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City Council OKs annexation

By DEBBIE NELSON

The College Station City Council voted 5-1 Monday to adopt a resolution beginning annexation proceedings of nearly 300 acres east of the city.

Only Councilman James Dozier

voiced opposition: "I agree that this property will eventually come into the city, but I don't think this is the time to do it."

At past public hearings on the annexation, residents of the property have raised lengthy emotional protests. They have said becoming part of the city will destroy their community atmosphere and limit their freedom.

Monday's resolution discussion and adoption took only five minutes, as it was the only agenda item at the special council meeting.

An ordinance to annex the property will be up for approval at the Sept. 25 council meeting.

The two tracts proposed for annexation are: 1) a 214-acre tract bounded by FM 158, SH 30 and the present east city limits line common with the east property line of the 250-acre Texas Instruments tract and 2) an 80-acre strip of land adjacent and south of SH 30 from FM 158 to the city limits line on Carter Creek.

When asked after the meeting if angry residents could sue College Station, City Attorney Lowell Denton said "nobody would be successful" because he feels the ordinance will be properly drafted and annexation is completely within the law.

Residents have had a chance to voice opposition at numerous meet-

ings of the city council and the planning and zoning commission.

Mayor Cary Halter said many of the people who spoke out at past meetings did not actually live on the property considered for annexation, but in the adjoining Harvey community. Also, Halter said, residents opposed to annexation speak out more openly than those in favor of it.

City officials have said annexation would protect the area from unplanned development from the adjoining Texas Instruments tract. Also, they said residents of the rural area already use College Station parks, fire and ambulance services without paying city taxes.

Driver dozes, bumps 3 cars

A Texas A&M University student fell asleep while driving to class Monday and hit three cars parked next to the University Police Station. No one was injured.

Freshman Mike Stephenson was

driving west on Jersey Street when his car sideswiped a parked University Police car and then hit the rear bumper of another parked car, knocking it up on the curb and into a pickup truck parked in front of it.

There was nothing to indicate Stephenson was exceeding the 40-mph speed limit when the accident occurred, a University Police spokesman said.



Council puts off decision

By CATHY SAATHOFF

The Memorial Student Center Council Monday night put off until its next meeting a proposal to let the MSC Directorate review all proposals sent to the Council.

Sara Morse, vice president of programs for the Council, recommended acceptance of the proposal, which was opposed 6-4 by the Council. The proposal would have allowed the Directorate to express an opinion to the Council on all actions forwarded to it.

Council members were concerned about the long-term effects of the move on Council and Directorate organization.

Keith Shurtleff, vice president of finance, expressed concern about the time lag between Directorate and Council meetings. The Directorate meets one week before the Council.

Some proposals come in during that week, Shurtleff said, and the committees wishing to forward proposals might not have enough time to prepare them if they had to go before the Directorate.

Morse argued that the set-up might save time if errors and scheduling conflicts were eliminated before being sent to the Council.

Through a technicality in parliamentary procedure, Morse moved that the Council reconsider the proposal at its next meeting on Oct. 13.

The Council decided after much discussion that the Council Reorganization Committee, which is studying a reworking of the Council, should also consider the proposal.

The Council also approved a motion to fund the first phase of MSC Basement renovation with money from the MSC Reserve Fund. Requests for funding for the MSC Outdoor Recreation Committee's proposed equipment storage facility and the second phase of the Basement renovation will go to Vice President for Student Services Dr. John Koldus.

The ORC project calls for a building to the left of the Grove stage. It would house equipment for ORC, the MSC Recreation Committee, MSC Bicycle Rental and Repair Program, MSC Roller Skate Rental Program, MSC Automotive Tool Rental Program, Texas A&M Outdoor Institute, the Sailing Club, the Scuba Club and the Caving Club.

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Aerobics class goal: fitness, not fatness

Three aerobics classes are being offered this fall by the Department of Health and Physical Education, coordinator George Jessup announced.

The classes, for men and women in the Bryan-College Station community, will introduce individuals to the importance of health maintenance through diet and aerobic exercise, he said.

An aerobics class for men and women who wish to improve their cardiovascular fitness meets from noon to 1 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Activities include bicycling, walking and jogging, aimed at decreasing body fat through exercise and improved dietary habits. The cost is \$35 per semester.

Dancercise, for those who enjoy exercising to music, is offered from noon to 1 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Included in the new program are pre-dance stretching, figure toning, slimmastics and aerobic workouts including various dance steps and movements. To insure ample room Jessup said the class is limited to 25 students. The cost is \$20 per semester.

Another aerobics class is offered from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday for men and women who are unable to attend the noon sessions. The cost per semester is \$45.

Persons interested in participating should contact the Department of Health and Physical Education by calling 845-6841. Class enrollments are limited.

The classes began Sept. 8, but individuals may sign up any time during the semester until the enrollment limits are met, Jessup said. The prices will be adjusted for late registrants, he said.

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