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Allocation Plan Called Inadequate

would be more like it," said Robert Mann, president of the Detroit Parks and Recreation Commission, commenting on the \$8 million proposal.

Mann and other city representatives also complained that the city needs cash to upgrade facilities, not for acquiring and developing property, as the DNR proposal stipulates.

Under the DNR plan, the \$8 million annual allocation

would be divided among 14 regions two ways.

Twenty percent of the money, or \$1.6 million, would be divided equally, with each region getting \$114,286. The remaining 80 percent would be split up according to population.

Under that formula, the seven-county region of which Detroit is part would get about \$3.5 million a year.

ACCORDING to figures

compiled by the UAW Southeastern Michigan Community Action Program, the formula would produce 69 cents per person for residents of the region that includes Detroit, but as much as \$6 per person for residents of the eastern Upper Peninsula.

Mann and Charlene Knight, a UAW representative, urged that the allocation be based on population.

"Let's spend the money

where the people live," said Miss Knight.

Monday's meeting was the 10th in a series of hearings the DNR is holding around the state to get public reaction to the proposal.

The 11th and final meeting is being held Tuesday in Pontiac.

Joseph Seavey, DNR section head, said that his department will make a report on the hearings to the governor and various legislative committees.

Woodcock Testifies for UAW Official

UAW President Leonard Woodcock led high-ranking union officials to the witness stand in Wayne County Circuit Court on Monday as character witnesses for a local union official charged with attempting to murder a union dissident last November.

Woodcock, among the first defense witnesses in the trial of David Mundy, 39, testified that he has known Mundy for three years and has "the greatest of respect for his integrity and responsibility."

Mundy is chairman of UAW Local 600's 5,900-member unit at Ford's casting center in Flat Rock and iron foundry in Dearborn. He is accused of attempting to kill William Harrell, a 27-year-old Ford worker and Local 600 member.

ON NOV. 13 Mundy and Harrell got into an argument at the Local 600 Union Hall in Dearborn. It came shortly after union officials had called off a vote in which union members were asked to reconsider their earlier vote on the contract which the UAW had negotiated with Ford.

The union's skilled tradesmen had rejected the contract because of provisions covering the use of outside help by the company.

Prosecution witnesses testified that during the argument

over the vote, Mundy pulled a .357 Magnum pistol and began firing at Harrell.

Harrell fled with Mundy and three of his aides in pursuit, witnesses said.

According to prosecution witnesses, Harrell ran to a service station and locked himself inside. Mundy allegedly came to the station and fired shots through a window, striking Harrell once in the buttocks.

NONE OF THE defense witnesses called Monday by defense attorney Kenneth Cockrell actually saw the shooting incident.

Walter Dorosh, president of Local 600 and a member of the UAW National Negotiation Committee, said he saw pickets around the union hall asking workers to vote against the proposed contract on the morning of the incident.

Mike Rinoldi, first vice-president of Local 600, said that he arrived at the union hall with Mundy and that the two were confronted by pickets. Rinoldi described the atmosphere around the hall as "very tense."

Dorosh and Rinoldi, along with Local 600 Second Vice-President Robert Battle, echoed Woodcock's high estimation of Mundy's character.