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Zoning issue splits CS City Councilmen

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Staff Writer

Controversy erupted among College Station City Councilmen Monday night over the city's zoning policies during their regular meeting.

The council split sides while considering requests for rezoning three tracts of land owned by E. Kelly Parker. The 69 acres of land is near the intersection of Southwest Parkway and FM 2154.

Parker asked the council to rezone the three tracts for apartment building purposes, general commercial development and agricultural purposes. The land was originally zoned for single-family residences.

Each of the requests was granted by 4-3 margins. Mayor O. M. Holt cast the tie-breaking votes in favor of each request.

Councilmen Larry Bravenec, Jim Gardner and Jim Dozier voted against the requests, claiming that Parker had not submitted any specific plans for developing the land.

"I just don't like rezoning requests that don't include concrete plans for development," Bravenec said. "Developers should have something on paper that will show us what they are going to do."

Dozier agreed with Bravenec, saying the council was "just rezoning property at the whim of the developer."

Councilmen Fred Brison, Homer Adams and Don Dale voted with

Holt for the rezoning ordinances. Dale said the city is facing a housing shortage unless more apartments are built.

"I just think we should give developers a chance to invest in our community and provide enough places for people to live," Dale said. He said apartment construction has declined locally in the past few years.

But Dozier emphatically disagreed with Dale.

"Are you saying that the drop in apartment construction is because we haven't rezoned enough land?" he asked Dale.

"No," Dale replied, without elaborating.

Paul Wahlberg, a representative for Parker, told the council rezoning one of the tracts for agricultural purposes would serve as a buffer zone between any apartments that might be built and single family residences. Wahlberg said he would probably later request the council to rezone that tract for apartment construction.

Holt, however, questioned the move to rezone the land to agricultural open district.

"Why rezone to agricultural open when you're going to have to come back anyway to request zoning it for apartment purposes?" Holt asked Wahlberg.

Wahlberg hesitated but told Holt that "the market will determine how the land will be used later."

"It appears that you saying the council would more easily consider rezoning from agricultural open district to apartment construction purposes rather than rezoning directly from single family residences to apartment building purposes," Holt said. "Let's not hide the issue."

Robison adviser



KEN ROBISON

Ken Robison has been named the new student legal adviser, replacing Bob Rutledge, who has become assistant director of development.

Robison graduated from Texas A&M in 1968 and attended South Texas College of Law in Houston.

The 29-year-old native of Guy had previously worked at M. D. Anderson Hospital after graduating from A&M. He later entered military service and was stationed at Fort Bliss and Fort Sam Houston as well as abroad.

He and his wife Linda have two children, Tamara, 5, and Jarrett, 18 mos.

Request

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The council also set a policy concerning street and sidewalk improvements by petition and assessments. Streets will be paved if the city is petitioned by 51 per cent of the property owners on both sides of the streets. Property owners will be assessed \$8 per linear foot for a 28-foot wide street, an increase of \$4 under the old ordinance. Sidewalks will be constructed by the city after it is petitioned by at least 75 per cent of the property owners requesting construction. They will be assessed \$2 per linear foot.

Williams advocated a contingency fund to be established and distributed as needed to expanding universities by an independent agency. He said the Coordinating Board, which handles small colleges' allocations, is capable of the job without strengthening or duplicating agencies.

TAMU is near its limit for individual work, he said, because the faculty has increased 12 per cent while the individual work load has increased 30 per cent. After that limit is passed, the quality of education goes down, he said.

The special items related to TAMU that the president mentioned included radiological safety. The university has two reactors, 126 radioactive laboratories and one of five cyclotrons operated by a U. S. university. The federal government sets the minimum safety requirements and TAMU is in a pinch since

the work load cannot be reduced, he said.

He also noted the importance of TAMU's sea programs and said the university must match Federal funding.

He explained the cooperative medicine program TAMU is trying to establish. It would produce an MD in six, not eight, years, and would be accomplished without building another free-standing medical school. Students would begin their medical studies at TAMU and finish at one of the medical schools already established.

There is need for the cooperative medicine program, he said, because the present medical schools are not producing doctors fast enough. Cooperative programs could be established wherever there are quality hospitals and preclude the need for building additional medical schools.

Williams said the program could not harm anyone because if it should fail, students who were already enrolled in the program could get their degrees as planned.

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Behavioral training

Ags chosen for leadership study

Three A&M students have been selected to attend the 1975 Southwestern Life Youth Leadership Institute, scheduled March 21-23 in Dallas.

Robert Paul Barbier, Gary Monroe Brown, and Naomi Jane Logan

were nominated by school officials and will receive scholarships from Southwestern Life Insurance Company covering all expenses except transportation to and from Dallas.

The students will study various aspects of human behavior to dis-

cover the qualities of a successful leader. Industrial management and behavioral psychology will provide a basis for the training.

Barbier is vice president elect in charge of MSC programs, vice chairman of the Student Council on National Affairs, treasurer for the Opera and Performing Arts Society, and a pledge to Beta Alpha Psi national accounting honorary society. A Corps member, he is a junior accounting student from Houston.

Brown, also a junior accounting major, is vice president-elect of MSC finance and Student Conference on National Affairs vice president-elect for finance. He has also been Summer Directorate treasurer, a delegate and treasurer

for two annual leadership conferences, and a delegate to the American College Union. His memberships include Phi Eta Sigma, Beta Alpha Psi, and National Honor Society/Business and Management. He is from Plano, Texas.

Logan is president-elect of the MSC, vice president of MSC programs and on the Ideas Committee of the College of Agriculture. She is a member of both Gamma Delta Sigma agriculture honorary society and Cap and Gown senior honor society. Majoring in floriculture, she is from Buchanan Dam, Texas.

Koldus to address buffet dinner meet

Dr. John Koldus, vice president for student services, will speak tomorrow at a meeting of the Brazos County A&M Club.

The buffet dinner meeting will be at Wyatt's Cafeteria beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Dr. Koldus and his wife, members of the Brazos A&M Club, are in their second year at TAMU.

Ag new state RHA head

Nolen Mears, president of Puryear Hall, was elected Texas Resident Hall Association (TRHA) president at the TRHA Convention March 13-16. Mears was last year's treasurer.

The TRHA convention next year will be held at A&M. A&M was the first school to make a bid for the convention. After A&M's presentation on its facilities, Mears said the TRHA president "made a motion to give it to A&M." The motion passed unanimously.

As a result of the convention, Mears said next year's RHA will be active all year round and not just

during Casino. It will concentrate on getting policy changes for dorms like dorm improvements and later visitation hours.

Friday and Saturday of the convention, workshops were held. "They (the workshops) were

pretty good, but too short. In our convention, they will be longer," Mears said. "More time is needed to rap."

One hundred and fifty people attended from 14 schools. A&M had 22 delegates.

Bulletin board

TODAY
CEPHEID VARIABLES meet in rm. L of the MSC Student Programs Office at 7:30 p.m. to finalize AggieCon VI plans.
TROPICAL STUDIES PROGRAM presents Dr. T. C. Cartwright speaking on Problems in the Sahel at 7:30 p.m. in Rudder Tower rm. 510.
AGGIE BASS CLUB in Rudder Tower rm. 308 at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY
AICLE at 7:30 p.m. in Zachry rm. 103 Mr. Muela of El Paso Natural Gas will speak on air pollution from coal gasification.

AGGIE CINEMA meeting will be in the conference room of the MSC at 7 p.m.

NURSING SOCIETY will meet in room 504 of the Rudder Tower at 7 p.m. Ann Hazen will speak on the Planned Parenthood program and the role of the nurse practitioner.

GREAT ISSUES will present Louis Bukeyer at 5 p.m. in room 601 of the Rudder Tower.

WEDNESDAY
CONTINUING EDUCATION WORKSHOP will be presented at 3 p.m. in the Rudder Tower.

WHEELMEN will start a short bike ride from the MSC fountain at 5:30 p.m.

THURSDAY
HORSEMAN'S ASSOCIATION meets at 7:30 p.m. in rm. 215 of the AI bldg.

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING STUDENT WIVES CLUB meets in the Blue Flame Room of Lone Star Gas Co. at 201 E. 27th St. at 7:30 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL COMMUNICATIONS CLUB at 7:15 p.m. in the lobby of Rudder Tower for Aggie-land picture.

THE OPERA AND PERFORMING ARTS SOCIETY

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Applications for membership and officer positions are available in the Student Programs Office, Room 216, MSC, and will be accepted until 5:00 PM Friday, April 4. After completing the forms please schedule an interview with the Student Programs Office secretaries.

To answer questions, call either the Student Programs Office at 845-1515 or Cindy Murray at 846-5102.

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