MINUTES GRANT REVIEW BOARD DECEMBER 19, 1969

CAP

The City of Atlanta Grant Review Board met in the office of the Chief Administrative Officer at 9:00 AM on December 19, 1969. The following were in attendance:

Dan E. Sweat, Jr. - Chief Administrative Officer
Collier Gladin - Planning Department
George Berry - Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Johnny Robinson - Community Development Coordinator
John Matthews - Planning Department
Linda Anderson - Finance Department

The Grant Review Board met to discuss a proposal of the City of Atlanta Planning Department for an Interim Assistance Program under the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Mr. John Matthews, City Planner explained that the Interim Assistance Program was a new HUD Program developed in July, 1969, in order to provide for "holding action" in the areas of Human Renewal before Urban Renewal Programs are under taken in urban renewal neighborhoods.

Mr. Matthews presented a synopsis of the Interim Assistance Program, a copy of which is attached. He explained that because of the cutbacks by HUD in Atlanta's Neighborhood Development Program and HUD's policy that no new areas could be placed under NDP, Plunkettown had to be eliminated from the City's 1970 NDP Program.

Mr. Matthews submitted and explained a proposed Budget totaling \$67,250.45 with a 2/3 Federal Grant to be requested of \$45,057.80. He also submitted a list of tentative Interim Projects developed by the members of the Plunkettown Planning Committee. A copy of this schedule is attached.

Mr. Gladin suggested that the Budget be amended to include relocation assistance for those families who would be relocated from the Plunkettown Community during the Interim Assistance Project.

Mr. Sweat suggested that every effort should be made to relocate each family or individual who wished and could qualify into the new Gilbert Road Public Housing Project on a priority basis.

Discussion took place as to whom would administer the IAP on financing and on other matters.

The Grant Review Board strongly recommends the Interim Assistance Program be submitted to HUD with the following conditions.

- 1. That 1963 Urban Renewal Bond funds be used to finance the City's local share.
- 2. That the Program be administered by the Atlanta Housing Authority with the understanding that the City Planning Department Staff will aid the Atlanta Housing Authority in the planning and evaluation of the project.
- 3. That the Budget be amended to contain money for relocation expenses.
- 4. That a definite attempt be made to relocate all eligible and willing residents into the Gilbert Road Public Housing Project as a top priority.

Project Intercept

The City of Atlanta with the support and backing of the Business Community and the Atlanta Transit System have been working with the Department of Transportation Center City Consultant's team in the development of a shuttle bus system known as Project Intercept. Due to the presence of the Christmas Holidays the decision was made to begin Project Intercept the day after Thanksgiving. The advantage to be gained by introducing the public during the shopping season to the park - shuttle service was thought to be significant. The business community has donated \$30,000 to underwrite the initial cost of this program. An additional \$30,000 is needed in the form of a demonstration grant to assist in the marketing effort. The Planning Department had prepared a Demonstration Grant application and requested the Grant Review Board's approval.

The Board moved to support the filing of this application and a joint resolution of Rinance and Planning and Development Committees authorizing the filing of application.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan E. Sweat, Jr.

Chief Administrative Officer

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