a lot of day care for children available. A nursing home in Russia is for the new babies instead of the elderly.

Car accidents are plentiful in Russia and Alex said that many activities in America seem to depend on having a driver's license. He said he doesn't know why people drag Main Street in the United States.

Mr. Kheyfets said that working conditions here are also different. "In Russia you have a plan that must be fulfilled," he said.

A favorite vacation spot in the U.S.S.R. is the Black Sea. Travel to other Soviet bloc countries on vacation is also allowed.

There isn't much religion in Russia today. Some are Muslims but most are Christians if they aren't atheistic, Mrs. Kheyfets said. "You can't tell anyone if you do believe in God," she said. "People are raised without religion. Many cathedrals have been turned into museums for people to visit."

Housing is quite different as all apartments are government owned and are in short supply, Mrs. Kheyfets said.

She said people in Russia love the theater, movies and ballet. Every city has a theater

and lots of movies. Some American movies like "The Sound of Music" and "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" can be seen.

Another favorite pastime is reading. Mrs. Kheyfets said you can always see people reading on the subway and that many people own a small library. It is easy to understand this national passion when one realizes the richness of the Russian language and its literature.

Russian is a highly inflected language that allows for the expression of subtle nuances of thought. This language has been the medium for such literary masterpieces as Tolstoy's "War and Peace" and Dostoyevski's "Crime and Punishment." Alexander Pushkin is Russia's greatest poet.

The Russian language is written with an alphabet of 28 letters. This Cyrillic alphabet is based on one devised by Saints Cyril and Methodius in the 9th century.

Although the Soviet government often misrepresents conditions and events in America, Mrs. Kheyfets said they had a good idea of what to expect. She said they listened to the Voice of America broadcasts every day while in Russia. Broadcast in both English and Russian, the program is still a favorite of the Kheyfets.

Mrs. Kheyfets said you cannot believe any of the government propaganda you hear. The government likes to emphasize that crime is a big problem in America. From her experience, she doesn't believe it.

Emery rescuers win national title

Emery Mining Corp.'s Mine Rescue and First Aid Team won the first place championship trophy Friday for Combining Mine Rescue and First Aid at the National Mine Rescue and First Aid Contest in Louisville, Ky.

In addition, the team placed second in the First Aid Contest and third in the Mine Rescue.

The team was competing against approximately 120 of the finest teams in the nation in what has been called the "World Series of Mine Rescue."

The contest is held every other year in Louisville. It has been running for 30 years. This is the first time any area has repeated as champions. E.M.C. first won the

Championship Combining Mine Rescue and First Aid contest in 1975.

The Mine Safety and Health Administration sponsors the three-day contest as a test of the skills of the teams in event of an emergency. The hope that they never need those skills but in case they do its nice to know that we have such a sharp team ready to go into action.

E.M.C.'s team consists of Ray Guyman, trainer and first aid captain; Curtis Steet, mine rescue team captain; Stan Cox, Bryan Chanda, Eric Runstrom, Garth Childs, Marvin Pedersen, Kevin Tuttle, Gordon Larsen and Stuart Foster, alternates.

Car smash-up leads to arrest

CARBONVILLE — Her sister, Raisback said A. Spring Glen man was arrested late Friday after the car he was driving collided with four vehicles, hospitalized two children.

Lined in serious under the influence of James Ylthon, 48, of condition Tuesday at Primary Children's Medical Center, Salt Lake City, was John Marshall, 8, Price, Sheriff's Department, 1971 Chrysler Cordoba Utah Highway Patrol. The accident occurred on the old 201st Street. Raisback said she suffered a severe skull fracture of the KOAL, skull's included his fracture.

his daughters, Joann and Katherine, and 7-year-old son, Jason. There were no injuries to Marshall or his wife and son, Raisback said.

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