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April 28, 1967

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning and Development Committee of the Board of Aldermen was held on Friday, April 28, 1967 at 2:00 P. M. in Committee Room #1, Second Floor, City Hall.

The following members were present:

Rodney Cook, Chairman
E. Gregory Griggs
Charles Leftwich
George Cotsakis
John M. Flanigen
Q. V. Williamson

Absent: Jack Summers

Also in attendance were:

Collier Gladin
William F. Kennedy
Pierce Mahony
Earl Landers
Howard Openshaw
Les Persells

The Chairman called the meeting to order and the following business was considered:

Mr. Gladin explained that the Planning Department, with assistance from other city departments and agencies, have been preparing the annual request for recertification of the Workable Program, which is necessary in order for the city to continue participation in a variety of federal programs; that it is hoped to submit the recertification to the Board of Aldermen for approval on May 15 and to HUD immediately thereafter in order to allow them two additional weeks of review time. He stated further that prior to today's meeting, a draft copy of each of seven sections were forwarded to each member for review and he then asked for any questions or suggested changes in any of the individual draft sections.

Mr. Kennedy of the departmental staff briefly commented on each draft and the following is a listing of them and the recommendations of the committee:

1. Codes and Ordinances - Under Item 4, relative to the number of appeals filed during the past twelve months as a result of code enforcement, it was requested that the figure reflecting the number of cases resolved by the committee be changed to accurately show that the committee itself had resolved all the cases which had been brought before it, even though some of the cases might be pending before another governing board.
2. Comprehensive Community Plan - No changes.

3. Neighborhood Analyses - No changes.
4. Administrative Organization - No changes.
5. Financing - No changes.
6. Housing For Displaced Families - The committee asked that the total number of families displaced during 1966 (shown as 162) be verified; that it seemed rather low. Mr. Persells stated the Housing Authority could document this figure.
7. Citizen Participation - No changes.

The committee then unanimously adopted the following resolution:

"A RESOLUTION

BY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is constantly working to solve the problems of urban blight and decay and,

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is committed to a positive working relationship with the national government in an attempt to solve urban problems of mutual concern and,

WHEREAS, recertification of the City of Atlanta's Workable Program for Community Improvement is necessary in order to continue to receive grants-in-aid under a variety of federal aid programs and,

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta has made outstanding progress in 1966 in meeting its goals for total community improvement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Atlanta, as follows:

1. That the attached report, A Review of Progress under the Workable Program for Community Improvement, is hereby adopted.
2. That said report be forwarded to the Regional Office of the

United States Department of Housing and Urban
Development for their review no later than June 1,
1967."

Mr. Mahony of the departmental staff gave a brief status report on the Land Use Plan, stating it is expected to have it in a final draft form by July so as to begin consultations with the committee with a view toward final adoption.

Revision of Zoning Ordinance

Mr. Gladin briefly commented that the staff feels it would be desirable, as an initial step in updating the entire ordinance, to review it for certain kinds of deficiencies which should, in turn, give a clearer understanding of where the ordinance is lacking in its basic approach to both development and enforcement; that while most of these deficiencies are obvious to the administrative staff, it was felt it would be desirable to have an outside review of the ordinance from a more objective standpoint, pointing out both the kinds of deficiencies and the areas where it may substantially differ from other ordinances employing similar concepts and accordingly, the American Society of Planning Officials has been employed to do such a review. Mr. Gladin stated also that he anticipated bringing this matter before the committee around the middle of May for discussion.

Survey and Planning Application for Nash-Bans Area

Mr. Gladin explained that an initial meeting had been scheduled with representatives from all the area civic clubs, churches and other groups; the purpose of this meeting, and other similar ones to follow, will be to acquaint these area representatives with the city's plans for their area; to hear their problems and solutions; to ascertain their feelings about an urban renewal project for their area, and to solicit their support; in turn, it is hoped these representatives will keep their respective neighborhood informed of all these activities.

Combining of Buttermilk Bottoms - Bedford Pine Projects

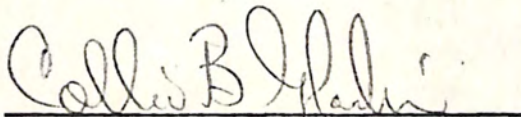
Mr. Persells brought this matter to the committee's attention, explaining

that HUD has stated that since we are simply adding the areas and budgets together, no new resolution is required and the documents can be presented to the Regional Office and unless this committee wishes to restate the position taken by the Urban Renewal Policy Committee in approving the combination, no further action is required.

The committee felt no further action was needed.

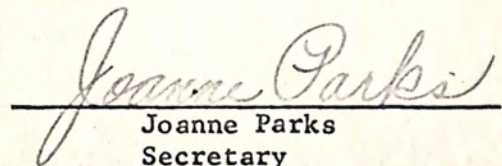
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved:



Collier Gladin
Planning Director

Respectfully submitted:



Joanne Parks
Secretary

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