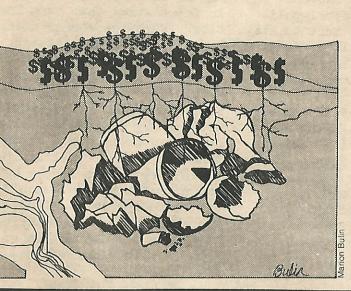
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RECYCLING CENTER FUNDED AT LAST!!

In one of the most bizarre votes in a long history of strange voting on the present Berkeley City Council, the Council voted unanimously (Widener absent), June 27, to fund a grant of a \$66,230 solid waste disposal program to two Berkeley groups, the Center for Environmental Symbiotics and the Ecology Center.

The vote ended a scenario that began 10 months ago, when a proposal was submitted to the Council by Ecology Action, which included plans for city support of three recycling centers, and an educational program.

RENT CONTROL

Art Goldberg

Many people were surprised the Rent Control Charter Amendment was passed by Berkeley voters on June 6, by a margin of over 2,400 votes.

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posal.

From the outset the Fair Rent Committee sought to involve community groups. There were a great many expressions of support from the white community, The city was asked to provide \$66,230 as matching funds for a federal grant for a solid waste demonstration project. But, if the federal grant was lost, the city could support a less ambitious program with the city as sole sponsor. The grant was to be administered by the Ecology Center, a non-profit corporation, which had administered a previous federal grant to Ecology Action.

Ecology Action spent the next several months talking to