

A voter's guide to the CS City Council election

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POSITION 1—Robert A. Knapp
Age: 37
Occupation: Retiree

Describe your education and experience that qualify you to carry out the responsibilities of the office you seek.

I hold two college degrees. My professional background in the Army Service and as a teacher with college and public schools qualify me for the responsibilities of this office. I have resided in College Station for sixteen years.

Do you favor expansion of the city's economic base through industrial development? If so, what specific kinds of industries would you like to see in College Station?

What sort of municipal controls should the city have to protect the environment?

Do you favor expansion of the city's economic base through industrial development, but not in the generally accepted sense. I do favor the presence in the city of manufacturing establishments which generate waste, rubbish, trucking, and railroad siding problems. With the facilities of TAMU within the city, College Station could and should be a de-

sirable location for the experimental laboratories, executive, and branch offices of large corporations. Many of these corporations are moving their offices from the congested and high rent areas of the large cities. The type of citizenry of these offices and laboratories would contribute materially to the development of College Station without drastic changes in the environment.

What do you think of the present public utilities arrangement?

The present utility arrangements of the city of College Station, with the exception of the electricity and water supply, appear to be adequate and capable of expansion. I do question the current arrangements for our supply of electricity and water by the city of Bryan. I do not believe that Bryan has sufficient reserves of these commodities to meet a major increase in demands by both cities.

What aspects of the city program do you feel need more (or less) emphasis and more (or less) financial support?

Continued street improvement and better street lighting appear to me as needing attention as well as the city's insistence that all developers comply strictly with the city requirements regarding street paving and lighting, power and telephone lines, water, sewer, and gas mains. I favor underground conduits for these lines and mains in all future developments.

I also believe that more emphasis should be given to the requirements that commercial establishments keep their premises clean and free of fire and health hazards.

POSITION 2—Bruce Clay
Age: 21
Occupation: Student of Business

Describe your education and experience that qualify you to carry out the responsibilities of the office you seek.

Being a finance major, a Student Senator, Senate Executive Committee member, a member of President Williams' Advisory Council and the Alumni-Student Advisory Council, Chairman of Senate Public Relations Committee and member of Alpha Phi Omega, I am daily in contact with students, faculty, and residents alike.

Do you favor expansion of the city's economic base through industrial development? If so, what specific kinds of industries would you like to see in College Station?

What sort of municipal controls should the city have to protect the environment?

Expansion of the municipality's economic base would be beneficial to all citizens. It would provide much needed city revenue, create new jobs and draw new residents. One way to attract new industries to the area would

be the creation of an Industrial Park by the city, much as Bryan has done. I would be in favor of light-to-medium industry, as I see no need for heavy industry. Development of an Industrial Park with up-to-date environmental controls would allow the city to both confine and control these industries.

The creation of a Community Committee to study the development and financing of such ideas could also be employed.

What do you think of the present public utilities arrangement?

Currently, utilities are obtained from Bryan and the revenue collected from the provision of these utilities has lessened the tax burden to the residents of College Station. This appears to be a very workable system for the present. However, I would like to see the city investigate the feasibility of developing its own utilities, independent of Bryan. There is state and federal money available for this, which would substantially reduce the amount that would have to be financed by a bond issue.

What aspects of the city program do you feel need more (or less) emphasis and more (or less) financial support?

We are largely a community of professionals and para-professionals. The ability to plan our community's continued growth in an orderly and aesthetic fashion is within our grasp. Using the community's professional expertise, we can best decide the most economical way to divide out city's financial support.

POSITION 3—Homer B. Adams
Age: 48
Occupation: Owner & Manager Adams Transfer & Storage Co.

Describe your education and experience that qualify you to carry out the responsibilities of the office you seek.

BS degree from Texas A&M

University in accounting, 1947. 24 years of management experience. Have served one term on city council.

Do you favor expansion of the city's economic base through industrial development? If so, what specific kinds of industries would you like to see in College Station?

What sort of municipal controls should the city have to protect the environment?

Yes—Naturally we all want research oriented industry—I do, too, also other industries. Although I do not feel we have land available for industry, I do want to encourage businesses to locate in College Station. There are many services not available here that I believe citizens would support. We already have controls with our zoning.

What do you think of the present public utilities arrangement?

At the present we have the best arrangement we can make. Future planning should start now for College Station to own its own water and electrical sources.

What aspects of the city program do you feel need more (or less) emphasis and more (or less) financial support?

POSITION 4—Clara L. Sandstedt
Age: 44
Occupation: Works half day in husband's law office.

Describe your education and experience that qualify you to carry out the responsibilities of the office you seek.

Working my way through college in 1945-46 was not possible in competition with thousands of veterans coming home from war so I went to work in a bank and attended night classes. Later I became an office manager and executive with heavy responsibilities with two subsidiaries of national companies.

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I would like to see industry brought to College Station which would utilize the research facilities at the University. Research labs for the petrochemical industry are an example. Additional ordinances protecting our air and water may be needed. I suggest a study be made. City ordinances would have to comply with the New State Regulations in this subject area.

What do you think of the present public utilities arrangement?

Generalization on this subject is impossible. I prefer to talk about garbage collection. A study has been underway by one of our former councilmen, Dan Davis, and these findings indicate a change in our method of collection should be made. I was appointed to help make this study.

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Parks and recreation. I would like to see further progress made on the proposal for a municipal swimming pool with the school district and city cooperating jointly.

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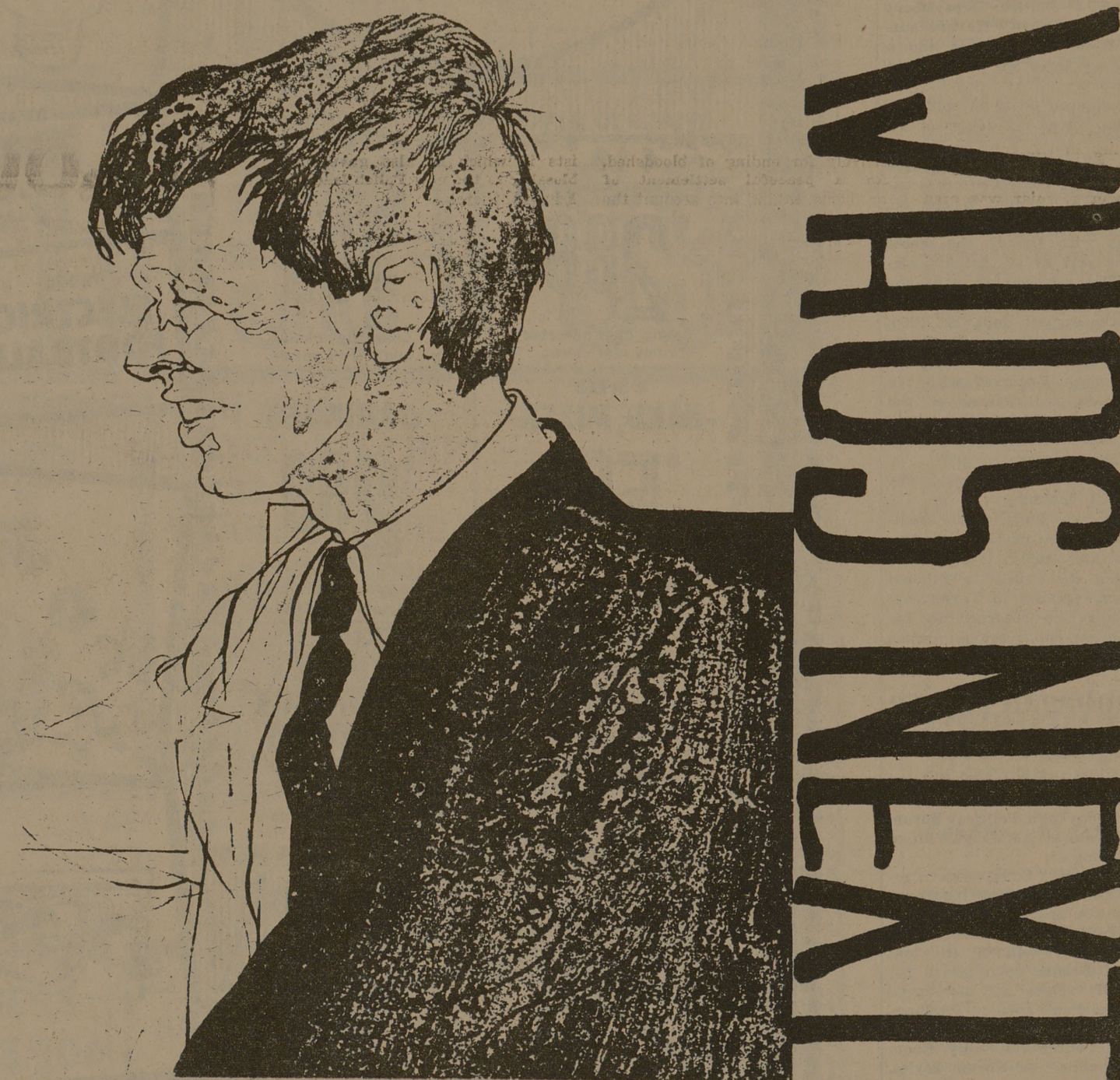
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