

Rapid Transit

September 12, 1969

Mr. C. C. Villarreal, Administrator
Department of Transportation
Urban Mass Transportation Administration
Washington, D. C. 20590

Dear Mr. Villarreal:


On June 27, 1969, we submitted to your Office an application for D. O. T. assistance in developing a Sub-Area Transportation Study for Central Atlanta, through a team effort of the City of Atlanta and Central Atlanta Progress, representing our downtown business community.

Under our present circumstances of rapid downtown growth, the threat of strangulation from traffic, a time delay in our rapid transit program, the status of highway building and traffic improvements, and your Center City Team Phase II effort just announced, we feel that the Central Atlanta Program is urgently needed and can help accelerate the other programs.

The Center City Project and the Central Area Study were designed to be mutually supportive. Concurrent implementation of these two programs is essential if either is to achieve maximum desired results.

If you have any questions, our Planning Directors, Collier B. Gladin and Donald G. Ingram of Central Atlanta Progress can meet with you at any time.

Sincerely,


Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

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cc: Congressman Fletcher Thompson
Senator Richard B. Russell
Senator Herman Talmadge