

# Friedman Reveals Plan For Reworking Budget

Mayor Jeff Friedman released his plan for reworking this year's \$219 million city operating budget Monday, keeping a proposed 7 per cent city employe pay increase intact and leaving a "bare minimum" year-end balance of \$200,000.

Friedman made it clear in his letter to City Council members that the across-the-board cost of living pay increase recommended by the city staff in the original budget document would be included in any recommendations he made.

The original budget was submitted Aug. 14, and final decision on it and any proposed revision is scheduled for Thursday's City Council meeting.

City Budget Director Joe Liro said the fiscal "cushion" which was left after the addition of nearly \$2.5 million in programs was the lowest he could sanction. City staff recommendations are for a \$300,000 balance.

This cushion was the city's "insurance policy" against unforeseen expenses or unanticipated changes in state funding for programs that depended on it, Liro explained.

Among the dominant features of the mayor's revised budget is a \$1.4 million sum allocated for community service programs. This figure contrasts with the \$2.2 million originally requested by com-

munity service agencies, the \$1.1 million subsequently recommended by the Community Development Commission and the \$900,000 recommended by the Research and Budget Office.

Part of the \$1.4 million figure Friedman is proposing — nearly \$314,000 — would go to Austin/Travis County Mental Health-Mental Retardation, with \$63,000 of that amount earmarked for the Austin Child Guidance Center, the Austin Association for Retarded Citizens' "Camp Horizon" and Hotline (a telephone counseling service.)

The mayor's plan also recommends allocating \$63,500 for a professional consulting firm to finalize the Lake Austin Development Plan — which staff recommendations had stated for in-house completion — and includes provisions for a Business Inventory Program to "insure that the city is receiving all tax dollars from businesses of Austin."

To fund these additional programs, Friedman is suggesting that the gross receipts tax levied against Southwestern Bell be doubled and that an additional \$100,000 be collected from Planning Department zoning fees, building inspection fees, swimming pool fees and tennis center fees.

# Law Students To Discuss Rogers

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Texan Staff Writer

A special gathering of the law school general assembly will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Townes Hall Auditorium to decide whether it will join those demanding a resigna-

tion from President Lorene Rogers.

The gist of the meeting will be to discuss the appointment of Rogers without recommendation of the Faculty/Student Advisory Committee, said a spokesman for the Student Bar Association (SBA), sponsor of the assembly.

Effects on the law school and legal education in general stemming from the regental action also will be discussed, as well as other problems involved with the refusal of the

regents to allow student-faculty input into governing decisions of the University.

Speaking at the general assembly will be Law Dean Ernest Smith, SBA president Darwin McKee and Student Sen. Jim Coronado.

Smith will give a factual background of the presidential selection process.

Similar issues will be discussed during a meeting, limited to law school faculty, at 5 p.m. Wednesday. "We will discuss how the faculty generally feels about the selection and hope to get some sense of their reaction," Smith said.

Although he said a demand for Rogers' resignation could conceivably emerge from the meeting, he added, "No one has circulated any formal petition to that effect, and I would really be quite sur-

prised if such an action were taken."

The main faculty concern over the regents' decision, Smith said, is the unfavorable publicity arising from the controversy and how it might affect the recruitment of new faculty. "We will probably decide what steps we could take to counteract that reaction," he said.

Several faculty members of the law school reportedly wrote letters to the Board of Regents recommending that Rogers not be appointed president. Upon her selection, these faculty members are worried that their views may be used against them sometime in the future.

Smith said he was unaware of such faculty letters and fears, but added, "I would hope those fears are unfounded."

# County Officials Planning Voter Registration Drive

An extensive program of reregistration for Austin voters will begin immediately after the Nov. 4 election, Fritz Robinson, county registrar, said Monday.

Registration renewal forms will be sent to voters from Nov. 5 to Dec. 15 and must be returned to the registrar's office before March 1, Robinson said.

Under Senate Bill 300, which was passed last February, all voters must reregister annually to vote.

Robinson said he favors the new law because it helps his office "keep a true voter's list."

"We can tell about people who shouldn't be on the roll," he explained. "For example, if they find someone registered in Dallas County and in Travis County, we will contact that person and find out where they're supposed to be registered."

Although new Travis County voters will not have to reregister this year, Robinson said their registration must be effective by Oct. 3 to be allowed to vote in the Nov. 4 election.

Persons registering after that date will not be allowed to vote because of a state law requiring at least one month's residence prior to elections, he said.

# UTYDs To Hear Mayor Today

Mayor Jeff Friedman will speak to the University Young Democrats in Calhoun Hall 100 at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Young Democrat President Erwin McGee said Friedman will speak on the MoPac controversy, the new marijuana

regulations, the University street plan, the Capital Improvements Program budget, the city operating budget and the Drag Vendors referendum. McGee anticipates an hour talk by Friedman followed by a question and answer period.

State Comptroller Bob Bullock is scheduled to address the Young Democrats in October. McGee said other speakers will include State Representatives Gonzalo Barrientos, Wilhelmina Delco, Ronnie Earle, Sarah Weddington and State Sen. Lloyd Doggett.

# TCU Students Displeased

A resolution which voiced opposition to the appointment of Lorene Rogers as University of Texas president was adopted by the Texas Christian University House of Student Representatives at a Sept. 16 meeting.

The resolution threw its support to the Student and Faculty Senates and "expressed extreme displeasure with the Board of Regents' lack of regard for student and faculty opinion" in selection Rogers. A copy of the measure was sent to the TCU

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