

October 3, 1966

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

From: Dan Sweat

Subject: Low Income Housing Program, City of Atlanta

In accordance with your verbal direction of September 28, 1966, the following program is recommended to meet the requirements outlined for acceleration of the City's housing code compliance program and development of ^{an adequate} ~~inadequate~~ supply of low income housing.

The program as outlined herein is designed to accomplish two major objectives:

1. Relocation of a maximum number of low income families from the worst slum areas and demolition of substandard structures prior to June 1, 1967.

2. Acceleration of construction of authorized public housing

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units and development of new public housing resources with target dates of June 1, 1967, and June 1, 1968.

In order to accomplish these goals the following major recommendations must be considered:

1. Adoption by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of a strong policy of Housing Code Enforcement and issuance of a clear implementing directive to all officials charged with such implementation and operation of the Housing Code Compliance Program. (Copy of proposed policy attached)

2. The Housing Code Compliance Policy adopted January 1, 1965, be revised to provide for priority treatment to "clearance, code enforcement" areas and firm designation of Title I Urban Renewal areas on a 2-year maximum delay schedule. (Copy of proposed revision attached.)

3. Addition of a minimum of 14 new positions in the Housing Code Compliance Division, including 10 additional inspectors and four clerical employees.

4. Adoption by the Atlanta Housing Authority of an innovative and energetic program of public housing using all available resources

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of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, including lease and purchase of renovated private housing under the "turnkey" program.

5. Encouragement of and assistance to private, non-profit and profit housing developers by the Atlanta Housing Authority for the construction and development of private and semi-public housing resources for low income and moderate income families, utilizing the "221" programs as well as private capital.

6. Immediate review of all pending and authorized public housing projects and initiation of necessary action to complete all scheduled projects prior to June 1, 1968.