

CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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MEMORANDUM



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

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TO: Mr. Joe Gentry, Parks Engineering
Miss Jimmie Mims, Assistant Director of Recreation

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks and
Recreation

SUBJECT: Eden Rag Company (Ira Street)

I am attaching for each of you a Xerox of a proposed Recreation Program to take place at the former Eden Rag Company building on Ira Street. I am asking Joe Gentry to coordinate all the improvements to the building and the surrounding land, and have already discussed some of this with Mr. Roland Ebright, Foreman of Adams Park. It will be necessary to ask Fred Shepherd to give us his opinion as soon as possible as to the practicality of moving certain pieces of superstructure in the warehouse section of the building. Also, Mr. Earl Landers advises that Pete Peterson, of the City Hall, has a number of spare plumbing fixtures we might use in replacing those vandalized. You should talk to Mr. Grady Butler, the Extension Area Manager of Sum-Mec, and discuss the particulars on the renovation of this building. Overtime is authorized through Range 46 for painters, carpenters, electricians, to get on this project immediately. Several trees will have to be removed, lights added to the field and general illumination (not professional athletic lights), utilities turned on, a telephone installed, etc. Please review the attached list.

Miss Mims, it is the City's wish to staff this facility as soon as practical and to supply the equipment on the attached list where possible. Please have your Recreation Coordinator or the Recreation Supervisor work closely with Mr. Butler. An excellent job has been done in organizing the Neighborhood Advisory Committee, and we should certainly lend an ear to their advice.

Finally, the first order of business will be to regrade and make playable the ball field to the north of the building and the construction of a ball field to the south of the building.

Mr. Butler can fill you in on this. A number of City officials have expressed personal interest in the success of this program and I



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appreciate their cooperation. The Optimist Club of Executive Park may vote to render certain assistance to us with this project and Mr. Johnny Robinson is currently contacting this group to determine what aid may be forthcoming.

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cc: Mr. R. Earl Landers, Mayor's Office ✓
Mr. Johnny Robinson, Community Development Coordinator
Mr. Grady Butler, Extension Area Manager,
Sum-Mec Extension Office
Mr. J. D. Chamblee, Parks Maintenance Superintendent
Mr. Pierce Whitley, Asst. Gen. Mgr. of Parks
Mr. Stanley T. Martin, Asst. Gen. Mgr. of Parks
Mr. Bob Johnson, Chief Electrician
Mr. Fred Shepherd, City Architect
Mr. Eddie McLemore, Recreation Supervisor
Mr. Ron Ransom, Recreation Coordinator