A regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning and Development Committee of the Board of Aldermen was held on Friday, June 21, 1967 at 2:00 P. M. in Committee Room #2, Second Floor, City Hall.

The following Members were present:

Rodney Cook, Chairman E. Gregory Griggs John Flanigen Jack Summers Q. V. Williamson Charles Leftwich

Absent: George Cotsakis

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the following business was considered:

1. Initial review of the updated Land Use Plan.

This plan was on display for viewing. Also on display were supporting maps of various studies which furnished data for the updated Land Use Plan.

Pierce Mahony of the departmental staff, in presenting the updated Plan to the Committee, gave a background talk on the history of planning efforts in Atlanta, using 1958 as a reference point. Briefly summarized, he stated that then Atlanta began to get into comprehensive planning, as a result of urban renewal and annual recertification requirements of the Workable Program; in 1963 the Housing Code Compliance Program was initiated; in 1964 and '65 the City engaged in the Community Improvement Program; also in '65 as a result of the 1962 Highway Act and the Atlanta Area Transportation Study, an agreement was made among the City, State, Atlanta Region Metropolitan Planning Commission and the five county jurisdictions to initiate a study known as P-37. This is a Federally assisted program for making population and economic projections (for the AATS) throughout the metropolitan area for 1983, including Atlanta, of what the housing needs are and the number of jobs by three different categories - commercial, industrial and service. Mr. Mahony then stated that all of these studies and activities have furnished data for and have been incorporated into the updated Land Use Plan, projected to the year 1983. He briefly talked on past land use trends and what we envision in the future. Two important points emphasized by Mr. Mahony during his presentation was the lack of involvement and acceptance of the 1958 Plan and why, and the need for their (city officials) involvement and understanding of this one and why it should become their plan. As a part of the updated Land Use Plan, some emphasis has been placed upon increased space for industrial development and Mr. Mahony stated the planning staff is prepared to recommend that an "Industrial Development Program" be insituted

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by the City to secure industrial sites and develop them to fill a gap that is not now being met. Also, the updated Plan emphasized the need for higher residential density because of limited amounts of space, in effect, a policy of promoting high rise apartment buildings. Such a policy would make more land available for single family use.

There was then some discussion as to the status the Plan would have if adopted.

Mr. Cook stated "let's don't adopt this Plan and then not pay any attention to it; let's be serious about it and make it work".

Mr. Gladin stated the Plan is designed to prevent chaotic and disorganized development of the City; that it should be used as a guide, and he emphasized the word guide, in distributing anticipated growth of the City, however, he stressed that every action taken by aldermanic committees should be in consideration of and in conjunction with this Land Use Plan.

Mr. Mahony explained that after adoption of an overall Land Use Plan, the planning staff would proceed to develop detailed plans on a neighborhood-by-neighborhood basis.

After other discussion, it was unanimously agreed that the staff would make arrangements for every member of the Board of Aldermen to review this Land Use Plan, individually or small groups, and make any suggestions and recommendations they desired to prior to any official action by the Planning and Development Committee.

2. CIP Status Report.

George Aldridge reported that all CIP reports are completed, and/or are under completion; that following recent sessions of this Committee with the consultants, Candeub, Fleissig & Associates, they have been advised, by letter, to submit all final reports, with supporting documentation, as soon as possible, for review by the staff and this Committee as to contract conformity, utility and soundness of recommendations and whether the consultants will have to do additional work, prior to adoption of the Final CIP Report. Mr. Aldridge stated further it has been estimated an additional three months will be needed to close out the program and HUD officials have approved this extension; that it does not represent any increase in the cost of the program. He also said that all accepted documents will have to be submitted to HUD for approval, after which final contract payments would be made; following this would be the federal audit and consummation of the program.

As to action by this Committee today, Mr. Aldridge requested adoption of a Resolution concurring in the three months' extension.

Mr. Leftwich moved that a Resolution to this effect be adopted and prepared for submission to Council on Monday, July 3; this motion was seconded by Mr. Flanigen and carried unanimously.

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3. Set date for public hearing to consider petition for annexation.

Tom Shuttleworth of the departmental staff presented each committee member with background material on this proposed annexation, explaining it involved 47 lots located north of Jett Road. He pinpointed this on a map, and then certified to the committee that the petition for annexation qualified for a public hearing under the provisions for annexation as set forth by the Legislature and city ordinance and requested a date for said hearing.

The Committee unanimously voted to hold said public hearing on Friday, July 21, 1967 at 2:00 P. M.

4. Draft revision to Tree Ordinance.

Mr. Mahony presented each Committee member with a copy of the latest revisions to the Tree Ordinance. Chairman Cook commented it is substantially changed from the previous draft and Mr. Harkness of the departmental staff has worked closely with the Home Builders Association on the matter and has obtained their support, in principle.

After a cursory examination, it was unanimously agreed that the revisions would require further study, but that the Ordinance could be placed on first reading before Council on Monday, July 3 and referred back to the Planning and Development Committee for further study and formal action. It was suggested that if any committee member had any changes they wished to make in the Ordinance to please give them to the staff prior to the Monday Council meeting. It was also agreed that in the interim, a public hearing on the Tree Ordinance would be held by the Planning and Development Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 P. M.

Approved:

Collier Gladin, Planning Director

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Parks, Secretary