

Livability problem under study

Housing and commercial development in the West University area will be studied by the City Planning Commission as a result of the West University Neighborhood Association's concern for the preservation of the residential characteristics of the area.

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"The problem of livability has been going on for a long time," said John Porter of the commission. Porter is advising an ad hoc committee in preparing proposals which would prevent the building of offices, parking lots and other commercial buildings in the area. The committee hopes to have workable proposals prepared by next year.

One tentative proposal is to create a conditional use requirement, which would only allow certain kinds of construction in the area.

Another possible plan is to begin a site review process. Under this process, public hear-

ings would be held to give persons living in the area the opportunity to comment on construction proposals. Porter said the site review proposal is "new to Eugene" because there has never been a blanket site review process before.

But the proposals for slowing commercial use of the area is, according to Porter, contrary to the city's long-range plans.

Porter says because of the large student population and the large number of University employees, the West University area has been designated as a high-density residential area by the city. How to maintain livability in a high density area is "the toughest nut to crack in the way of planning in Eugene," says Porter.

"It is a good idea, but we're trying to find out how to do it," said Porter.

Porter says one important thing is to "look at what usage should be permitted." Porter says the city planners are "serious about it at the staff level and are trying to do more than pay lip service to the neighbors."

Bad housing conditions in the West University area are another problem Porter cited. These conditions are caused by students converting and overcrowding houses, according to Porter. He feels that housing improvements are important in order to preserve the livability of the area.

Asked if housing improvements would increase rents in the area, Porter said it is possible but added that health and safety standards "have a greater value than low rents."

But Porter feels rents may actually be lowered since there would be less commercial activity in the area and less speculation by owners.

He feels the most important thing is to give "more stability" to the area.

Delegate votes tallied

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here are delegate votes by candidate based on binding requirements or stated preferences of delegates selected so far for the national party nominating conventions:

Republican:	
Ford	283
Reagan	236
Uncommitted	329
Total chosen to date	848
Yet to be chosen	1,411
Needed to nominate:	1,130
Democratic:	
Carter	447
Jackson	196
Udall	175
Wallace	113
Humphrey	42
Shapp	18
Harris	18
Favorite Son	91
Other	8
Uncommitted	242
Total chosen to date	1,350

Yet to be chosen 1,658
Needed to nominate: 1,505

Republican totals are based on completed delegate selection in Arizona, Florida, Maine, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Wisconsin, District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, and partial delegate selection in Illinois, Minnesota, and Texas.

Democratic totals are based on completed delegate selection in Alaska, Arizona, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Wisconsin, Canal Zone and Virgin Islands, and partial delegate selection in Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Texas and Puerto Rico.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION UNIVERSITY OF OREGON BOOKSTORE, INC.

ARTICLE VIII IS HEREBY AMENDED IN ITS ENTIRETY TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

(a) The Board of Directors shall consist of ten (10) members of the Corporation as follows:

All candidates shall, at the time they stand for election, be Undergraduate Students, Graduate Students, or members of the Faculty, respectively. Five (5) members shall be Undergraduate Students; one (1) member shall be a Student-at-Large, either Undergraduate or Graduate; two (2) members shall be Graduate Students; and two (2) members shall be from the Faculty.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (c) below, all members shall be elected to serve a term of two (2) years, and the membership shall elect one (1) Freshman each odd-numbered year, two (2) Sophomores each year, one (1) Student-at-Large (either Undergraduate or Graduate) each even-numbered year, one (1) Graduate Student each year, and one (1) member of the Faculty each year.

(c) Upon the years indicated below, Board Members shall be elected for terms as follows:

FRESHMEN

1976	one member — 1-year term
1977	one member — 2-year term
1978	None
1979	one member — 2-year term
Thereafter	one member — each odd year for a 2-year term

SOPHOMORES

1976	two members — 2-year term
1977	two members — 2-year term
Thereafter	two members — each year for a 2-year term

STUDENTS-AT-LARGE

1976	one member — 1-year term
1977	one member — 1-year term
1978	one member — 2-year term
1979	None
1980	one member — 2-year term
Thereafter	one member — each even year for a 2-year term

GRADUATE STUDENTS

1976	two members — 1-year term
1977	one member — 1-year term*
1978	one member — 2-year term**
Thereafter	one member — each year for a 2-year term

FACULTY

1976	one member — 2-year term
1977	one member — 2-year term
Thereafter	one member — each year for a 2-year term

*Candidate receiving second highest number of votes cast.

**Candidate receiving the highest number of votes cast.

VOTING AT BOOKSTORE MAY 3-7

Tantric Yoga:

Sikhs, leader set courses, lectures

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"In the West, tantric yoga has been misunderstood to simply mean a male-female sexual union," said Viriam, a member of the local Sikhs (pronounced Seekers).

Viriam, dressed completely in white except for the blue stripes on his track shoes, was discussing a tantric yoga course to be led by Yogi Bhajan next weekend.

"Tantric yoga literally means the union of opposites," said Vir-

said that tantric yoga is "never taught, it's never learned, it's experienced."

Bhajan is the Mahan Tantric, (mahan meaning great or big) and as such is the only person on the earth at this time who is recognized by the Sikhs to be a qualified leader of tantric yoga. Viriam said tantric yoga can only be practiced through Yogi Bhajan's direction.

A veteran of eight tantric courses led by Bhajan, Viriam talked about his experience. "The intuitive understanding — the vision of consciousness that it gives you is incredibly applicable to your life. It's not an abstract,

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iam. "As we live our life and study life we naturally evolve around two polar opposites manifested in every aspect of the universe. Black-white. Male-female. The duality of creation."

Viriam continued, "Human existence evolves around trying to understand this dichotomy, this polarity. The beauty is that within the polarity, there is also a union — a neutrality that we call consciousness. This union is called tantra.

"Tantric yoga is a means to gain access to that neutrality, to re-experience that point—that tantra — from which all polarities come," Viriam said.

In explaining Yogi Bhajans' role in the tantric sessions, Viriam

philosophical thing that happens. It's a concrete shift in emphasis that lets you experience that one song of creation," he said.

The course runs May 7, 8 and 9 at the Knights of Pythias Hall, 420 W. 12th Ave. The sessions will run from 7 to 11 p.m. Friday and from noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The cost is \$24 a day or \$54 for the whole course.

Viriam suggested that participants dress casually and bring a pad or cushion with them. He said that it is not necessary to come with a partner.

Bhajan will also be giving a lecture, "Meditation and Mental Health," in the EMU at 7 p.m. Thursday, room to be posted. The cost of the lecture is \$4 for the general public and \$3 for students.