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HOUSING RESOURCES COMMITTEE

General Functions

1. Promote low and moderate income housing and facilitate its construction on an accelerated basis.
2. Bring together the various interests necessary to produce needed housing.
3. Insure that the human factors in housing are given full consideration.
4. Inform the public of the housing problems in Atlanta, efforts being made to alleviate them and progress made.

(The Housing Resources Committee office is located in Room 208, City Hall. It maintains liaison with builders, developers, City Departments and Federal Agencies, acts as a clearing house for information pertaining to low and moderate income housing, to include listing of known available sites and interested developers, coordinates committee activities and keeps the Mayor and Board of Aldermen informed as to progress of the program.)

Broad Functions of Respective Housing Resources Committee Panels

Suggested Functions

(Not necessarily limited to, but inclusive of, the following)
Panels are encouraged to use own initiative.

Business Participation and Finance

- a. Encourage active participation by the local business community in housing and to attract national interests into the Atlanta area.
- b. Encourage lending institutions to make financing available for housing.
- c. Support the Greater Atlanta Housing Development Corporation and other similar efforts.

Construction and Design

- a. Investigate and report upon new methods and materials used in producing housing, including prefabrication.
- b. Study ways and means of implementing on a city-wide basis appropriate recommendations of Eric Hill and Associates' study on the Model Cities area.
- c. Recommend specific changes in construction codes considered desirable for the Atlanta area.

Housing Locations

- a. Seek locations for housing where it best serves the needs of the people and the City. The possibility of single-family public housing units opens new avenues.
- b. It is assumed that this Committee will seek sites for in-town rehabilitation and new building of moderate and upper income housing, as well as low income.

Housing Restudy

- a. Assist Planning Department in development of evaluation of housing efforts to date and the redefinition of total housing needs.
- b. Promote political acceptability and support of above study.

Legal

- a. Act as a legal resource to the Committee as a whole.
- b. Become knowledgeable of present laws affecting housing and recommend new laws or changes where needed.

Moderate and Upper Income In-Town Housing

- a. This new Committee is set up with the idea of halting deterioration of existing neighborhoods and to aid in the creation of new units in the inner City.
- b. The aim is to assure that the City maintains a proper economic balance in housing.

Public Relations

Build a climate in Atlanta and the surrounding area of interest in and concern for housing.

Social Aspects

- a. To see that the human factor is considered in slum clearance, rehabilitation of older structures and the building of new housing.
- b. The basic requirement is to see that the housing program is not only creating physical living space, but is encouraging a better life for the users.