

For Chapel Hill housing

Aldermen approve town funds

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After a two-hour public hearing, the Carrboro Board of Aldermen voted 4-3 Tuesday night to loan the Chapel Hill Housing Authority \$10,000 to secure land for a 30-unit public housing project at 612 N. Greensboro St.

Aldermen Ernie Patterson, Hilliard Caldwell, Steve Rose and Mayor Bob Drakeford voted for the loan. Aldermen Joyce Garrett, John Boone and Jim White vetoed the proposal.

Carrboro requested funds from Housing and Urban Development for the project in 1978. The proposed project would provide public housing for 30 low-income families.

Charles Riggsbee, of 108 Lilac Dr., presented to the board a petition signed by 241 people. The petition stated that the town had already overextended itself financially, and assuming additional expenses and social responsibility would be irresponsible. The petition also stated that Carrboro was ignoring the needs of its senior citizens and objected to the concentration of low-income families in the North Greensboro Street area.

Riggsbee warned the board to heed the desires of the petitioners because "a block vote might prevent your reelection." Caldwell angrily responded that he had been bothered by phone calls all day.

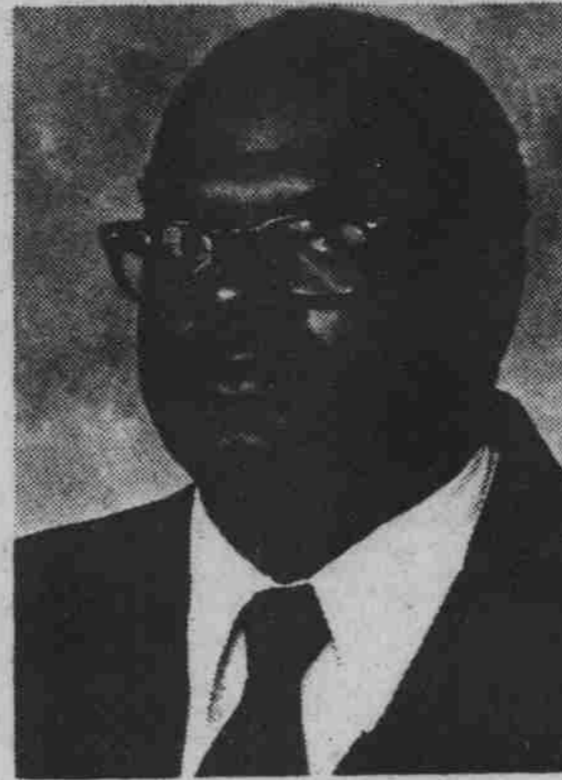
"I will not be intimidated by citizens who tell me they voted for me and can get rid of me in four years. I will not be intimidated over social needs. I simply will not tolerate it," he said.

Other Carrboro citizens expressed concern that the crime rate would increase if the project were completed.

One woman said she had talked with policemen who told her crime and drugs were a big problem in low-income housing areas because "they tend to congregate people who are apt to be violent."

Alvin Stevenson, executive director of the Chapel Hill Housing Authority, said he had no statistics showing that crime rates increased when low-income families moved into an area.

Former alderman Doug Sharer, one of seven who spoke in favor of the loan, said it was important that Carrboro try to develop all types of housing in all areas of the city. "Nobody wants it next to him," he said, "but we have to put it somewhere."



Hilliard Caldwell

SCC endorses election candidates

The Sports Club Council endorsed Mike Vandenburg for student body president, Jonathan Rich for Daily Tar Heel editor and Perry Morrison for Carolina Athletic Association president after its forum Wednesday night.

Of the 20 teams represented by the council, six attended the forum and voted on endorsements. A scheduling conflict with the UNC-Clemson basketball game and confusion about the time of the forum hampered attendance, said SCC President Alison Pentz.

Vandenburg was endorsed, Pentz said, "because we found him to be a medium between Mark Canady, who was extremely well-spoken and would make a good president, and at the other end of the spectrum, with Summey Orr, who would pay a lot of attention to small detail."

Rich was selected because he "was willing to make commitments, almost promises" to covering club sports, as opposed to John Drescher, who said "no, I am sorry, I can't make you any promises, you'll get published every two weeks and we'll lump you with IM/Rec sports."

Morrison is running unopposed for the CAA position.

"The decision was made on what a candidate could do for our organization," Pentz said.

The next forum will be today at 7 p.m. in the basement of Teague Residence Hall. It is sponsored by Residence Hall Association.

—BILL PESCHEL

OWASA directors award New York firm a contract for engineering study of local water distribution

By DAVID DEESE
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The Board of Directors of Orange Water and Sewer Authority awarded a contract for an engineering study of the local water distribution system to a New York firm last week.

Pitometer Associates, Inc., a Manhattan water engineering firm, was chosen to conduct the \$34,000 study, which will focus on the Chapel Hill-Carrboro water system.

Everett Billingsley, OWASA executive director, said the four-month study would help determine local water system needs over the next 15 years.

"By considering such things as pipe sizes and distribution mains, the study will determine strong and weak points in water flows and pressures," Billingsley said. "The information gathered will aid the planning agencies of Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Orange County in respect to future development."

Moses Fiedler, district manager for Pitometer Associates, Inc., said his firm had conducted previous surveys in North Carolina.

"In the past year, we have conducted studies in Winston-Salem, Burlington, Durham, Raleigh, Greenville, Gardner, Halifax County and at Wake Forest," he said. "In 1960 and 1971, we did engineering studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill."

Although Pitometer Associates relies on computers in its surveys, the firm also conducts extensive field research, Fiedler said.

"We send out engineers to find the strengths and weaknesses of the water system," he said.

"We even check secondary systems for clogs and other problems which may alter readings. We don't make as many assumptions as some firms do."

Fiedler said the information gathered from the Chapel Hill-Carrboro study would be helpful to the community.

"The results of the study will be important to future development, including fire protection."

Less financial aid available for next year due to federal government budget cuts

With the budget cuts from the federal government for financial aid expected to increase, students at UNC might be beginning to panic and to wonder if they can expect to return to school next year.

During the next week, financial aid forums will be held to help students fill out the mandatory Financial Aid Forms in a complete and easy manner, but acquiring the necessary funds to be distributed for next year may be more difficult than most students realize, Tom Langston, associate director of financial aid, said this week.

One financial aid employee said if the office told the media the actual amount they expect the federal government to cut, there would be a panic for money all across the campus.

Even if students have the forms turned in on time, the financial aid office will not know for some time exactly how much money will be available for next year, leaving students to wonder, possibly into the summer, about their educational futures, Langston said.

Along with stiffer rules for receiving a Guaranteed Student Loan already in effect and the phasing out and elimination of Social Security benefits to children of a deceased or disabled parent, there is the possibility of the elimination of the Pell Grant (formerly the BEOG), causing more students to rely on the financial aid office for funds, he said.

The financial aid forums are scheduled for noon-1:30 p.m. today, 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday and 4-5:30 p.m. Wednesday. At these forums, to be held in Room 205 of the Carolina Union, financial aid advisers will help students fill out financial aid forms.

—DAVID CURRAN

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