Committee Chairman Barry Alford (right) said the poor turnout at a SGA public hearing on the Green Street proposal Wednesday left him "fairly disappointed."

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A poor turnout marked the public hearing called Wednesday by the special Student Government Association (SGA) committee investigating proposals for Green, Sumter and Bull Streets. Barry Alford, committee chairman, said he was "fairly disappointed at the response." Approximately 25 to 30 persons attended the hearing. While the discussion at the hearing covered a wide range of proposals for the streets, two opinions appeared to be universally held by those in attendance: the plan to widen Green Street and add a median should be dropped, and the plan to close the west lane of Sumter Street around Longstreet Theater should be implemented by the University.

The Green Street problem was the central issue at the hearing. "The administration is on record as wanting Green Street closed," said Vice President for Operations Harold Brunton. "But there is no possibility at the present time to close the street," he added.

Brunton spoke in reference to the 1974 Campco Inc. study that concluded that Green Street should not be closed from 4 to 7 p.m. The study was sent to Columbia City Council when it was investigating the Green Street situation last year. "CITY COUNCIL is a political situation," Brunton said. "If you (the students) could get one councilman to champion your position, you might have a chance of getting some action taken."

Brunton recommended.

Steve Brown, SGA attorney general, said he would look into Brunton's suggestion. Brown wants some mechanism set up to close Green Street except between 4 and 7 p.m., following the Camco study. He feels city council would pass such a proposal.

Alford said his committee would now work from the premise that Green Street will stay as it is. Alford said he wants brick crosswalks built in the street to distinctly mark pedestrian crossing areas. He also favors burying the utility lines along Green Street.

Alford's proposals follow the administration's desire "to beautify and increase safety" on Green Street. Other suggestions made at the hearing included using flashing red lights, posting speed-limit signs, reducing the speed limit from 35 to 15 m.p.h. and to get the campus Green Street area designated as a school zone, subject to a 25 m.p.h. speed limit.

Danny Sansbury, a committee member, made a proposal to improve the area between the curb and the sidewalk by planting small trees or shrubs along Green Street as a barrier to jay-walking students. Sansbury also suggested constructing a sitting wall along the street. He said sitting walls in other areas have been successful.

Brown also mentioned the problem of the intersection at Bull and Green Streets. He proposed restoring the traffic light that has not been used.

Few students attend Green St. hearing

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library opening

Library opening delayed

From news releases

Opening of the University's central library will be delayed until the end of the spring semester because work on the building will not be completed in time for a planned January opening.

The University Library Committee and the Library Building Committee voted this week in favor of the delay and the University's administration has concurred in the decision.

"The Committee felt that the building should be an complete as possible before it is occupied by faculty, staff and students," said Kenneth E. Toombs, director of the University Libraries.

Toombs said the most immediate problem at the new library is that the company manufacturing and installing metal shelving closed in September and it is not known whether it can complete the work.

The two committees, which met Monday voted unanimously to delay the move into the new facility until the end of the spring semester.

Faculty Athletic Chairman Dr. John F. Willenborg (right), said USC has obtained the sponsorship necessary to rejoin the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Official: USC has ACC sponsorship

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We gotta stop meeting like this!

Skateboarding has always been a favorite recreational pastime on the USC campus. These two students combine skill and graceful balance as they glide down the Bates House ramp.