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Honorable Charlie Leftwich, Chairman
Aldermanic Parks Committee
1665 Jonesboro Rd., S.E.
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Dear Mr. Leftwich:

Pursuant to the several conversations you have held with the undersigned, along with the interest expressed by Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., I asked Miss Dorothy Yarbrough of our Recreation Division to compute as accurately as possible the cost of operating our resident camp and the wilderness camp at Lake Allatoona. I have taken the liberty of xeroxing her response which includes a breakdown for cost per resident camper at \$42.35 for a five day period and a cost for wilderness resident camper of \$28.20 for a five day period.

I have discussed very thoroughly with all the Recreation Supervisors the opinions expressed by you and Mayor Allen as to the expenses involved in operating a camp, particularly one that is some forty-five miles from City Hall. I have made the suggestion that possibly we should increase the number of participants and lower the duration of stay in order to reduce the per camper cost. I still feel there is some merit in this suggestion; however, the supervisors representing the five areas of Atlanta without exception state that citizens in their areas of Atlanta were very pleased with the five day schedule and would prefer it not to be reduced.

We are carefully avoiding the expenditure of any City funds for anything other than absolute basic maintenance and upkeep at both our camping facilities. We have however, included in our 1969 proposal to EOA provisions for camping. It seems that OEO in Washington places great emphasis on camping experience and since we have conducted this program with Federal funds for the last several years, I feel it in the best interest not to remove it during 1969.

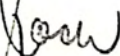


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I appreciate your continuing interest in our camping facilities, and I am

Cordially,



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Enclosure

cc: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
Honorable G. Everett Millican
Honorable Rodney M. Cook
Honorable Douglas L. Fowlkes