

BETTER HOUSING COMMISSION

Committee Room #1

City Hall

May 23, 1967

A special meeting of the Better Housing Commission was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by Mr. B. A. Martin, Chairman. Upon invitation from Mr. Martin, Mr. Johnson and Mr. Philmer of HUD were present at this meeting.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Philmer were present to explain Section 312 Loans and 314 Grants which apply only to owners in federally assisted Urban Renewal Projects or Code Enforcement Project areas. They are not available to owners outside of Urban Renewal Projects.

The Committee further discussed the possibilities of financial assistance to cases of hardship, where the owner occupants are subject to Housing Code notice to repair or demolish. Out of this discussion came the resolution (copy attached) to be presented to Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

Members Present

Mr. B. A. Martin

Dr. Sidney L. Davis

Mr. William Alexander

Mr. Harold Dawson

Mr. John Cherry

Mr. Herbert Millkey

A RESOLUTION

BY: BETTER HOUSING COMMISSION

A special called meeting of the Better Housing Commission, held at City Hall on May 23, 1967, did by unanimous vote, adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Better Housing Commission has for six years functioned as an appellate board for citizens of this community and these appeals result from Housing Code notices to effect repairs and improvements to various properties and,

WHEREAS, these appeals are generally from owner occupants and relate to financial hardship and inability to effect necessary repairs or improvements and extending additional time or suspending the Housing Code notice does not overcome bad housing conditions, and,

WHEREAS, continued existence of substandard housing poses a threat to the health, safety and welfare of the occupants and the people of the City and,

WHEREAS, such substandard housing conditions can be overcome if adequate financial assistance is made available,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen be requested to investigate the possibility of providing long-term, low interest bearing loans to deserving property owners for the purpose of correcting substandard housing conditions or for the City to purchase properties for demolition purposes; each individual case must have the unanimous approval of the Better Housing Commission,

Be it also resolved that a copy of this resolution be delivered to Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor of the City of Atlanta.

  
B. A. Martin, Chairman