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July 17, 1967

Mrs. Eliza K. Paschall Executive Director Community Relations Commission 1203 City Hall Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Eliza:

I have talked with several people about your letter dated July 5, 1967, addressed to the Community Council from your organization. They all agree that the city of Atlanta needs a comprehensive year-round recreation plan and Mr. Allison from EOA, Mr. Cox from the Atlanta Youth Council, and Mr. Delius from the City Recreation Department have agreed that we should get together to discuss how such a plan could be developed.

We are in agreement that the primary agencies which would have responsibility for planning and implementing the plan should come together first. Therefore, we are not in agreement with your recommendation that we convene a meeting of representatives of all recreation facilities at the present time. We feel that the smaller group should figure out how a plan could be developed and how it might be financed before we bring together the groups who provide many of the direct services in recreation.

Mr. Cox and I are very much interested in convening a meeting of the primary groups in which we would discuss how such a planning process could proceed for the city. Both of our organizations have information at the present time which is pertinent to proceeding with a planning process. The Economic Opportunity of Atlanta also has information and I think the time is ripe for us to proceed.

We have not set a date for such a meeting but will within the next few days after I have a chance to confer with Mr. Furniss, the Chairman of our Board of Directors. We would propose at that time to invite a representative of your organization, the City Recreation Department, the Community Chest, EOA, the Mayor's Office and the community school program.

Please let me know your thoughts on the matter.

Best regards.

Sincerely,

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