

M I N U T E S

MODEL NEIGHBORHOOD EXECUTIVE BOARD

Tuesday, April 15, 1969
10:00 a.m.

The monthly meeting of the Model Neighborhood Executive Board was held on Tuesday, April 15, 1969 at 10:00 a.m. in Committee Room #2, City Hall.

The following members were present:

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., Chairman
Mrs. Mattie Ansley
Alderman E. Gregory Griggs
Alderman Everett Millican
Mr. J. D. Newberry
Dr. C. Miles Smith
Mr. Bill C. Wainwright
Mr. J. C. Whitely

Absent:

Mr. Sam Caldwell
Mr. Clarence Coleman
Deacon Lewis Peters
Representative John Hood
Mrs. Martha Weems
Mr. Walter Mitchell

Other city department heads, agency representatives and the press were also present.

The Chairman, Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., called the meeting to order. He then entertained a motion for the adoption of the March 11 Minutes. It was so moved and unanimously approved without correction.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Millican reported on the results of the meeting with Mr. Moody of Model Neighborhood, Inc. He said that Mr. Moody's organization would like to request \$3,000 additional funds from the Model Cities Program to continue their operations. Mr. Millican said that he did not wish to make any recommendations for action at this time .

REPORT OF THE MASS CONVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE

There was no report of the Mass Convention Steering Committee due to the absence of Deacon Peters.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Johnson informed the Board that the contract between the Atlanta Model Cities Program and the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development had not been executed. The Nixon Administration has decided not to enter into any agreements until they decide what the new focus of the Model Cities Program will be. Agency contracts are being negotiated during this interim period. Most of the contracts have been accepted and will be ready for execution as soon as the Federal contract is tendered.

Mr. Johnson discussed the booklet of Project Descriptions which was given to all Board members. The booklet gave a breakdown of projects by project numbers, a brief description of the scope of the project, the agency implementing the project, the total cost of the project, and the amount of supplemental funds involved in the project.

Mayor Allen felt that there was a need for an evaluation committee to review all of the projects contained in the Program to determine the capabilities of the agencies to implement a particular project, to determine if the funds are being spent in the proper manner, and to see if the necessary personnel would be available. Mr. Millican moved that a committee of three to five people be appointed to serve as an Evaluation Committee to review all of the projects contained in the Model Cities Program. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

As part of the Director's Report, three members of the staff gave detailed presentation on specific projects contained in the program.

Mr. Jim Shimkus, Director of Social Development, gave a presentation on the unique features of the Day Care Program. He pointed out the critical need for the program and showed how it related to many of the other components of the program. He referred to a chart which listed the objectives of the Day Care program, the agencies involved in implementing the program and how they are related, and the function of the Advisory Board. The Day Care Program is divided into three phases: Day Care Centers, Block Centers, and Family Day Care Homes. The major emphasis of the program will be to get the parents involved and trained in child care and development.

Mr. Jim Wright, Director of Physical Development, discussed the Intra-Neighborhood Bus System and the proposed Housing Center. This bus is designed to facilitate east-west travel within the Model Neighborhood Area and outside of the area. The project will be implemented by the Atlanta Transit System. Mr. William Nix of the transit company made comments on the services that will be provided in this project. The Housing Center will be established to relate the various housing programs to residents and provide services not provided by other housing programs.

Mr. O. D. Fulp, Employment Planner, presented the various projects and activities in the Employment Component. He point out that the Employment Program was geared toward individualized service, toward bridging the gap between existing agencies and toward going outside the conventional methods of delivering employment guidance and training to those seeking employment. The employment program will provide outreach service get the people into the employment offices and referral services to get them to the jobs available.

A general discussion period followed each presentation to further explain and clarify any issues or questions pertaining to the project.

Mr. Johnson then introduced the new members to the Model Cities Staff. They are:

Mr. Jim Culp
Economic Development Planner

Mr. Bayard "Mac" Irwin
Research Specialist

Mr. James L. Hicks
Program Specialist
Economic Development Division

Mr. Booker T. Howell
Program Coordinator

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

APPROVED:


Johnny C. Johnson, Director
Model Cities Program

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., Chairman
Model Neighborhood Executive Board

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