City council campus session discusses Cooper proposals

By Bob Dillard

The Arlington City Council meeting Tuesday night at University Hall was an "historic session," according to Mayor Tom Vandergriff, who suggested the meeting become a yearly custom.

"We are fortunate to be gathered on a great campus," said Vandergriff. "It has been a most pleasant

Homecoming

FRIDAY

- 7:30-11 p.m. Spirit March will begin at corner of Sigma Phi Epsilon house, ending at Maverick Village.
- Pep rally at Maverick Village following Spirit March.
- Keg party following pep rally. Place to be announced at rally.
- 6:30 and 9 p.m. Movie. "The Candidate." Texas Hall. 75 cents.

SATURDAY

- 9 a.m. Alumni breakfast. Ramada Inn Parkway. \$2 for members.
 \$3.50 for nonmembers. Rush Robinson to provide background piano entertainment. New officers to be installed.
- 10 a.m.-2 p.m. WBAP live broadcast of game from south entrance of Arlington Stadium. Stop by and be interviewed. Free albums.
- 2 p.m. Homecoming game. UTA vs. Western Michigan. Arlington Stadium. Distinguished alumni to be presented during halftime.
- 4:30 p.m. After-game champagne reception sponsored by Alumni Association, open to ex-students and guests. Ramada Inn Parkway.
- 8-12 p.m. Homecoming dance. Villa Inn. Tickets \$1.50.

experience for us."

Following the meeting, council member Dr. Wick Alexander said he felt an urgency to resolve the UTA traffic-pedestrian problem on Cooper Street.

He referred to the problem as a "multi-headed situation" involving the state highway department, the university and the city.

"While open for negotiations," he said, "I am ready to vote now for depressing Cooper Street through the campus."

Councilman Ralph Shelton said he also favored depressing the major thoroughfare as opposed to rerouting it.

The depression concept has received tentative opposition from UTA administrators. Dudley Wetsel, vice president for business affairs, has stated flatly, that "we don't want to depress Cooper Street."

Both the reroute and depression proposals are being reviewed by the UT Board of Regents. An official recommendation is expected in December or early January.

Vandergriff said that while Cooper Street is needed as a crosstown artery, "we must alleviate the pedestrian traffic on Cooper altogether as soon as possible."