

## GRANTING OF FAVORS CHARGED

# Step Taken to Recall Councilman Shepard

A notice of intent to recall 3rd District Councilman Thomas D. Shepard was filed with City Clerk Walter C. Thiel Thursday.

The action was initiated by a five-member Citizen's Committee to Recall Councilman Shepard, consisting of residents of Woodland Hills, which is in the lawmaker's west San Fernando Valley district.

In its notice, the committee accused Shepard, who is midway in his second four-year term, of "many conflicts of interest and poor judgment" making him a "liability to the 3rd District."

The statement also accused Shepard of "granting special zoning favors to prominent land developers in return for campaign contributions and other assistance."

Shepard declined comment on the committee's action.

The notice was signed by Kenneth Taylor and Mrs. Norma J. Taylor, 22100 Independencia St.; Frederick T. Smith and Mrs. Doris M. Smith, 4830 Nomad Drive, and Mrs. Sally B. Angel, 23336 Califa St.

Thursday's filing was the second recall action against Shepard, who was elected in 1961 and re-elected in 1965.

The first attempt was in April, 1964, but it became a dead issue when Shepard's district was shifted that year in the quadrennial reapportionment.

If the committee satisfies all the preliminary requirements attendant to recall proceedings, it will have six months in which to obtain the necessary number of signatures to place the issue on the ballot.

That figure is 8,511—or 20% of the number of votes cast in the district in the 1965 election—Thiel said.