

ANCHORAGE (USA), ANOTHER GO...



Mr. Dave Baumeister presents a superb poster of the city of Anchorage. Left: Messrs. Rich Nerland and Michael Korff.

The American decision was not long in coming. The twenty-three members of the USOC's Executive Board, presided over by Mr. Robert Helmick, IOC member, decided to give the NOC's support to a bid by Anchorage for the XVIIIth Olympic Winter Games. Alaska's great port thus became the first city to submit a bid to the IOC. Early in December 1986, representatives of the Organising Committee came to Lausanne

to present their proposals officially to the IOC President. Among them were Messrs. Dave Baumeister, President, Rick Nerland, Secretary General and Michael Korff, United States Information Service, who held the same positions in the candidature committee for the 1992 Winter Games. Mrs. Anita de Frantz, IOC member in the United States, was also present on the occasion.

In the race for the NOC's nomination, Anchorage was up against a project put forward by Reno-Lake Tahoe in the State of Nevada.

...FOLLOWED CLOSELY BY SOFIA (BUL) AND LAUSANNE (SUI)

The President of the Bulgarian Olympic Committee, Mr. Ivan Slavkov, informed the IOC President that his NOC had decided to put forward once more the Bulgarian capital's bid for the organisation of the Winter Games. The city of Sofia, which was a competitor in the race for the XVIth Olympic Winter Games, thus became the second city to apply officially for the 1994 edition.

Lausanne, which was aiming for 1996, has been chosen by the Swiss Olympic Committee to defend the Swiss colours in the competition for the same Games in 1994, a choice made by fifty-nine votes against fifteen for Interlaken.