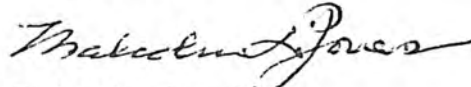


October 29, 1968

We hope that you will be able to attend the meeting on November 12. A return address postal card is enclosed for your convenience in informing us whether you expect to attend.

Sincerely,



Malcolm D. Jones
Housing Coordinator

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Encl: Return address postal card

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Thursday, October 24, 1968

5 Submit Bids On Urban Plan

96-Acre Community Center In Thomasville Section Planned

By PHIL GARNER

Bids for development of a 96-acre community in the Thomasville urban renewal area were opened by the Atlanta Housing Authority Thursday.

A total of five bids to buy the land and develop it was received.

The winning proposal will be chosen by out-of-town experts who were chosen for experience and accomplishments related to housing development. Their names will not be made public

by the housing authority until a winner has been chosen.

Bids submitted:

Pace Development Corp., of Atlanta, \$8.6 million. 215 0

Interfaith, Inc., of Atlanta, \$11.1 million. Interfaith, Inc., is an association of 19 Atlanta churches. 828 0

National Homes Corp., of Lafayette, Ind., \$8.7 million. 540 0

J. I. Kislak and Boise Cascade, both of Miami, a joint bid of \$11.5 million. 774 0

Vector Co., Inc., and Merton Development Co., both of Atlanta, a joint bid of \$11.6 million. 922 0

The proposals will be judged on architecture and development design rather than price.

HOWARD OPENSHAW, director of urban renewal for the Atlanta Housing Authority, told bidders the new approach to housing development will emphasize "an economic-social mix."

Atlanta is one of three U.S. cities receiving initial federal surplus land as a result of a directive from President Johnson last year that such land be diverted for use by the poor whenever possible.

The land consists of parcels BB1 and CC1 in the Thomasville urban renewal area.

The bid competition is for an entire community to include housing, education, recreation, commerce, streets and utilities.

A GOAL OF the development is to provide housing for a cross section of the social and economic groups of Atlanta.

No fewer than 3,000 units of the housing must be developed to assure its availability to families of the lowest income group.

Sites for two primary schools must be designated for use by the Atlanta Board of Education. A small retail commercial area will be developed to serve residents of the surrounding communities.

The names of the jury members, their occupations and the date on which they will meet are being kept secret by the housing authority to prevent pressure upon them, Mr. Openshaw said.

The housing authority, however, must make a final decision based on the jury's recommendation within 60 days, according to Mr. Openshaw.

Three Grants Help Cities Cut Pollution

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal Water Pollution Control Administration has approved three grants for Georgia totaling \$409,650.

Eatonton will get \$132,000 for construction of a waste water treatment plant and interceptor sewer. The total cost of the project is \$422,000.

Thomson will receive \$128,160 to help build a secondary sewage treatment plant, an interceptor sewer and a pumping station and force main. Total cost of the project is \$427,200.

The Clayton County Water Authority will get \$149,490 for construction of an interceptor sewer, which will cost \$462,000.

Rally Planned For Candidates At Briarlake

A "meet-the-candidate" rally for 15 subdivisions in the Briarcliff Elementary School area has been scheduled for Monday at 7:30 p.m.

The rally will be at the Briarlake Elementary School, Briarlake and LaVista Roads, President William E. Perrett of the Ponderosa Civic Association said.

James W. "Jim" Whipkey of WSB-TV will be master of ceremonies.

Among those invited to attend are E. Earl Patton Jr. and Herman E. Talmadge, U.S. Senate candidates; Ben B. Blackburn and James Mackay, candidates for U.S. representative; and DeKalb County legislative and commission candidates.