

## CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS Office of General Manager Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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JACK C. DELIUS GENERAL MANAGER

Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr. Mayor, City of Atlanta City Hall Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you for your memorandum and attached correspondence concerning the suggestion of Mr. Francis M. Young to replace bricks around the trees on Peachtree Street with small gravel so as to eliminate the possibility of the bricks being used as ammunition in the event of a riot.

There are approximately 71 trees in the downtown area which now have bricks around the base. In most instances, this is common red brick and can be easily replaced with white chipped marble gravel. We are arranging to replace the majority of the bricks; however, on Peachtree Street near Harris in front of the First National Bank branch, there are four trees which have a very attractive, and apparently specially made, four inch by four inch brick which were obviously selected to blend in with the new Peachtree Center decor. Although it is true these particular bricks could certainly be used as ammunition, we would hesitate to yank them up since someone has apparently gone to considerable expense having them placed there. Therefore, I think at least for the time being that we won't bother these located on Peachtree near Harris but if you have any feelings to the contrary please advise and we will proceed to do something about it.

Thank you for your continued interest, I am

Cordially,

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Jack C. Delius General Manager of Parks and Recreation



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