

Near Pontiac football stadium

Road proposal may be delayed

By ROBERT KIPPER

OAKLAND COUNTY—Widening of Opdyke Road in front of the Pontiac football stadium won't likely begin until after the first exhibition football game in August, if at all.

Two of the three county road commissioners, frustrated by the unwillingness of other governmental units to pledge matching funds to the project, threatened to delay ordering steel for the project which alone would delay widening.

The road commission has pledged \$500,000 to the Opdyke widening but was unable to get formal com-

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mitments from others to provide the additional \$500,000 needed for the project.

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners is considering giving \$250,000, although no official action has been taken. Two other potential sources, the Pontiac Stadium Building

Authority and Pontiac Township, have been silent.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS William Richards and Fred Harris said they would postpone ordering steel Tuesday if formal pledges for the matching \$500,000 were not received by that time.

Steel, which must be ordered months ahead of construction, would be used for the expansion of the bridge where Opdyke crosses the Clinton River in the vicinity of the stadium.

If steel isn't ordered by Tuesday, there is no way road work can be completed for the opening football game, according to John Dorman, road commission spokesman.

THE TRAFFIC situation around the stadium is expected to be so bad at game time that even with the Opdyke widening as much as a five hour wait to clear the parking lot is anticipated.

Plans scaled back for lottery jobs

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OAKLAND COUNTY—In an effort to guarantee fairness in summer job hiring practices, county commissioners inadvertently may have scaled back plans to dispense many summer jobs through an impartial lottery system.

A proposal aimed at reducing nepotism by placing relatives and friends of county employees on a more equal footing with other job applicants was amended in a way that will restore former hiring practices for many of the jobs.

In the past the county was criticized for crowding the summer payroll with relatives. With hiring done at the discretion of county division heads, last

year 60 relatives worked for the county and 64 the year before.

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The assurances that lotteries would be used whenever possible were mostly verbal, however, and Thursday, when the summer job policy was discussed by the county board of commis-

sioners, a number of commissioners wanted to guarantee that some jobs would be filled through a lottery.

Commissioners voted to fill all laborer positions that way. These account for roughly 120 of the 200-300 summer jobs.

Without the commission intervention Murphy said more summer

jobs would have been filled with lotteries.

THE COUNTY will advertise this month for summer applicants.

Due to the economic situation, John Witherspoon, personnel director, expects as many as 30 applicants for every available job.

Library expands investment section

To better serve the community's needs for investment information, a collection of corporate annual reports of Michigan-based companies has been added to the investment services of the Bloomfield Township Public Library.

The new collection, which now contains about 100 annual reports, supplements the library's basic file of more than 750 annual reports of major companies, including the "Fortune 500."

"The new collection is a special service developed by the library to provide information for investors and students which is not readily available in any other way," explained Beth Bernberger, head of the reference room.

THE LIBRARY'S investment information section comprises a broad range of services and materials. In-

cluded are Standard & Poor's Corporate Records, Daily News, Industry Surveys and The Outlook, Moody's Annual Dividend Record and Handbook of Common Stocks; The Value Line Investment Survey; and Poor's Register of Directors and Executives.

Also, Dun and Bradstreet Middle Market Directory and Million Dollar Directory; Wisniewski's Investment Companies; and the Funk & Scott Index of Corporations & Industries. Periodicals and newspapers include The Wall Street Journal, Barron's National Business & Financial Weekly, The Wall Street Transcript, Business Week, Fortune, Forbes, Financial World, and Dun's Review.

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