

# Dave Koester In Debut At City Council Meeting

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City Manager Dave Koester made his first appearance at a city council meeting last night.

While he was the butt of good-humored remarks, it was evident that the councilmen were confident of their choice.

When the time came for the report of the city manager, a smiling remark was made:

"He's only been on the job a week. What can he have done?"

Koester addressed the assemblage easily.

He expressed optimism about the problems that have to be solved. While he conceded the financial position of Santa Cruz is "tight," he indicated there is nothing facing the city that can't be handled.

"Council meetings in the future will be streamlined," he stated. "There are too many trivial things offered for your consideration that should be handled at lower levels." He indicated that the job of the council is policy making, not details.

Koester praised his present department heads as "capable" and "doing a good job." He announced that new Public Works Director Wilson Fieberling will be on the job Monday.

He went on to touch on his most pressing problem at this time—selecting an administrative assistant-personnel director. He promised that the job will be filled this week from a list com-

piled by the civil service commission after a long afternoon of interviews and oral examinations.

Koester illustrated the urgency of making this appointment by regretfully announcing that he is losing his secretary, Kay Menzemer.

Mrs. Menzemer has been with the city for more than ten years.

Koester said that for now his job is to study, to learn, to become acquainted. Generally, he is following the lead of those who preceded him. He made it clear, however, that when changes have to be made they will be made.

## Young Democrat Club Organization Meeting Tomorrow

A Young Democrats club will be formed tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock in Democratic headquarters, 1214 Pacific avenue.

Co-chairmen Gary Carlton and Dick Olive urge interested youth to attend the meeting to "help our candidates in the November election."

Donuts and soft drinks will be served.

Carlton, a senior, and Olive, a junior, both attend Santa Cruz High school.

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