

EAST CENTRAL - BOULEVARD - SEPTEMBER 14, 1966

Recommendations for Emergency Action

- I. A number of youth in the Boulevard area do not approve of some of the methods being used to call attention to grievances, which have resulted in violence. Accordingly, they have organized themselves into the Boulevard Northeast Youth Council and would like to meet with some responsible City officials to discuss these grievances.
- II. Their immediate concern is in regard to recreation. Successes evidenced by the Summer Recreation Program and Playlots have inspired them to seek action. Several vacant lots on Boulevard offer possibilities of being used for such programs which should include facilities for dances, games and other types of entertainment.
- III. There is considerable concern also about funeral arrangements for Hulet Varner, Jr., the young man who was killed. The young people feel strongly that the public officials, as well as, the community should have an opportunity to join the family of the deceased in a mutual expression of grief.
- IV. The position of the family, especially the deceased youth's mother, in being able to provide an appropriate burial is in question and the interest taken in this matter is of importance.
- V. The members of the Youth Council would like to have badges to pin on new members and handbills to pass out which would show their interest in non-violence and good human relations.
- VI. It is recommended that integrated police squad cars be used in the area.

- VII. There should be an investigation of the Grady Hospital ambulance service which is reported to have failed to pick up the two Negro youth at first but took the white policeman. The results of the investigation should be publicized.
- VIII. Questions are also being raised as to why the doors of the Georgia Baptist Hospital which is nearby, were not opened to the Negro victims of the Saturday night shooting.
- IX. There are also questions as to why there are no reports on the condition of the second youth, the young man who was shot on Capitol Avenue and continued announcements and steps taken to bring about justice in both cases. The arrests of suspects have lessened the tension greatly and especially the frequent and wide-spread newscasts in regard thereto.