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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Eric Harkness, Planning Department

FROM: Jack Delius, Parks Department

SUBJECT: Master plan for Piedmont Park - Urban beautification program

The Parks Department is very excited about the possibility of having a master plan developed for Piedmont Park, using donated services and skills of private architects and landscapers in the Atlanta area. Your urban beautification plan could be used to its fullest extent for the restoration of Piedmont Park and at the same time we could provide badly needed facilities for the Arts Festival and other community groups. In the past, there has been tremendous opposition on the part of the public to any major change to be made at Piedmont Park. It is felt that no additional structures should be placed in the park if it should in fact jeopardize the wooded area, etc. The existing swimming pool has been condemned (along with four others) by Fulton County Health Department and we are on borrowed time as far as its operation. I feel strongly that by blending the talents and opinions of several of our better designers in the City we can come up with a plan which will be acceptable to the general public and at the same time preserve the charm of Piedmont Park.

I would like very much for you to attend any and all meetings to be called by Mr. Arthur Sanders, Bill Finch, Joe Perrin, etc. of the Arts Festival of Atlanta in reference to the park. We appreciate your efforts to date towards the urban beautification program and pledge you our full support and cooperation.

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cc: Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
All Members of the Parks Committee
Mr. A. P. Brindley
Mr. James H. Finch, FAIA
Mr. Arthur Sanders
Mr. Joe Perrin, Head, Arts Dept., Ga. State College

