

July 17, 1969

Mr. Roy O. Elrod  
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Atlanta Civic Center  
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Dear Roy:

I was very disappointed to hear that the Municipal Buildings and Athletics Committee have taken an action, the effect of which is to prohibit the central staff of the Urban Corps Project from utilizing the available parking spaces at the Municipal Auditorium. I am especially disappointed that, not being aware that you were proposing to submit this question to the committee, I did not have an opportunity to discuss this matter with the committee chairman or members.

While I can well understand your proper concern regarding security, interference, etc., it is my feeling that there are some extremely important reasons why the city should do something more than is absolutely required of us for these students who are doing so much for the city. These are outstanding young people who will definitely be playing a leading part in this community in the future. It is difficult for us to explain to them that we are not a hidebound bureaucracy when we are unwilling to accomodate them on such a routine matter as this one.

Roy, I sincerely hope that this is not representative of the manner in which we work together to solve problems in the future. I had talked to you on July 7, and as a result was under the impression that you and I could work this out together.

I am looking forward to working with you in the future, and I am cognizant of the excellent job you are doing at the Civic Center. I want you to know that I stand ready and willing to assist you in anyway that I can at any time.

Very truly yours,

Dan Sweat, Jr.

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