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May 2, 1969

Mr. J. Forrest Gee Purchasing Agent City of Atlanta City Hall Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Forrest:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 30, 1969 regarding the fire at Perkerson Park and my memorandum of April 24. As previously stated, we are extremely anxious to get back into operation at Perkerson Park at the earliest possible date and it has been determined that it would not be practical for the limited number of carpenters in this department to undertake the repair. Because of the time element in bidding, preparation of contracts, etc., I'm afraid the summer would be over before substantial repairs had been made.

Thus, we were delighted when informed by the insurance carrier that they would prefer to follow the policy currently used by the Atlanta School System in permitting the insurance carrier to bring in their own bonded contractor to do the work. Accordingly, I discussed this matter with my Chairman, as well as with Mr. Charles Davis and Mr. Earl Landers. All of these gentlemen agreed that the most practical thing to do is to allow the insurance company to engage a contractor. It did not occur to me that this proposed arrangement would have to be cleared by the Purchasing Committee since City funds were really not involved. Accordingly, with the approval of my Committee, I authorized Accurate Construction Company to start work on Perkerson Recreation building Tuesday, May 6, 1969. A Mr. Smith, of Accurate Construction Company, telephone 523-1986, will supply me Monday with a certificate of insurance protecting the City of Atlanta during the repair period itself.

We have prepared for the May 5th Board of Aldermen Meeting a resolution authorizing the City to allow its insurance carrier to engage a private construction firm. I hope and trust that our action is within the spirit and intent of Section 31-37 of the City Code, and I particularly appreciate your calling its provision to my attention.

Finally, we have entered a claim for fire loss on the contents of the building and there will be many dozens of items we will have to requisition for replacement purposes on an emergency basis.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius General Manager of Parks and Recreation

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