

MINUTES
ATLANTA CIVIC DESIGN COMMISSION
MAY 11, 1967

The regular meeting of the Atlanta Civic Design Commission was held Thursday May 11, at 2 p.m., in Committee Room #4, City Hall, with the following members present:

Joseph S. Perrin, chairman
Paul Muldawer, Vice-Chairman
Mrs. Alvin M. Ferst, Secretary
Joseph B. Browder

W. L. Calloway
Franklin M. Garrett
Mrs. Edith Henderson
J. Ben Moore

Guests present:

Mrs. Ivan Allen, III - Atlanta Junior League
Mrs. Abernathy - Atlanta Junior League
Mr. John E. Dugger - Bradbury & Associates
Mr. Ron E. Mitchell, Jr. - Bradbury & Associates
Dr. Paul Brown - Central Presbyterian Church

Minutes of the April 27 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Mr. Perrin stated that he had visited with Eric Harkness in the City Planning Department, and was shown a plan they are working on which includes the Techwood Project, Rich's area, Government Center, Peachtree Center and Park Place Development, and that Planning will now be working on a concept design for those areas. Mr. Harkness hopes to call a meeting of the interested parties to explore some problems and prospects of continuing development of those areas around the City.

A letter dated May 3 was received from the Atlanta Housing Authority seeking review of Redeveloper's Proposals for the University Center Urban Redevelopment Area. Messrs. Baldwin and Calloway had reviewed 6 of the 7 projects, and Mr. Perrin reviewed the remaining proposal that same day, and he related to the Commission his report of same. Mr. Perrin stated that he hopes to have Messrs. Baldwin & Calloway's written report within a few days, so that they may be forwarded to AHA.

A letter dated May 4 was received from Mr. Ernest Davis, State Auditor, concerning an overall development plan for the government center. Also in this regard, Mr. Perrin commented on the April 28 editorial in the Atlanta Journal written by Mr. Reese Cleghorn.

Mr. Perrin stated that he had received a call from Alderman Hugh Pierce, who stated he will support the Tree Ordinance, and also voiced his concern about old elm trees near the Atlanta Stadium overgrowing the sidewalk. This matter will be brought up for action at the next Commission meeting.

A letter has also been received from Mrs. Raymond M. Finney, secretary of the Collier Hills Civic Association, urging passage of the Tree Ordinance, as submitted to the Planning and Development Committee by the City Planning Department.

Mr. Perrin made the motion that a resolution stating ACDC support of the Tree Ordinance be written and forwarded to the Planning and Development Committee and to the Planning Department. The motion carried.

Also in this regard, Mr. Browder, Vice-President of Georgia Power Company, requested that it go on record that the Power Company is for the Tree Ordinance, but that on occasion it is forced to "butcher" trees. He asked if the Commission has got the feelings of Southern Bell and Georgia Power in this regard. Mr. Perrin suggested that he speak with Mr. Gladin or Mr. Harkness.

VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Mr. Muldawer reported that this last week he received an invitation from the Metropolitan Planning Commission to join a tour of the underground area for the Junior League to see the potential of the "Terminus" area and

to perhaps consider this as a sort of project for them. After the tour, Mr. Muldawer had contacted Sam Massell and was advised to seek the support of the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Perrin suggested that he also contact Mr. Don Ingram of Central Atlanta Progress, Mr. Rich or Mr. Neeley of Rich's, and the Convention Bureau, and to ask other appropriate organizations in the city to write letters in support of this project to the Chamber.

Mr. Perrin stated that he has contacted Mr. Ray Moore, who is interested in giving news coverage to newsworthy Civic Design Commission project and activities.

The chairman further suggested that as concrete plans are made relating to the promotion of the "Terminus" area or other developments, to let him know of same so that he can set up news coverage with WFSB.

GEORGIA PLAZA DEVELOPMENT

Messrs. Dugger and Mitchell of Bradbury & Associates, made a comprehensive review of the plans for the Georgia Plaza Development. Slides of the project were shown, followed by questions and comments from the Commission.

Dr. Paul Brown, chairman of the Building Committee for the Central Presbyterian Church, also made a presentation of concern of the Church relating to certain aspects of the Development as it relates to the parking, ingress and egress.

The chairman requested Mrs. Henderson to draft a report of this review, to be forwarded to Bradbury and Associates.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Muldawer stated his concern about the Parks Committee of the Board of Aldermen voting down the proposed bicycle trail in the Collier Hills area, and said he would like this matter to be studied and reopened. Mr. Perrin stated he feels we should get the reaction of the entire Commission and discuss the matter with Eric Harkness before we make a move to reopen the issue. It was decided that this matter will be taken up at the next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30

Ann Butler
Recording Secretary