

MINUTES  
ATLANTA CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION  
JANUARY 26, 1967

The regular meeting of the Atlanta Civic Design Commission was held Thursday, January 26, at 2 p.m., in Committee Room #4, City Hall, with the following members present:

Sam'l Inman Cooper, Chairman	John C. Gould
Joseph S. Perrin, Vice-Chairman	Julian Harris
Mrs. Alvin M. Ferst, Secretary	H. King McCain
Harry J. Baldwin	J. Ben Moore
W. L. Calloway	

Guests present:

Eric Harkness, City Planning Department  
Ray A. Nixon, Chief of Construction Department  
A. P. Brindley, Parks Engineer

Minutes of the January 12 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Cooper reported that the following letters have been received or written by the Commission:

1. Letter of Jan. 13 to Mr. Hugh Pierce, Chairman of the Ordinance & Legislation Committee of the Board of Aldermen, requesting that Ordinance creating ACDC be amended whereby reappointments to the Commission could be made.
2. Letter of Jan. 13, from Mr. Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks Department, re five parks plans reviewed by the Commission on Jan. 12, in answer to Muldawer's memo of 12/21/66.
3. Letter of Jan. 19 to Mr. Jack C. Delius inviting him or his representative to meet with the Commission on January 26.
4. Letter of Jan. 16 from Mr. John E. Sims, Director of University System Building Authority, in answer to ACDC correspondence of 1/10 re request for preliminary plans for review, and ACDC's letter of reply thereto.
5. Letters of Jan. 19 to the editors of the Atlanta Journal and Constitution, commending architectural projects which were reviewed by ACDC in 1966, as requested by Muldawer at 1/12 meeting.

6. Letter of Jan. 20, from Charles Davis, City Comptroller, stating that the Board of Aldermen on 1/16/67 approved an appropriation of \$2200 for ACDC in the new budget.
7. Letter of Jan. 23 from Mr. Thomas Hal Clarke, President of Atlanta Historical Society, recommending Mr. Franklin Garrett for appointment to the Commission, in the category of Sites of Historical or Architectural Interest.
8. Copies of letters dated Jan. 24 written by Mayor Allen to owners of 4 historical sites, as requested in letter of 12/22/66 from ACDC to Mayor Allen.

#### ARCHITECTURAL REVIEWS:

Mr. Brindley, representing Mr. Jack Delius, General Manager of the Parks Department, met with the Commission to explain and comment on the five parks plans (as reviewed by the Commission at Jan. 12 meeting), and also the letter from Paul Muldawer, chairman of Architectural Review Committee to Parks Department, concerning these plans. Mr. Brindley stated that some revisions have been made in these plans in accordance with comments made in Muldawer's letter.

Mr. Ray Nixon submitted for ACDC's review preliminary plans for the Howell Mill Road Bridge over Southern Railway.

Messrs. Nixon and Brindley were thanked by the Chairman on behalf of the Commission for making these reviews possible.

#### GENERAL DISCUSSIONS

##### Re ACDC Mailing List

Mr. Perrin suggested that Georgia State and Georgia Tech be put on ACDC's mailing list to receive letters requesting preliminary plans be submitted for review by the Commission. Mr. Perrin brought out that although they are not legally required to submit, he feels they should be informed of their privilege to do so. With concurrence of members, Georgia State and Georgia Tech will be added to the mailing list.

Re Demonstration Cities Program

In view of ACDC's concern regarding housing conditions in the "Demonstration Cities" Program, Mr. Calloway voiced his opinion that ACDC should be given the opportunity to render opinions and/or suggestions on preliminary plans. Mr. Harkness brought out that the Planning Department is preparing an application for a planning grant which will cover a great many aspects, including the social, economics, physical problems, etc., of the model neighborhood area, and that he is preparing 2 parts of the program which deal with design and historic preservation. He further stated that he hopes to get comments and review of the Civic Design Commission on this part of the program.

Mr. Perrin suggested that the Commission consider following Mr. Harkness' point of view, and appoint one or two members to collaborate with Harkness on this project. The chairman stated that Mr. Harris is chairman of the committee to collaborate with the Planning Department on the Urban Beautification Program. Mr. Harkness stated that Mr. Harris will be added to the mailing list to attend these meetings. The Chairman suggested that Mr. Harris appoint a co-chairman to his committee to represent him at the meetings in case he could not attend. Upon Mr. Calloway's offer to serve on the committee, the chairman concurred and Mr. Calloway was added to the "Urban Beautification Committee."

The Chairman was requested by members present to write Mr. Dan E. Sweat, Director of Governmental Liaison, who is handling the "Demonstration Cities" Program, and offer ACDC's assistance.

Re Commendation Letters

Members present requested that letters be forwarded to Rich's and to the Federal Reserve Bank commending them for proposed development of open spaces, as recently publicized in the Atlanta newspapers.

Mr. Harris further suggested that Rich's be commended for its 100th Anniversary Celebration. Mr. Harris was requested to draft such a letter for the chairman's signature.

Re Meeting Dates

Mr. Harris asked if it would be inconvenient for ACDC meetings to be changed to Fridays, as he has conflicting engagements and cannot always be present on Thursday. With a majority of the members present concurring that Thursday is more convenient, Mr. Harris asked that the subject be dropped, stating that he hoped to be able to adjust his Thursday teaching schedule at Tech accordingly.

Re ACDC Citation

Mrs. Ferst reported that \$25 has been donated by the Chairman toward a proposed \$100 to develop a seal or citation to be given to projects of outstanding merit in the judgement of the Commission, per Mrs. Ferst's motion of January 12, and expressed hopes that the remaining \$75 will shortly become available.

Re Appointment to Commission

Chairman Cooper presented a copy of the amending Ordinance approved by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen on January 18, 1967, as requested by the Commission, whereby re-appointments to ACDC were made possible. The remainder of the meeting was devoted to recommendations for appointments or re-appointments to the Commission.

The Meeting was adjourned at 4:30

Ann Butler  
Recording Secretary