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April 14, 1967

Mayor Ivan Allen  
68 Mitchell Street S.W.  
City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen,

I am writing this letter to you as one of the developers for the proposed low rent turnkey housing for your city and at the suggestion of Mr. Cecil Alexander with whom I have discussed our problem or stalemate as it now appears.

So that you might be able to more clearly view our position I will attempt to give you a brief background: We and our real estate agents spent many hours and days scouring Atlanta for the best possible sites from September to November 1966, and we finally narrowed our findings to two; one of which is the Skipper and Harwell Road site. In early November we presented same to the Atlanta Housing Authority who together with the Regional Housing Authority gave us approval for same per copy of letter enclosed of November 21, 1966. I also wish to call to your attention the fact that the regional officials together with the project planner from HAA and two officials from Washington visited this site and all expressed their approval of same.

Therefore, based on this approval, we proceeded to hire the firm of Good and Goodstein, Architects, Knoxville, Tennessee, who have been the Architects for fifteen to twenty Low Rent Housing Projects in the past five years, and therefore are cognizant of the requirements and procedures of Low Rent Housing. The Architects, The Atlanta Housing Authority officials, the Regional Authority officials and ourselves have had many meetings during the past five and one half months in order to be able to present our preliminary proposal which we did on March 30, 1967. We have all worked together without any knowledge of there being any objection to the proposed location. We have spent between \$30,000.00 and \$35,000.00 in actual costs because we were assured that the property was approved by everyone concerned and we have designed what we believe to be excellent apartments costing nearly \$20,000.00 per unit.

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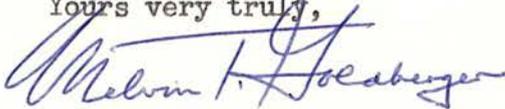
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We truly are very distressed that the project is being held in abeyance as we had set up a time schedule for the various phases set up in the "Turn-key" program, one of which being the "letter of intent" phase wherein we are then able to exercise our land option and this stoppage places our land purchase in a predicament as well as our aforementioned costs.

We are aware of the great and urgent need for this housing by the City of Atlanta and your desire to cooperate in every manner and we wanted you to know to what extent we had gone in attempting to help solve this housing shortage and of course we stand ready and willing to assist in whatever manner you think we might be able.

Hoping that you will be able to solve this dilemma in the very near future.

Yours very truly,



The Vector Company  
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cc:M.B. Satterfield  
Cecil Alexander