MINUTES ATLANTA CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION NOVEMBER 9, 1967

The regular meeting of the Atlanta Civic Design Commission was held Thursday, November 9, at 2 p.m., in Committee Room #4, City Hall, with the following members present:

Joseph S. Perrin, Chairman Mrs. Alvin M. Ferst, Secretary Harry J. Baldwin V. L. Calloway

Samuel I. Cooper John C. Gould Julian Harris H. King McCain

Guest present:

Howard Openshaw, Director of Redevelopment, Atlanta Housing Authority

Minutes of the October 26 meeting will be distributed during the following week, along with minutes of the November 9 meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Perrin stated that following the last meeting, he had talked to Alderman Millican who stated that action on the proposed bridge ordinance will be delayed until members of the Aldermanic Board and the ACDC can get together to exchange views about the purpose and provisions of the ordinance. Thus, the chairman presented a letter to be forwarded to Alderman Millican concerning a date for the groups to meet.

After informing Mr. Cecil Alexander that the ACDC was interested in seeing the preliminary plans of the "Platform City," Mr. Perrin stated that Mr. Alexander concurred that he will check with his associates and that the Commission will have the opportunity to review the project.

The chairman reported that a proposal for review has been received from Robert and Company, re the Forsyth-Broad-Walton Streets area, as referred to the Commission from Mr. Ray Nixon. The plans will be forwarded to Mr. Muldawer, chairman of the Design Review Committee, for review.

It was brought out that members of the Commission are frequently embarrassed when persons inquire about actions of the Commission relative to projects in the city, when the Commission has not been advised of the development of same. Thus, Mrs. Ferst suggested that another letter be designed, possibly signed by Mayor Allen, to be forwarded to various city departments, requesting that the ACDC be advised in advance of the development of important related issues.

The chairman also reported on the following correspondence:

- Letter of October 27 to Alderman Cook, forwarding ACDC's resolution concerning the Terminus area, as presented by Mr. Garrett and approved by the Commission at the October 26 meeting.
- 2. The Design Review Committee's report on the proposed Turnkey Public Housing Development at Hollywood Road, as forwarded to Mr. Matthew D. Bystry on October 27.

- 3. Letter of October 27 to Mayor Allen re recommendations to fill impending vacancies on the Commission.
- 4. Letter of November 2 to Mr. Herb Reese, extending thanks for preparing list of property owners of the Terminus area.
- 5. Letter of November 2 to Mr. Robert Bivens, extending thanks for inviting members of ACDC to meet with Central Atlanta Progress, Inc., on October 17.
- 6. Draft of letter to be forwarded to the Mayor's Office, recommending that Mr. John Portman be invited by letter from the Mayor to serve as the first member of a special resource and advisory committee of the ACDC.

OPENSHAW PRESENTATION:

Mr. Howard Openshaw, on behalf of the Urban Renewal Policy Committee for the Board of Aldermen, presented for review a proposal for a motel on Capitol Avenue, across from the Juvenile Court and Atlanta Stadium.

During the discussion of the proposed project, the question was posed if perhaps the City or State might need this parcel of land for future development. Members expressed concern relative to this proposal as it relates to the need for an overall master plan for the governmental groups.

These plans were retained by the Commission to be further studied by the Design Review Committee, and a written report submitted to the Atlanta Housing Authority.

SECRETARY REPORT:

Mrs. Ferst, Co-chairman of the Communications Committee, reported that she has talked with Mrs. Ann Moses in the Mayor's Office about her help in setting up better communications for the Commission with other related groups.

Mrs. Ferst reported that Ann Butler, Recording Secretary, will prepare a list of ACDC accomplishments from the minutes of previous ACDC meetings, and will set up a card file for the Commission's mailing list.

Mrs. Ferst submitted a list of persons whom Mr. Muldawer requested be invited to the December 14 meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. McCain, chairman of the Appearance & Sanitation Committee, presented information on a "rolling steel door" product to house garbage cans. During the ensuing conversation, members discussed problems faced by the city relative to sanitation and appearance. Mr. Calloway suggested that an ordinance is needed whereby a tenant, rather than only the owner of property concerned, could be held liable for violation of sanitation laws.

APJOURNMENT:

Mr. Perrin reminded the members that a special meeting may be called within the next few weeks concerning the bridge ordinance. He added that the December 14 meeting, to which the Terminus property owners and other persons concerned with the Terminus development are invited, will meet in the Aldermanic Chambers.

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

Ann Butler Recording Secretary