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Another \$141,000 from the 1977 funds could be used for rehabilitation, Calloway said. The money is needed, but not yet contracted, for street construction projects. City officials are also working on a subsidy plan in conjunction with the Brazos Valley Development Council.
Delwin Rhode, rural housing coordinator for the BVDC, said HUD promised to rule on an application for rent subsidy funds by Friday. The 150 "assistance units" applied for would be divided on a pro-rata basis among Brazos, Leon, Grimes, Madison, and Washington counties, Rhode said.
Brazos County is scheduled to receive 97 subsidies, Rhode said. College Station tenants could receive one of the subsidies.
Should the BVDC application be rejected, HUD will still expect College Station to provide some form of assistance, Danford said.
The College Station officials inquired about all aspects of forming a housing authority, such as optimum population basis among Brazos, Leon, Grimes, Madison, and Washington counties, Rhode said. Housing authorities build, own, maintain and manage low-income housing.

As for actually forming a housing authority, "We don't know where we're going yet," Mayor Bravenec said. In the past, the city council has opposed plans that call for the construction of additional low-income property.
The city council doesn't want to create new concentrations of low-income households, Calloway said. That could be creating more of the very same problem they are seeking to correct, he said.
Jack Stark, a lawyer for HUD, said that a privately owned housing assistance program would be just as acceptable to HUD as a housing authority. But he commented that "it is difficult to motivate the private sector to come up with a successful public housing project."
The city has to fulfill its housing obligations, whether by forming a housing authority or getting a private assistance program, Stark said.
College Station will have two chances to show HUD that it is making "substantial progress." The first comes on Feb. 28, the city's deadline for turning in its 1978 grantee performance report.
Even though the city didn't receive the 1978 CD funds, it must still file a grantee performance report explaining what it has done with leftover funds from previous years.

College Station's second chance will be after the city applies for the 1977 CD block grant, which must be done by April 7. When HUD receives the application, it will send a group of officials, including environmental and equal opportunity representatives, on a two-day "comprehensive monitoring trip," Danford said.
HUD will approve or reject the application by June 21.
Councilman Gary Halter said College Station could have avoided losing the CD block grant funds in the first place by rehabilitating some houses in low-income neighborhoods. The city started to do so, he said, but the residents wanted their streets rebuilt instead.
"They were tired of driving in the mud," Halter said.
Though HUD requires a city to get public input on the spending of CD funds, Halter said College Station probably had listened to the public too much. The housing rehabilitation was "something we should have done a long time ago" to keep HUD happy, Councilman Halter said.
College Station had for 14 months a rent subsidy plan similar to one

the BVDC is proposing, Calloway said. But the city's plan was closed down because it could not interest applicants.
The problem, Calloway said, was that the HUD fair market rent schedule was unrealistically low for the College Station market.
"The applicants lost interest when they heard the rent levels because they knew what they would find at that rent level," Calloway said.
Even before the program started, the city told HUD that the rent schedule was too low. But HUD urged the city to start at that schedule, Calloway said.
During regular contact with HUD, city officials continued to say that the schedule was too low and that the program wasn't working, Calloway said. HUD discussed with the city raising the schedule 20 percent, but was told that that wasn't near enough, he said.
At the end of the 1977 fiscal year, the rent subsidy plan was summarily shut down since it had been ineffective, Calloway said. Several months later, HUD increased the area-wide rent levels, he said, but College Station wasn't eligible to re-start the program.

Highway 30, Texas

State may help traffic flow

By DANNA RICHEY
Battalion Reporter
A proposal for improving the intersection at Highway 30 and Texas Avenue was considered by College Station city council members Thursday night.
The intersection improvements are part of the new Brazos County-Bryan-College Station Traffic Engineering Plan that was presented to the council in a special session Sept. 13. City Manager North Bardell said that if the proposal is accepted by the city, construction may begin in October 1979.
The proposal includes the construction of a high type-T intersection at Highway 30 and Texas Avenue and installations of computerized traffic signals. The high type-T intersection design will provide extra lanes on Texas Avenue and Highway 30 specifically for left turns. Traffic passing through the intersection will not be stopped to allow other vehicles to turn left.

A spokesman for the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation said the highway improvements are designed to accommodate increasing southbound traffic on Texas Avenue. He also said the computerized signal plan will provide an improved continuous traffic flow along Texas Avenue.
The council also considered a preliminary plan for the development of Timber Ridge located between Dominik Drive, Munson Avenue and Plantation Oaks Drive. The development will consist of both duplexes and single family residences.
Councilman Anne Hazen expressed concern for pedestrian and bicycle traffic in that area. She said there are no sidewalks or bike paths other than a foot trail, which would be eliminated by development. Hazen said the developers should provide some type of facilities for the pedestrians and cyclists to keep them off Highway 30.
In other business, the council accepted a bid of \$34,369 by Young Brothers Inc. for the construction of a parking lot at the College Station Police Department. The job will take about 35 days to complete, but no construction starting date has been set.



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Refuge awaiting last whoopers

United Press International
MUSTWELL, — Wildlife officials here expect the world's last 70 whooping cranes to arrive at the Aransas National Wildlife Refuge this week.
"We're expecting them at any time," Ken Butts, an official at the refuge nestled on the Texas coast, said Wednesday.
The autumn arrival of the whooping crane — a spectacular bird standing 5 feet tall and having a wing span when full grown — nationally brews excitement along isolated salt marshes of the refuge.
"The mystique has grown up around the drama of the whooping crane's struggle for survival. Butts said more than 100,000 people — two-thirds of the refuge's annual visitors are expected to tour the area in

hopes of snatching a glimpse of the birds before they return to their Canadian nesting homes in March.
Only a few more than a 100 whoopers have survived from the thousands which once reportedly darkened the skies in their seasonal migrations.
A few dozen live restricted, but protected, lives at the Migratory Bird Research Center at Pautuxet, Md., and in zoos. Another young flock of nine birds is being reared by "foster parent" sandhill cranes in Idaho. The rest call Texas home.
"We've got practically all of the wild flock. Last year we had a total of 70 that survived the winter," Butts said. "Nine young and 61 adults — which was up only one from the year before."
"The year before we had 57 adults and 12 young. So we're hanging around 70. But this year we're hop-

ing we'll get up around 75 or 80. We're supposed to have eight young heading south this year."
The whooping crane, North America's tallest bird, almost disappeared as a species in the late 1800s, diminishing to only 15 in 1883 when they were hunted for sport and farmers and ranchers cleared their nesting grounds.
They hovered on the brink of extinction for more than a half century. A smaller flock that migrated to Southern Louisiana was decimated by a hurricane in the 1940s.
In 1951, the Texas flock again numbered 15, but since then the whooping crane population has been on a slow upswing.
Butts said whooping crane flocks are slow to replenish because whooper couples will not breed until they are 4 to 6 years old and normally will raise only one chick, "so

you don't regain big numbers at that rate."
Ida, the first of New Mexico's nine adopted whoopers, arrived this week near Bosque Del Apa y N.M., after spending most of the year in Idaho.
The cranes are not hard to find at Aransas and tourists can view them from either an observation tower or from boats that pass close to their feeding areas.
Refuge officials, however, warn tourists that the whoopers have an absolute distrust of humans — which does not seem all that surprising considering their previous run-ins with people — and will fly away if anyone steps from the boats into the marsh.
They also give voice to a call that has given the crane its name. The loud "whoop" is produced by a 5-foot-long trachea coiled behind the bird's breastbone.

Cardinals move closer to choosing new pope

United Press International
VATICAN CITY — The Roman Catholic cardinals who will choose a successor to the late Pope John Paul say they have narrowed their choices and are debating the specific merits of a small group of candidates.
Church sources and statements of the cardinals themselves indicate 11 cardinals are moving toward consensus: they want a theological conservative who values traditional doctrine and discipline, as well as a

man who can control the unwieldy Vatican bureaucracy.
American Cardinals John Dearden of Detroit and John Carberry of St. Louis admitted Wednesday that discussions about specific papal candidates were under way.
"Once in a while a name comes up in a friendly way," Carberry said. "We are all trying to enrich our understanding," he said.
Church experts say two cardinals among the papal candidates who fit that mold are Giuseppe Siri, 72, arch-

bishop of Genoa and 25 years a cardinal, and Pericle Felici, 67, prefect of the Vatican Court of Appeals.
The experts cautioned, however, that Cardinal Giovanni Benelli, the powerful former Vatican diplomat most instrumental in electing John Paul, could not be counted out.
Also being considered were the so-called "pastoral" candidates: Cardinal Corrado Ursi, 70, archbishop of Naples, and Cardinal Salvatore Pappalardo, 60, archbishop of Palermo, Sicily.

Pappalardo and Ursi were most often mentioned as successors to Pope John Paul immediately after the late pontiff's death, when the newly arriving cardinals said they wanted another pastoral pontiff to lead the church.
However, after two weeks of formal discussions at the Vatican and a weekend of informal and frank talks, the cardinals have been pointing more toward a capable administrator than a pastoral archbishop.

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