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Dear Committee Member:

Comes now (next week, that is) the fall equinox when our long and occasionally hot summer changes into our cool stimulating autumn.

Also comes next week, to be exact, at 2 p. m., Wednesday, September 20, in the Directors Room of the Trust Company of Georgia, our third quarter full committee meeting.

Just as the Minnesota Twins have been leading the American League pennant race (most of the time, that is), our program will open with a double billing. Our old friend, Hank Fillmer, will present, as lead off batters, Kenneth Finn and Otis Haire, of the architectural section of the Georgia F. H. A. office. They will tell us all about a new and highly significant program known as 221 H, whose aim is to bring about widespread rehabilitation of old but economically restorable properties by non profit sponsors. I am sure we are all familiar with the national renown Atlanta has achieved through its application of the 221 D 3 program to new construction projects (Wheat Street Gardens is a shining example of this).

But 221 H is something new under the federal sun. It provides ways and means to rebuild and repair old properties. As such, it opens up exciting new vistas for non profit sponsors (our committee could even be one).

Next will be a report on what's now going on and what's in prospect in urban renewal from Howard Openshaw in his first appearance before us in his new capacity as director of redevelopment. Howard will be presented by Les Persells, who is also in a new capacity as associate executive director of the Housing Authority.

Also on hand to update us on planning and housing and to answer questions will be Collier Gladin and Col. Malcolm Jones.

And, of course, Chairman Sommerville will have something to say.

Chairman Bob and I are looking forward to meeting with you Wednesday, Sept. 20.

Sincerely,



William S. Howland