

Town may get \$2-million federal bus grant

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Chapel Hill and state officials say the town bus system probably will be receiving a boost of more than \$2 million in federal grant funds because of the way, the U.S. Census Bureau sees the town.

Bill Callahan, assistant town transportation director, said Chapel Hill requested \$400,000 for operating costs and more than \$2 million for capital improvements to its buses under a section of the Urban Mass Transit Act which funnels money to non-urbanized areas of less than 50,000 people.

And since North Carolina ranks as one of the most rural states in the nation according to the census bureau, and Chapel Hill is one of the largest areas in the state falling in that category, the town stands a good chance of receiving most of the about \$2.5 million it has requested out of a total of about \$3 million available for the state.

Callahan said they expected to receive the \$400,000 for operating assistance, which was approved in July, sometime this month. The \$2 million for capital improvements already has been guaranteed, he said, but

probably won't be received until December 1980. The problem with the program is that there is a year between request and receipt of funds, Callahan said.

"This delay causes problems in planning for requests because they can't tell how much costs will be and what services will be necessary, especially since the fiscal years are different," Callahan said. The town's fiscal year runs from July 1 through June 31, while the fiscal year for the federal program is Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.

"For the last three quarters of the fiscal year we won't know whether we have operating assistance," Callahan said. Under the program, funds may be used for up to 50 percent of the operating costs, he said.

In addition to operating costs, the funds may be used for up to 80 percent of the cost of improvements in the system, including purchases of buses, other vehicles, radios and equipment.

For Oct. 1, 1979 to Sept. 30, 1980, Chapel Hill has submitted an application for \$470,000 in operating costs which should cover up to 50 percent of those costs, Callahan said. "We will be applying for a capital grant for buses and support equipment like radios," he said.

Eight buses will cost approximately \$1.2 million, he said. Callahan said he predicted Chapel Hill would have a total request for about \$2.5 million of the \$3.1 million.

Whether Chapel Hill receives that much depends on the level of requests throughout the state, he said.

The 11 largest cities in North Carolina and possibly Mecklenburg County are the only areas not eligible for Section 18 grants, said Cy K. Lynn, a special assistant for public affairs with the state Department of Transportation.

North Carolina has the fifth-largest rural population in the nation and because of this, the state is eligible for a large part of the federal funds, Lynn said.

But other areas in the state that qualify have a much smaller transportation system, Callahan said. Other small urban areas include Greenville, Wilson and Salisbury, which will probably request about \$50,000-\$60,000 each, he said.

"But there are 100 counties in North Carolina and even if they need only small amounts, that adds up," Callahan said. "In terms of long-term prospects for funds, we're very uncertain."

Communists get year sentence for disruption

A Guilford County judge on Tuesday sentenced three Revolutionary Communist Party members to one year in prison after convicting them of trespassing and disrupting a class on the University of North Carolina at Greensboro campus.

A fourth defendant was convicted only on a trespassing charge and sentenced to six months in prison.

Defense attorney Allen Mason of Durham said each of the misdemeanor charges carries a six-month maximum sentence. Mason appealed to superior court, and the defendants were freed on bond.

Judge Frank Campbell said defendants convicted of two charges would serve their two six-month sentences consecutively.

The defendants, all from out of state, were arrested by campus police after several people entered a business class Oct. 10. A lecture just had begun when the disruption occurred.

UNC-G Professor Allen Maynard testified that three men and a woman broke into his lecture, handing out leaflets and shouting political slogans.

The case stemmed from efforts by the RCP to promote an appearance in Greensboro by their national leader, Bob Avakian.

Defendant Kevin Moore, 21, of Tampa, Fla., told the court the communist group decided to enter the classrooms "to let people know he



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(Avakian) was coming and what the government was doing to him."

Bob Sheldon, spokesman for the UNC Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade, a division of the RCP, said the conviction is an attempt to "harass, intimidate, and eventually crush" the RCP.

"Over 400 supporters of the RCP have been arrested in the last year for doing revolutionary political work," Sheldon said. "By building broad support nationwide, we were able to expose and defeat, at least temporarily, attempts by government to railroad RCP Chairman Bob Avakian and the Mao defendants."

Ten other RCP members are scheduled for trial Friday. They were arrested in October when they tried to make speeches and hand out leaflets at a public-housing complex in Greensboro. They were charged with inciting to riot, resisting arrest and related offenses.

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Awards offered to study abroad

The Chapel Hill Rotary Club is seeking candidates for Rotary Foundation educational awards for study abroad in 1981-82.

The awards provide round-trip transportation, educational and living expenses for one academic year and funds for language training if necessary. The awards are open to all undergraduate and graduate students, teachers of the handicapped, students in technical training programs and journalists.

The deadline for application is March 1. For more information or applications contact George R. Holcomb, 01 South Building, 933-1383.

zoning

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would give families an advantage over students, who now pool resources to pay rent.

Other changes in the proposed rewrite already have provoked opposition from the University administration, and several other proposals are expected to be controversial. The rewrite will be reviewed and voted on by the Town Council in 1980.

In keeping with the town's Comprehensive Plan which encourages denser development, the proposed zoning ordinance would make no distinction between parking lots and parking decks, Jennings said.

Parking decks would be permitted in any areas where parking lots were permitted, including the central business district and the UNC campus. Under the present ordinance, the Town Council must grant a special use permit before parking decks can be built.

Jennings said that with the change the town would review the design of decks, but would not have the power to block their construction.

A parking deck is a more compact land use than a surface lot, he said, and added that concentrating the town parking in decks may actually add to, rather than detract from, the town's atmosphere.

"There would be more land to devote to businesses, and maybe even some for open space."

Jennings said the town planning staff has resolved some of the differences between the town and the University which surfaced during the October public hearing on the proposed rewrite. But he said some disagreement remains.

Jennings said he met with John Temple, UNC's vice chancellor for business and finance, shortly after Temple expressed objections to certain zoning changes which would affect the University.

Jennings said he reached a compromise with

University officials on the zoning of the University's Mason Farm tract. The rewrite originally identified this land as an environmentally critical area which should be zoned residential.

Temple criticized the proposal saying it would prohibit the University from using the land. Jennings said he now is willing to zone the N.C. Botanical Gardens and the land surrounding Morgan Creek as residential, but will agree to zoning the rest of the land as suitable for office and institutional use.

But the town planning staff and the University are still at odds over the zoning of Battle Park, the site of the controversial UNC Press Building. Jennings said he still believes the park area should be zoned residential even though Temple has argued it should be zoned for office and institutional use.

If the area is zoned residential, the Press Building and the Park Place parking lot would be non-conforming uses which could not be significantly changed or replaced if destroyed.

Zoning requirements for parking on campus was another concern of University officials. The rewrite would require the University to provide parking spaces for each building as would another business.

Jennings said he will present three options to the council—to exempt the University from such requirements, to exempt the University from the parking requirement for the central campus only or to require the University to prepare a parking plan which would be reviewed by the town.

Jennings said the parking requirements for the University exist in the present zoning ordinance.

"The University is required to provide parking just like anyone else. It just hasn't been enforced. I don't know why, but we just haven't enforced it strictly."

Title IX

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Carter said. "It is difficult to meet that goal, but we have so far this year."

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U.S. Embassy to be closed in Libya

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States is closing its embassy in Tripoli until the Libyan government acknowledges responsibility for a mob attack in which the building was ransacked and burned, the State Department said Wednesday.

U.S. officials said the action did not amount to severing relations with the government of Col. Moammar Khadafy.

The U.S. mission, which now numbers 10 members, will be scaled down to a handful and will move to another embassy or building elsewhere in Tripoli to look after the affairs of the 2,500 to 3,000 Americans in the oil-rich Arab country.

Secretaries and dependents of Americans stationed at the embassy were evacuated from the country after the Sunday morning attack by a mob of some 2,000 Moslems demonstrating their support for Iranian militants holding 50 American hostages in Tehran.

Senate stands by tax break for oil industry

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Senate, which has indicated it wants a stiffer windfall profits tax than recommended by its Finance Committee, drew the line Wednesday and refused to slash a lucrative tax break enjoyed by the oil industry.

By a 57-37 vote, the Senate rejected an amendment by Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., that would have cost the industry an additional \$14.6 billion in the 1980s. The amendment would have denied the oil depletion allowance—a cherished 22 percent income tax deduction—on future prices that are subject to the windfall tax.

The Senate then turned to a Republican proposal aimed at forcing income tax cuts for individuals and business by \$186 billion in 1981 through 1984 by limiting the percentage of national wealth that the federal government can take in any kind of tax.

The GOP plan would require a tax cut of about \$39 billion in 1981, but Congress would have to decide later just how taxes would be reduced.

Mormons excommunicate feminist

STERLING, Va. (AP)—Feminist Sonia Johnson, who campaigned for the Equal Rights Amendment, was excommunicated Wednesday by the Mormon Church.

Johnson said her bishop urged her to repent and be rebaptized, but she said, "I haven't got anything to repent of. I wish I did so I could repent. How can I repent of something that's not wrong?"

"He doesn't want me to repent," she said. "He wants me to stop my ERA activities."

The 43-year-old mother of four and her husband, a college professor and researcher, had expected the decision which came by registered mail Wednesday after a three-hour trial last Saturday night.

Johnson, whose family has been in the church for five generations, said she expected to appeal the decision to the church hierarchy.

Federal court reverses pornography ruling

RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—A federal appeals court reversed two lower courts Wednesday and upheld the constitutionality of North Carolina's anti-pornography law, saying the state may act to limit the spread of sex-oriented "supermarkets."

"North Carolina certainly has a substantial interest in maintaining a stable, healthful environment in its cities," the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals wrote.

It said the law was clearly within the police powers of the state to prevent neighborhood deterioration and crime.

The 1977 law prohibits the location of more than one adult establishment in the same building. It was challenged by a variety of owners and operators of such establishments throughout the state.

Federal courts in Raleigh and Charlotte had ruled that the law abridged the right to privacy and violated freedoms of speech and press.

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have some authority to see that the programs of an office of minority affairs were carried out, Norberg said.

The proposal stated that creation of an administrative assistant position could reduce program duplication, enhance communication between different departments of the University and lead to the sharing of ideas, programs and experiences.

The proposal also stated that such a system would not "impinge on the authority of the various schools, academic departments, or administrative divisions and agencies. It is not intended to replace the efforts made by individual divisions, departments, committees or administrative divisions and agencies.

"Dean (Hayden B.) Renwick's office in the College of Arts and Sciences, the services provided by the Office of the Assistant to the Provost, and the Black-White Dialogue Committee are notable examples of attempts to address minority problems. Such efforts should exist in all segments of the University," the proposal stated.

Norberg said a letter would be sent to the Committee on the Status of Minorities and the Disadvantaged to clarify the intent of the proposal.

The committee will present a report to the Faculty Council next spring on the enhancement of minorities' presence on campus.

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Used unauthorized material on exam	Geol 11L	UC	Not Guilty	Guilty	Suspension for one semester, F in course
Forgery of signature; attempted to deceive University officials	—	AHO	Guilty	Guilty	indefinite suspension
Plagiarized a paper	Engl 2	UC	Guilty	Guilty	Suspension for one semester, F in course
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Plagiarized a paper	Span 4	UC	Guilty	Guilty	Suspension for one semester, F in course
Cheated on test	Chem 11	UC	Guilty	Guilty	Suspension for one semester, F in course
Furnished false information	—	UC	Guilty	Guilty	indefinite Probation and loss of student identification card

PRIOR ACTION / COURT	COURSE	GROUND FOR APPEAL	ACTION	COURT
One semester suspension and F in course for plagiarizing a paper / UC	Engl 86	Inufficient evidence and severity of sanction	Verdict and sanction sustained	UHB
Indefinite suspension for theft and forgery of checks	—	Severity of sanction	Sanction sustained	Chancellor
One semester suspension and F in course for plagiarizing a paper / UC	Engl 2	Severity of sanction	Sanction sustained	UHB

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