

MINUTES  
ATLANTA CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION  
MAY 25, 1967

The regular meeting of the Atlanta Civic Design Commission was held Thursday, May 25, at 2 p.m., in Committee Room #4, City Hall, with the following members present:

Joseph S. Perrin, chairman	James H. Dodd
Mrs. Alvin M. Ferst, secretary	John C. Gould
Harry J. Baldwin	Mrs. Edith Henderson
W. L. Calloway	H. King McCain
Samuel I. Cooper	J. Ben Moore

Guests present:

Lorraine M. Bennett - The Atlanta Journal  
Alex Coffin - The Atlanta Constitution

Minutes of the May 11 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Perrin reported on the following correspondence:

1. Letter dated May 18, to the Atlanta Housing Authority, concerning report of the redevelopers proposals for the "University Center Urban Redevelopment Area," as reviewed by Messrs. Perrin, Baldwin, and Calloway.
2. Letter of May 25 to Bradbury & Associates, re the presentation on May 11 of the Georgia Plaza plans. Mrs. Henderson was thanked for drafting the material for the report.
3. As authorized by the Commission on May 11, a letter dated May 25 was forwarded to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, endorsing the proposed tree ordinance, and urging their support of same.

Mr. Perrin added that members will receive a copy of the report of the Commission (from February 1966 to March 1967) as submitted by former chairman Cooper. Mr. Perrin expressed his personal commendation to Mr. Cooper of the report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Mrs. Ferst stated that the design symbol for ACDC citation is well underway, and should be ready for the next meeting.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Committee on % for Allied Arts (Perrin, ch.)

Mr. Perrin stated that the City Attorney is preparing the ordinance for allocation of percentage of construction costs to allied arts, which we should have within the next 2-4 weeks.

Committee on Scale Model (Portman, ch.)

Mr. Perrin stated that he and Mr. Portman have arranged a meeting with Mr. Robert Bivens of Central Atlanta Progress, Inc., to seek CAP's support of the proposed model.

Committee on Proposed Dinner (Portman, ch.)

Mr. Perrin reported that Mr. Portman has consented to support the proposed dinner, and that the committee could move ahead with plans for same.

Committee (e) Dodd, ch.)

Mr. Dodd reported that he has begun writing letters to other cities for information on desirability and feasibility of sidewalk cafes in the city.

"Communication" Committee

Mrs. Ferst, co-chairman, stated that the committee is preparing a list for contacts.

"Sanitation" Committee (Moore, ch.)

Mr. Moore stated he has no report, but that he has noticed that the City has put trash receptacles in Plaza Park, and he questions improvement due to conspicuous colors of the receptacles.

Committee on CIP Report (Gould, ch.)

Mr. Gould reported that the committee has reviewed the CIP report, as submitted to the city by the planning consultants. The committee feels it is a fine report; however Mr. Gould noted that the recommendations were particularly weak. He read the draft of the committee's report to be forwarded to the Planning Department, and the motion passed to endorse the report as read.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

AHA Review

Mr. Perrin reported that the Commission has been requested to review the redeveloper's proposals for the Rawson-Washington Street Urban Redevelopment Area, per letter of May 17 from the Atlanta Housing Authority.

Mr. Dodd, Mr. Baldwin, and Mrs. Henderson plan to represent the ACDC at the presentation on May 31.



### Bicycle Trail

Mrs. Ferst brought up the matter of the proposed bicycle trail in the Collier Hills area, which was voted down by the Parks Committee of the Board of Aldermen at a hearing held on May 9.

Mrs. Ferst, who lives in the section of town concerned with the trail, presented a handbill that was circulated in the area, opposing the trail. She stated that she heard nothing about the May 9 hearing, at which time some 120 residents had opposed the trail, and she feels that the hasty decision to abandon the idea was made without adequate publicity on the hearing, and without both sides of the argument being presented.

The members discussed the issue, and the motion passed that the Commission forward a statement to the Parks Committee requesting the reopening of the subject and endorsing the development of the trail.

Mrs. Henderson and Mrs. Ferst drafted the statement, which was approved by the members, and the letter was forwarded that same day.

### NEW BUSINESS

#### "For Sale" Signs

Mr. Perrin stated that it has been brought to his attention that there is under consideration a possible ban of "For Sale" signs on single unit dwellings in Atlanta and brought this matter up to the Commission for discussion.

At least 2 members of the Commission feel that ACDC should express interest in governing sign control, and actively engage in bringing about a sensible approach to sign control, however they hesitate to specify particular signs.

The chairman requested Mr. Gould to give thought to the matter, and within 1 or 2 meetings present recommendations to the Commission of how it might approach the problem.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45.

Ann Butler  
Recording Secretary