



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

October 20, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor, City of Atlanta

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks & Recreation

SUBJECT: Transfer of summer recreation program to School System.

The Recreation and Park Survey which started October 2, 1967 will be concluded we hope by December 29, 1967. The group is giving special consideration to your suggestion and request that the feasibility of turning over to the School Department special recreation programs in the disadvantaged areas of 1968.

On several occasions you have expressed concern that the Parks Department is constructing a facility some $2\frac{1}{2}$ blocks from the existing Daniel Stanton Elementary School. The Daniel Stanton Park Site, like all the other purchased under the 1963 Bond Issue, was initially selected after careful consideration by the Planning Department based on population, availability of space, etc. The philosophy of the 1963 Park Acquisition Plan was that park land would be purchased immediately adjacent or near existing or programmed elementary schools so as not to duplicate facilities. In the case of Daniel Stanton School, there presently is an enrollment of 914 pupils. Initially, the School facility had only two acres of property and have recently added four for a total of six acres. The State minimum requirements for the current school population at this location would be 14.1 acres; thus, the Daniel Stanton School lacks 8.1 acres according to State standards. Since there is hardly enough acreage for minimum school functions, we feel that we are correct in proceeding with the development of the Daniel Stanton Park Site. The fact that we are constructing a building on the park site this close to a school (in view of the fact that possibly some of the school could be used for inside recreation) is unique in that we were able to remodel an existing Georgia Power Company sub-station building into a

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Mayor Allen
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useable and adequate gymnasium. We are quite deficient in gyms all over the City of Atlanta.

I have again checked to see if we are correct in attempting to buy property in the Northwest area of the City of Atlanta and specifically adjacent to the Bowen Homes Housing Project on James Jackson Boulevard. This location has been declared the most urgent in need of additional park acreage in a recent study by the Planning Department. The Williams Elementary School serving Bowen Homes has a present enrollment of 1129 pupils. It sets on a 5-acre site and again according to State standards should have a minimum of 16.3 acres. Thus, the school itself is deficient 11.3 acres. We are in the process of condemning nearby property amounting to 11.019 acres of land.



CC: All members of Park Committee
Mr. Dan Sweat



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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Dr. Edith Varon and Mr. Jack Schmitt, Community Council; Mr. Bud Stone, E.O.A.; Mr. Pierce Mahoney and Mr. Eric Harkness, Planning Department; Miss Virginia Carmichael and Mr. Jim Allen, Park and Recreation Department

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks & Recreation *J*

SUBJECT: Transfer of summer recreation programs to School System.

I attach hereto a Xerox copy of Mayor Allen's news release of September 26, 1967, which deals in part with shifting the recreation responsibilities to the School Department during the summer months as well as a Xerox of his memorandum to Dr. Letson, Miss Carmichael, and myself of October 18, 1967. Also attached are two news articles dealing with these items of October 19, 1967.

By copy of this memorandum, I am advising Mayor Allen and members of the Park Committee that our Parks and Recreation Survey and Plan is giving special consideration to the potentialities of the proposal of transferring special summer recreation programs - particularly in low income areas - to the School Department. Our Recreation Plan should be finished no later than December 29, 1967 and should include a program for the summer of 1968, suggestions on bond items to be included in our spring referendum, as well as the proper and most effective expenditure of the recent State windfall of \$350,000 and, last but not least, the programming of our 1968 Park Improvement Capital Fund.

cc: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor, City of Atlanta ✓
All members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee
Dr. John Letson
Dr. John Martin
Dr. Darwin Womack
Mr. Dan Sweat



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October 19, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mrs. Ann Moses, Mayor's Office

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks

SUBJECT: Cyclorama Tape

Some months ago I received a telephone call from Mr. Junius A. Park of Anaheim, California who stated he worked on the original tape now being used at the Cyclorama and he felt it should be updated and modernized. He offered to do this at no expense to the City of Atlanta since apparently he has access to electronic gear, etc. I encouraged him along these lines but having heard nothing for some months assumed that the matter had been dropped.

I am enclosing a Xerox of a letter just received from Mr. Park which is self-explanatory. I would not want to discourage him but it may be that he is offering the same type of service that we hoped to received from Mr. Victor Jory.

Just thought I'd keep you posted on this matter and as soon as I have a reply from Mr. Jory I'll know which way to go with Mr. Park.



JUNIUS ANDREW PARK

3428 West Faircrest Drive • Anaheim, California 92804

October 10, 1967

Mr. Jack Delius
Department of Parks and Recreation
City Hall
City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Delius: I have today forwarded to Mr. Sam Wilhoit of AzTec Films a copy of my master tape of the current Cycloorama narration. I passed on to him your suggestions that the long introduction be removed from the front of the tape with a view toward placing them at the end, if at all. I am sure he will be in touch.

I have a perfect master so there is no problem about reproducing copies as long as you continue to utilize this particular narration. Of course, as with the original script, production and music, there is no charge on my part.

I would hope that eventually an entirely new presentation could be produced. That old painting should be given the benefit of the advanced state of the art of audioanimatronics with stereo music and automatic lighting to draw more of those Yankee dollars through the turnstiles. I might even do the job myself for a lifetime pass to come back and see it every now and then.

Best to you all in that great adopted city of mine. If I can be of any service, drop me a line.

Andy Park



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Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303



October 18, 1967

JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor
City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Re: Golf Membership
Mr. Stewart Granger

Dear Mayor Allen:

This is to advise that the Department of Parks has no record of ever having received a check from the above captioned individual for purchase of a golf membership in July.

As it seems rather odd that this gentleman would wait through the months of July, August and September before he advised us that he had not received his membership card, we hesitated to forward him another one.

Mr. Granger has promised to forward us the cancelled check, at which time we will be happy to give him a membership card and make up the time he lost due to some error or misunderstanding.

This type thing has happened before in this department and we have found that the individual could not produce a source of proof of his ever having purchased a membership. Therefore, we must have evidence before we can issue memberships.

We regret the inconvenience caused you by this oversight, but will be happy to correct it just as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Mary Jo Holley

Mary Jo Holley
Department of Parks

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October 19, 1967

Mr. J. A. Snitzer, Jr.
389 Woodward Way, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mr. Snitzer:

Thank you for your letter of October 16, 1967 regarding the restoration of the Bobby Jones Golf Clubhouse. The architect employed by the City of Atlanta for this project determined, and his opinion was endorsed by the City's own architect, that the Bobby Jones Golf Clubhouse, due to the nature of its construction, etc. would not warrant restoration. Rather, the architect felt that it would be cheaper and more practical if the building were completely replaced. The City of Atlanta does not have funds for this project and the architect at that point was released from any further work.

In our 1968 General Budget request, we have requested funds for the replacement of the Bobby Jones Golf Clubhouse.

Very truly yours,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

cc: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓

October 16, 1967

A Called Meeting of the Aldermanic Parks Committee was held at 3:30 p.m., Monday, October 16, 1967, in Committee Room No. 1 of the City Hall. In attendance were Aldermen Leftwich, Fowlkes, Williamson, and Millican. Also present were Mr. Paul B. Ivey, Land Agent, Mr. Stanley T. Martin, Senior Administrative Assistant, Parks Department, and Jack Delius, General Manager of Parks and Recreation.

Mr. Ivey presented the most recently obtained appraisal on 11.019 acres of land commonly referred to as the Field Road Park Site adjacent to Bowen Homes on James Jackson Parkway. A Federal application for Open-Space assistance and participation had been filed in 1964 which included two park sites in addition to the Field Road location. Mr. Martin has determined from HUD that the letter of consent received some months ago on the original application is still valid for the purchase of the Field Road Site. Jack Delius advised the Park Committee that the Federal grant on Field Road would only be 30% of the purchase price instead of the new 50% since the application was approved prior to the new 50% assistance law. Mr. Delius advised the Committee that there still remains in the 1963 Bond Fund approximately \$117,000 which is being held for the purchase of the Field Road Park Site as well as the West End Park Site. Additional land purchase funds are available from the recent windfall received from the State as well as a modest amount of money in the General Fund of the Parks Department for the purchase of land.

The Aldermanic Parks Committee unanimously agreed and directed that the Land Agent proceed with condemnation procedures on the purchase of the Field Road Park Site. Condemnation will be necessary in that in the opinion of the City Attorney the title is clouded.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Jack C. Delius

October 17, 1967

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mr. A. P. Brindley, Parks Engineer
FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks & Recreation
SUBJECT: Pedestrian footbridge, Gun Club Park Site (Perry Homes)

Mr. Bathke of the Atlanta Housing Authority has advised me on October 16, 1967 that the Housing Assistance Authority has authorized the expenditure of up to \$6,000 for the Atlanta Housing Authority to spend on the construction of a pedestrian footbridge designed by Mr. Bathke to cross Proctor Creek in order to make Gun Club Park Site readily accessible to portions of Perry Homes Housing Project. Mr. Bathke said it was now the responsibility of the Atlanta Housing Authority to somehow work this \$6,000 into their internal budget limitations for the Perry Housing Project and to of course obtain bids for the total project including abutments, etc. not to exceed this sum.

cc: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Mr. Charlie Devon
All members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee

*Mayor
Allen*



October 11, 1967

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mr. A. P. Brindley, Parks Engineer; Mr. Charlie Devon,
Assistant Parks Engineer

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks & Recreation

SUBJECT: Footbridge for Gun Club Park Site

In response to my letter to Mr. Boggs of the Housing Division of the Atlanta Housing Authority concerning the now famous foot-bridge across Proctor Creek to serve the residents of Perry Homes attempting to use Gun Club Park, Mr. Bathke contacted me on October 5 and explained in detail the revision in his thinking of the type of bridge that should be put in. He is suggesting that either holes be drilled for foundation footings and filled under pressure with some type high strength concrete reinforced with steel rods or, that steel sheeting be driven vertically in the ground and back filled with concrete. The pre-stressed U-shaped concrete beam would then be set across the creek and anchored to the abutments. Mr. Bathke has rejected the single bid received on September 19 in the amount of some \$10,000 and now estimates that his new scheme will run somewhere in the neighborhood of \$6400 to \$6700. I gave him the name of at least reputable drilling company that could move their rig on to the terrain - he was quite concerned that the nature of the location was such that a drilling rig could not be brought in. Mr. Bathke assured me that he is in contact with the Housing Assistance Authority toward asking for an amendment to their budget for Perry Homes which would include the expenditure of building this bridge. He pledged to me his complete cooperation in expediting this whole matter and apparently Atlanta Housing Authority so far at least has taken the position that they will bear this expense. A copy of this memo goes to Mayor Allen in that he graciously agreed to follow up my letter to Mr. Boggs and add his support to our several requests.

October 9, 1967

Mr. N. F. Novak, ACSW
Director
Agency Relations Division
Community Chest
Metropolitan Atlanta Community Services, Inc.
P. O. Box 1038
Atlanta, Georgia 30301

Dear Mr. Novak:

Thank you very much for your letter of October 4, 1967 advising that \$2500 has been allocated toward the support and participation in the Park and Recreation Plan being developed by the Community Council, Planning Department, E.O.A., and this Department. As I understand it, for bookkeeping purposes, the funds allocated are being made available to the Community Council of Atlanta, a Chest member agency.

Needless to say, we particularly appreciate this financial support and assuring you of our desire to come up with the best possible plan to benefit our community, I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Aldermanic Parks Committee
Mr. Dan Sweat
Mr. Eric Harkness
Miss Virginia Carmichael

October 12, 1967

MEMORANDUM

TO : Virginia Carmichael
FROM : Ann Moses

Please look over the attached material and give me your thoughts on it.

The Youth Council meetings, scheduled for November 14-15, have been called off as you know.

I will plan to set up an appointment for her to come see the Mayor, but I hope we can take more advantage of her presence from the Recreation standpoint.

Advise.

Attachments

October 9, 1967

Mrs. Dan Plaster, Sr.
341 Allison Drive, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Plaster:

Thank you for your recent letter to Mayor Allen which has been forwarded to this office regarding the National Society of Southern Dames of America meeting which will convene in Atlanta next June.

Permission is granted for your organization to place a memorial wreath on the Henry Grady Monument at Five Points on Sunday afternoon, June 23, 1968. Although this department controls all monuments in the City located on public property, we of course do not have jurisdiction over public streets and I therefore suggest that you contact Superintendent Fred W. Beerman, Atlanta Police Department, and advise him of your plans and the fact that this department has given its sanction so that if it is necessary the Police Department may arrange to have traffic officers on location to assist in traffic control, etc.

We wish for you every possible success with your meeting and if there is any way we can be of service do not hesitate to advise and I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Supt. Fred W. Beerman

October 10, 1967

Mr. Ted Ahl
227 New Wing, S.M.C.
Collegedale, Tennessee 37315

Dear Mr. Ahl:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter regarding your recent visit to Grant Park.

I am forwarding your complaints along to the Parks Committee and I am sure they will appreciate hearing from you. On the other hand, we are quite proud of the capital improvements made at Grant Park, particularly replacing the "murky green lake" with the Childrens' Zoo which attracts over 70,000 people each week-end.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Jack Delius

October 4, 1967

Mr. Jack C. Delius, General Manager
Parks Department - City of Atlanta
City Hall
Ninth Floor
56 Mitchell Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Delius:

As noted by the attached correspondence, the Community Chest, as an indication of its support and participation in the recreation plan for the city of Atlanta, has allocated \$2,500 to this activity as requested by the Mayor's Office, Atlanta Parks and Recreation Department, Community Council and the other participants in this study project.

For bookkeeping purposes, the \$2,500 Chest allocation is being made to you through the Community Council of Atlanta, a Chest member agency.

Sincerely,

N. F. Novak, ACSW
Director
Agency Relations Division

NFN/bg

cc: Study Participants

October 10, 1967

MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Ann Moses

From: R. Earl Landers

I have discussed the attached with Jack Delius, and we would like to make two suggestions as follows:

1. We have two tracts of land for recreational purposes at Lake Allatoona. One tract is fairly well developed with cottages and a playing field. Further development could be made there, including lighting of the playing field. The other tract has not been developed, and there could be great possibilities there for complete development.
2. The Land Agent has submitted a list of some twenty odd remnants of parcels acquired in connection with expressways, etc. that could be developed as beauty spots all over the City. This could be a good project for Kiwanis to participate in, and we could even erect small plaques at the various locations indicating that these beauty spots were made possible by Kiwanis.

If they desire to follow up on either of these suggestions, they should contact Jack Delius.

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Attachment



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Atlanta, Georgia 30303

October 5, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Capt. George Royal, Mayor's Office, Mr. Henry Lovett
(For routing through Parks Office), and Mr. B. C. Ayers,
Sexton, Oakland Cemetery

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks and Recreation *JD*

I am enclosing a Xerox copy of a letter as well as a statement of policy and procedure recently approved by the Fulton County Board of Commissioners concerning the burial of indigent persons in Fulton County. I know from time to time all of you receive inquiries as to who is responsible for the handling of burial of paupers, etc. and I believe the attached Xerox material will be of interest to you.

*Ann
Betty
Linda*





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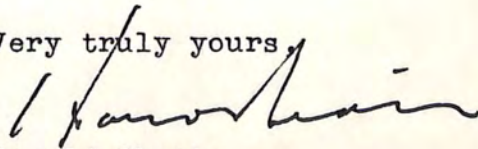
October 3, 1967

Mr. Jack Delius
Superintendent of Parks
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Delius:

In our conversation the other day about the burial of indigent persons in Fulton County you expressed interest in the procedure whereby such burial is authorized. I attach copy of the statement of policy and procedure which was approved by the County Commission in June, 1966. Approval on that date merely summarized the custom which has been found to be satisfactory for a number of years.

Very truly yours,


Harold Sheats,
County Attorney

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Procedures Manual
Subject **Burial of Indigent Persons**
 At Fulton County Expense

Statement of Policy: Fulton County shall pay for the burial of persons who are paupers and destitute and who are residents of Fulton County at the time of death, provided that they have an indigent status and that the next of kin, or others, will not assume responsibility. Section 23-2304 of the Georgia Code of 1933, as amended, shall apply as to the legal authority and obligation on the part of the County in bearing expense for interment of the indigent. The Clerk of the County Commission shall be responsible for preparing and maintaining a record of information on all indigent burials and shall be responsible for approving invoices submitted for payment by the various cemeteries. The Comptroller is hereby authorized to pay approved invoices as submitted by the Clerk of the Commission.

Procedure:

1. The Clerk of the County Commission shall complete Request for Indigent Burial at Fulton County Expense form in original and one copy when the County is called upon to bury a body. When the Clerk of the County Commission has documented facts that the body is indigent and no other person will assume responsibility the Clerk will prepare a requisition and attach thereto copy of Request for Indigent Burial at Fulton County Expense and forward to the Purchasing Agent in order that a Purchase Order may be written in favor of the cemetery where the body is to be interred. The Clerk will maintain as a permanent record the original of Request for Indigent Burial at Fulton County Expense.

2. The Purchase Order shall be the authority for the cemetery of interment to bury the indigent body.

3. Upon receipt of invoice from the cemetery for services rendered, the Clerk of the County Commission will approve same, if in order, and forward to the Comptroller for payment.

4. The Comptroller shall pay the cemetery of interment upon receipt of approved invoice from the Clerk.

References: Letter, County Attorney, dated May 13, 1966
Section 23-2304 of the Georgia Code of 1933, as amended.

Date of Approval: June 15, 1966

Agencies Directly Affected: Clerk of County Commission, Comptroller,
External Auditor

October 6, 1967

Mrs. Dan Plaster, Sr.
341 Allison Drive, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30305

Dear Mrs. Plaster:

Thank you for your nice letter, and I am delighted to learn that the National Society of Southern Dames of America will convene in Atlanta next June.

I am forwarding your letter to Mr. Jack Delius, General Manager of the Parks Department, in order that the necessary action may be taken to issue the Society a permit to place the wreath at the Henry Grady Monument.

I shall look forward to hearing from you as your plans develop.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr:lp

CC: Mr. Jack Delius

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September 29, 1967

Mr. Christopher B. Manos
General Manager
Theater Under the Stars
Municipal Theater, Inc.
Howell House Hotel
710 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Chris:

I appreciate your recent telephone call advising me that beginning in 1968 Theater Under the Stars will move from the amphitheater at Chastain Memorial Park to the new Civic Center on Piedmont Avenue. We certainly have mixed emotions about you moving since it has become quite a tradition to have you at Chastain Park but we wish you every possible success in the coming years at the Auditorium and we can well appreciate that you can finally dismiss from your mind the threat of unpredictable weather, etc.

Although your annual lease has now expired on the amphitheater you still have several years running on your original five year lease for the large steel storage building you have in the park where you build props and other apparatus. In addition, I believe you've advised that you have obtained access to the old White Alms House at Chastain Park which still belongs to Fulton County. In view of the storage capacity you now have in the Alms House as well as your large warehouse, we would like to request that at your earliest convenience you proceed to remove all of your property from the amphitheater including the dressing rooms, wardrobe room, etc. Some of the locks on the property belong to your company and should be removed and taken with you and I think that a number of your personnel have keys that fit City locks and we ask that these be turned in to Mr. Chamblee out at the park. One of your stage managers - I just don't know exactly who - reached an agreement with our Mr. Chamblee that if the City permitted part of the amphitheater to be painted a sand color for your magnificent opera that when it was concluded you would repaint the structure to its original color. We would appreciate having this done before bad weather sets in.

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Mr. Menos
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September 29, 1967

It is the express wish of the Aldermanic Parks Committee that the amphitheater, which is a fine facility, be utilized to its maximum by various civic groups, high school graduations, etc. In the past, there have been some minor conflicts because of the mammoth amount of paraphernalia you necessarily had to have for your stage productions. In one instance, you may recall that the Third Army Band was not able to get on the stage without some difficulty because of the clutter. It is for this reason that we ask that you proceed to clear out the amphitheater so that it might be made available for any group which might be approved by the City in using the facility.

In recent years, the City has encouraged the use of the amphitheater for high school graduations, Camp Fire Girl ceremonies, civic activities, etc. As you know, in a few rare instances, we have commercially rented the facility at \$350 per night to such people as Chet Atkins and Floyd Cramer. We have already been approached by a local Atlantans who have expressed an interest in bringing shows into the City. As far as we're concerned, Municipal Theater, Inc. still remains part of our City family and I'm sure that you will receive full support from the Auditorium Manager, Mr. Roy Elrod, and any others of us that can be of service.

Again, wishing you the very best success with your 1968 season at your new location, I am

Cordially,

JACK C. DELIUS
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor ✓
All members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee
Mr. Fred W. Boswell
Mr. J. D. Chamblee

CITY OF ATLANTA

IVAN ALLEN, JR.
MAYOR

August 7, 1967

Mr. James H. Hall, Sr.
c/o Mrs. Lynn Hall Mitchell
Oakland City Apartments
Apartment 4C
Oakland Drive
East Point, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hall:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 31 regarding the circumstances surrounding your daughter's resignation from the Parks Department.

I am requesting a report of this matter and I will be in touch with you when it is received.

Sincerely,


Ivan Allen, Jr.

IAJr:eo

→ CC: Mr. Jack Delius, General Manager
Parks and Recreation Department

August 14, 1967

Mrs. Ralph D. Wilson
725 E. Morningside Drive, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30324

Dear Mrs. Wilson:

Thank you very much for your kind letter regarding
Dr. Buchanan.

I am forwarding your letter to Mr. Jack Delius,
General Manager of the Parks Department, as I
am sure he will appreciate your kind remarks as
well as the notation about the value of the trees.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Jack Delius

August 14, 1967

Mr. T. Rockwell Wade
132 Woodward Avenue, S. E.
Apartment 593
Atlanta, Georgia 30312

Dear Mr. Wade:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter regarding the City Parks.

I am forwarding this information to Mr. Jack Delius, General Manager of the Parks Department, in order that these matters might be brought to the attention of the Parks Committee.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Jack Delius



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

August 9, 1967



Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor, City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you for your memorandum and attached correspondence concerning the suggestion of Mr. Francis M. Young to replace bricks around the trees on Peachtree Street with small gravel so as to eliminate the possibility of the bricks being used as ammunition in the event of a riot.

There are approximately 71 trees in the downtown area which now have bricks around the base. In most instances, this is common red brick and can be easily replaced with white chipped marble gravel. We are arranging to replace the majority of the bricks; however, on Peachtree Street near Harris in front of the First National Bank branch, there are four trees which have a very attractive, and apparently specially made, four inch by four inch brick which were obviously selected to blend in with the new Peachtree Center decor. Although it is true these particular bricks could certainly be used as ammunition, we would hesitate to yank them up since someone has apparently gone to considerable expense having them placed there. Therefore, I think at least for the time being that we won't bother these located on Peachtree near Harris but if you have any feelings to the contrary please advise and we will proceed to do something about it.

Thank you for your continued interest, I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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MICHAEL HACK ASSOCIATES, INC.
ARCHITECTS A.I.A.
701 HENRY GRADY BUILDING • ATLANTA 3, GEORGIA

CABLE ADDRESS:
SWISSCO

PHONE: JA 3-1714

August 11, 1967

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Mayor:

Several weeks ago, I had occasion to call on the services of Dr. Buchanan, Entymologist for the City of Atlanta Department of Parks.

Dr. Buchanan was most helpful and cooperative in pointing out various trees on a residential construction site that were in danger of developing disease; and also, he was most explicit in explaining the treatment of those trees already diseased.

On behalf of my client and myself, I wish to thank you for availing us of this particular service.

Sincerely yours,

ROGER W. VAUGHN
Project Manager

RWV:avd

Carbon Copies to: Mr. Jack Delius, Dept. of Parks
Dr. Buchanan, Entymologist

File

August 8, 1967

Mr. Charles L. Davis
Comptroller
City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Charles:

Thank you very much for sending me a copy of Local Public Agency Letter No. 420 which relates to a none-cash grant-in-aid credit of 25% cost of the facility used for cultural, exhibition, or civic purposes. I agree with you that the definition does, in fact, fit the Cyclorams. Since all of Grant Park is surrounded by and included in the Model City Area, I wonder if we place the new structure back in Grant Park if we would be eligible for this 25% credit.

The Aldermanic Parks Committee plans to hold a formal discussion of the best location for the new Cyclorama at the regular monthly meeting on August 15, 1967, at 2:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2. A number of interested citizens have been asked to attend and give their opinions as to the best location for the Cyclorama. I think it would be very advisable for you or perhaps George Berry to put in an appearance and perhaps discuss the financial advantages to the City as relates to grant-in-aid credit towards the cost of an urban renewal project or the Model City project.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mr. R. Earl Lenders, Mayor's Office
All members Aldermanic Parks Committee



CITY OF ATLANTA

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER
CITY HALL

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

August 1, 1967

CHARLES L. DAVIS
COMPTROLLER

EDGAR A. VAUGHN, JR.
DEPUTY COMPTROLLER

Mr. Jack C. Delius
General Manager
Parks and Recreation
City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Jack:

I am enclosing a copy of Local Public Agency Letter No. 420 which relates to a noncash grant-in-aid credit of twenty-five percent of the cost of a facility that is to be used for cultural, exhibition or civic purposes. This I believe will well fit the definition of a Cyclorama. It might be possible that if other federal aid is not available for relocation of the Cyclorama perhaps we could relocate it adjacent to Grant Park in an urban renewal project which is yet undetermined.

I furnish you this information for your use in the construction or the relocation of the Cyclorama.

Sincerely,

Charles L. Davis
Comptroller


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Enclosure

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August 9, 1967

Mr. James H. Hall, Sr.
c/o Mrs. Lynn Hall Mitchell
Oakland City Apartments
Apartment 4C
Oakland Drive
East Point, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hall:

I have received the report from the Parks Department regarding your daughter's employment.

May I assure you that there was no discrimination on the part of the Parks Department because of your daughter's slight birth defect. After several periods of absenteeism and what seemed to be a lack of interest Miss Murchison deemed it wise to talk with Mrs. Mitchell and advise her to seek employment elsewhere.

On the morning of July 31, she advised the Parks Department that she was resigning and her resignation was accepted in good standing.

If I can be of further service, please advise.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr:eo

CC: Miss Virginia Carmichael, Parks Department

J. U. Aug. 14

August 7, 1967

Mr. James H. Hall, Sr.
c/o Mrs. Lynn Hall Mitchell
Oakland City Apartments
Apartment 4C
Oakland Drive
East Point, Georgia

Dear Mr. Hall:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 31 regarding the circumstances surrounding your daughter's resignation from the Parks Department.

I am requesting a report of this matter and I will be in touch with you when it is received.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr:eo

CC: Mr. Jack Delius, General Manager
Parks and Recreation Department

Oakland City Apartments
Oakland Dr
Apt 4C
East

Atlanta, Georgia
July 31, 1967

Mr. Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

I'm writing this letter to you in regards to my daughter, Lynn Hall Mitchell who was employed by the city of Atlanta Recreation Department until to-day when she resigned. She was discriminated, intimated and threatened with her being fired, until she was forced to resign.

She was off one day when her husband was very sick, and about two and a half hours another day to go to the Health department to take her physical. Miss Mercherson told her she had been out four days which her attendance record would prove is not true. Lynn just graduated from Southwest DeKalb with average grades and she so wanted to work for the city, but it seems Mrs. Mercherson had a friend who wanted the job. Lynn had a slight speech defect, from birth and I'm sure this is why she was discriminated against and I'm sure you being a man of honor can give her a job. She resigned to keep Miss Mercherson from having the satisfaction of having fired her. I think you should investigate this office and if it was not any thing Lynn had done, you should see that she gets a job in some other department as she don't want to work for Miss Mercherson again.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Miss Mercherson as I want her to know that the speech defect (which is very slight) that my daughter has is the work of God, and I hope she can sleep well after this dirty deal she gave my daughter. I can see why she is still a 'MISS'.

Yours very truly,

James H. Hall, Sr.

P.S. I have a son in Viet Nam but wonder why --
for Miss Mercherson?



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Recreation

August 8, 1967

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor of Atlanta
City Hall
City of Atlanta
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Sir:

This is in answer to your letter in regard to Mrs. Lynn Mitchell.

Mrs. Mitchell was referred to us from the Personnel Department and employed on July 3, 1967 by the Recreation Division of the Parks Department. Her duties were as follows: typing, cutting and running of stencils, and filing.

During her short period of employment, she was out: July 12 from 8:30 to 12:30 to see her personal physician, July 14 Health Department recheck for physical, which we allowed her to do, July 17 she was out the entire day due to the illness of her husband.


On July 18, Miss Murchison, who handles the personnel, deemed it wise to talk with Mrs. Mitchell and advised her to seek employment elsewhere due to the pattern she was following of absenteeism, also lack of interest in her position.

She went to the Personnel Department and was referred to the Police Department. She stated that she was not interested in working in that Department. She was, also, referred to the Board of Education and went for an interview.

On the morning of July 31, she decided of her own accord that she would resign. We accepted her resignation in good standing.

I trust that this information is satisfactory. I am,

Yours sincerely,



Jack C. Delius

General Manager of Parks



Virginia Carmichael

Director of Recreation

JD/VC/cap

LANCE ROOFING COMPANY, INC.

57 WEYMAN AVENUE, S.W.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30315

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August 7, 1967

Mr Jack C. Dilius
Atlanta Parks Department
260 Central Avenue SW
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr Dilius:

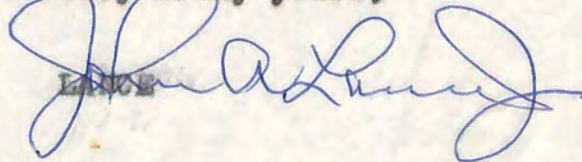
At the May meeting of the Parks Committee a motion was made and unanimously passed to develop the property on (or near) Oak Drive SW into a park at the earliest date possible.

At this meeting I represented the Southeast Atlanta Athletic Association and as we stated then we have more than 600 boys enrolled in a baseball program in the community. We are in need of a field for the larger boys, over fifteen, to play on.

On August 14 the Southeast Atlanta Athletic Association is having their annual mass meeting of the membership, at this time we would like to report to them the plans of the Parks Department regarding this field.

If we may be of any assistance to you please call upon us.

Very truly yours,


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JAL/la

cc: Leftwich, Folkes,
Williamson & Millican

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August 1, 1967

Mr. Obie Shelton
Executive Vice President
Atlanta Chamber of Commerce
1400 Commerce Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Shelton:

During a recent Called Meeting of the Aldermanic Parks Committee the members informally discussed at my request the best location for the Cyclorama of the Battle of Atlanta if and when we reached the point where financing is available for restoration and a new home. The Committee directed that we bring this matter up for a formal decision at the regular meeting scheduled for August 15, 1967 at 2:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2 of the City Hall. Members of the Committee further asked that I correspond with you and invite you to attend this meeting in the event that you would like to express an opinion on the best location for the Cyclorama. If it should be inconvenient for you to attend on August 15 and you would care to write the undersigned, it would be my pleasure to present your views and opinions to the Aldermen. We particularly appreciate your continued interest in the Cyclorama which is obviously our most valuable physical historical possession and trusting you can attend on August 15, I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mr. Gordon F. Price, Southeastern Underwriter's Association
Mr. Beverly DuBose, Attorney at Law
Mr. Franklin M. Garrett, Coca-Cola Company
Mr. Wilbur Kurtz, Jr., Coca-Cola Company
All members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee
Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor of Atlanta
Mr. R. Earl Landers, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor ✓

July 26, 1967

A Called Meeting of the Aldermanic Parks Committee was held on Wednesday, July 26, 1967 at 2:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the City Hall Annex. Present were Aldermen Charlie Leftwich, Buddy Fowlkes, Q. V. Williamson, and G. Everett Millican. Also present was Mr. R. Earl Lander, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor, Mr. Charles L. Davis, City Comptroller, Mr. Woody Underwood of the Comptroller's Staff, Mr. Eric Harkness of the Planning Department, and Messrs. Jack C. Delius, Stan Martin, A. P. Brindley, and Stan Ayer, of the Parks Department.

Chairman Leftwich stated that the primary purpose of the called meeting was to discuss the recent allocation of some \$350,000 by the Finance Committee to the Department of Parks for emergency-type activities in the Parks Department. Mr. Leftwich explained that the funds were allocated only for capital improvements, etc. and were not intended to be for operating costs and other everyday items. Mr. Leftwich distributed a preliminary list of priorities drawn up by the Park Staff. A considerable discussion took place by members of the Park Committee as to just how priorities should be established and the best ways to spend the fund. It was unanimously agreed that whenever and wherever possible the money should be utilized for projects qualifying under 50% aid assistance from the Federal government through either the Land and Water Conservation Act or the Open Space Program. Although additional park lands are desperately needed and should be purchased while still available, it was generally felt by the Committee that the funds should be spent on Parks already purchased and owned by the City of Atlanta so that these facilities might be placed in service at the earliest possible date. The City Comptroller has pointed out that the City of Atlanta is officially committed to the purchase in the immediate future of an Urban Renewal Park Site in the Western portion of the Rawson-Washington Urban Renewal Area and a park site adjacent to the W. C. Hills School in the Bedford-Pine Urban Renewal Area. Other urban renewal park sites were considered too far off in the future to commit funds at the present time. Alderman Williamson felt that the Peyton Road Project should be deferred at this time since it is in a middle class community and not a disadvantaged area. The General Manager pointed out that Peyton Road was the only park site purchased under the 1963 Bond Program that had received no development or allocation of funds and while in principle the majority of the funds should go to disadvantaged areas of the City, some development should start on the Peyton Road Site. Alderman Fowlkes expressed an opinion that all the funds should be used for development, an opinion generally expressed by the General Manager. Alderman Millican stated that one of the best ways to use the money would be to light ball fields for night-time use.

The following list was finally decided upon and received the unanimous approval of the Parks Committee:

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ALLOCATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY FUND

PARKS DEPARTMENT

	<u>TOTAL COST</u>	<u>POSSIBLE FEDERAL FUNDS</u>	<u>NET COST TO CITY</u>
1. PEYTON ROAD 1st STAGE	60,000	30,000	30,000
a) Necessary site preparation including storm drainage, grading, grassing.			
b) Drive and parking			
c) Ball diamond			
d) Paved court areas			
e) Children's play areas			
2. DANIEL STANTON 2nd STAGE	25,000	12,500	12,500
a) Paved court areas			
b) Paved walk and skating circle			
c) Planting (trees & shrubs)			
3. HARPER 2nd STAGE	25,000	12,500	12,500
a) Drive and parking			
b) Paved court areas			
c) Children's play areas			
d) Adult recreation areas			
4. GUN CLUB 3rd STAGE	150,000	75,000	75,000
a) Major size swimming pool, bathhouse, and necessary surrounding site work			
5. CENTER HILL (Improvement to existing park)	40,000	20,000	20,000
a) Required site preparation, grading and drainage			
b) Park drive and parking			
c) Paved court area			
d) Children's play area			
e) Relighting of existing ball field			

	<u>TOTAL COST</u>	<u>POSSIBLE FEDERAL FUNDS</u>	<u>NET COST TO CITY</u>
6. ANDERSON PARK (improvement to existing park)	50,000	25,000	25,000
a) Required site preparation grading and drainage			
b) Park drive and parking			
c) Paved court area			
d) Children's play area			
7. BENTEEN 2nd STAGE	30,000	15,000	15,000
a) Complete drive and parking			
b) Paved court area			
c) Children's play area			
d) Planting (trees & shrubs)			
8. THOMASVILLE 3rd STAGE	28,000	14,000	14,000
a) Additional drive & parking			
b) Children's play area			
c) Paved walks			
d) Ball field lighting			
9. Purchase of park in Rawson - Washington Urban Renewal Area (adjacent to public housing)	65,500	32,750	32,750
10. Purchase of C. W. Hill School park site in Bedford-Pine Urban Renewal area.	140,000	70,000	70,000
11. Purchase of additional park land throughout the city - to be decided with the help of the City Planning Department.	86,500	43,250	43,250
TOTALS	700,000	350,000	350,000

The last item on the proposed budget, number 11, concerns the purchase of additional park land throughout the City. Alderman Leftwich and other members of the Committee expressed an opinion that in the event that estimates of construction were too low on some of the other projects that item 11 in part at least could be diverted to make up deficits. Stan Martin, Parks Administrative Assistant, has already requested the City Planning Department to make a survey to determine where additional parks lands are needed. Mr. Martin has already requested Mr. Collier Gladin, the City Planning Engineer, to up date the 1961 Park Plan.

The General Manager was directed to forward immediately to the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen the above suggested allocation of the \$350,000.

The General Manager then requested the Chairman of the Parks Committee to take up the discussion of the proposed location of the new Cyclorama if and when it is constructed. Mr. Delius feels that the Cyclorama should remain in Grant Park since it is located on the fringe of the actual Battle of Atlanta which the Cyclorama depicts, has been in the park for some eighty years, is internationally advertised as being in Grant Park, and is adjacent to ample parking, the zoo, and Fort Walker. All members of the Committee agreed that the best location for the Cyclorama was for it to remain in Grant Park. Mr. Delius explained that there was some feeling among certain individuals that if the Cyclorama is rebuilt it be located in a downtown area possibly adjacent to the auditorium where it would be immediately accessible to tourist traffic, etc. The Chairman of the Parks Committee suggested that at the next Park Committee meeting on August 15, 1967, that the matter be formally voted upon but that in the meantime Mr. Delius should contact all those individuals who have expressed an interest in where the new Cyclorama should be located and invite them to come before the August 15th meeting. The Committee agreed that any and everything should be done possible within the capacity of our present finances to begin study towards the renovation of the painting proper and the construction of the new Cyclorama building.

Mr. Charles Davis, City Comptroller, suggested to the Committee and the Parks Department that work should begin immediately on applications for matching Federal funds relative to the above mentioned \$350,000 and that in addition, applications should be submitted for the purchase of park lands in the norther portion of the West End Urban Renewal Area and in the Rockdale Urban Renewal Area. In the case of the latter project, originally only one park site was suggested for Rockdale; however, there appears to be three park sites now with two being donated and one having to be purchased by the City. Mr. Davis said that somehow or other funds would be made available for a park in the northern portion of the West End Urban Renewal project and in the Rockdale Urban Renewal Project.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

May 8, 1967

Mr. Francis C. Smith
717 Woodward Way, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30327

Dear Mr. Smith:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of
May 1st regarding the planned bicycle and hiking
trail in the Peachtree Creek area.

I am forwarding your letter to the Parks Committee
for consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Jack Delius

July 27, 1967

Mr. E. Lewis King
45 - 3rd Street, N.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Mr. King:

This morning I received from Mr. Douglas R. Cockrill, Assistant Trust Officer of the First National Bank of Atlanta, a check from an anonymous donor in the amount of \$5418.00 to be used specifically to cover the cost of one Laykold Tennis Court at the new Shady Valley Park Site. Although, the donor does wish to remain anonymous I wish you would take it upon yourself to extend to him the official appreciation of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and more particularly the Department of Parks and Recreation for his or her generosity.

I am this date asking the City Comptroller to deposit the check in the appropriate account for this project.

The contract has been entered into with F. T. Brown & Company, Inc. for the first phase construction of Shady Valley Park. The construction time is estimated to be 120 consecutive calendar days.

Again, our appreciation, I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
All members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee

August 2, 1967

MEMORANDUM

TO : Jack Delius
FROM : Ivan Allen, Jr.

Representative Bill Lee of Clayton County, and an official of the Southern Railway discussed with me yesterday the erection of a fence at Pittman Park to prevent people from crossing the railroad tracks and entering Pittman Park on the north or northeast.

I would appreciate it if you would look into this matter and be certain that the Parks Committee is fully aware of the circumstances and determine what action, if any, should be taken by the Parks Department.

IAJr:am

From

(Mr) Jean CARRETTE
Professeur d'Anglais
Lycée Jean-Perrin
59 LAMBERSART
FRANCE

2 July 1967

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Dear Sir

Would you please be so kind as to let me have some free tourist literature & posters to help in my ~~teach~~ work in teaching English and depict a typical Southern environment for my classroom.

I beg to point out that the following texts will form the literary background of my teaching:

Stephen Crane : The Red Badge of Courage
Margaret Mitchell : Gone with the Wind
Louis Bromfield : Wild is the River
Richard Wright : Black Boy

With best thanks & every Good Wish

Yours sincerely

J Carrette

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July 27, 1967

Mrs. Lee A. Worthy
555 East Anthony Street, N. W.
Atlanta 18, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Worthy:

In further reply to your letter of July 15, this is to advise that a work order has been issued to modify the drainage ditch at the rear of 555 East Anthony Street.

This will be done at the earliest possible date.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr:eo



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

July 25, 1967



M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks & Recreation

SUBJECT: Maddox Park drainage ditch flooding 555 E. Anthony Street, N.W.

The Assistant Park Engineer has checked this problem and found that we need to modify the drainage ditch to some degree to prevent water from running on to the rear of 555 E. Anthony Street, N.W.

A work order has been given the Park Maintenance Superintendent to carry out this function at the earliest possible date.

Correspondence pertaining to this matter is herewith attached.

CC: Mr. Pierce Whitley

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555 East Anthony Street N.W.
Atlanta 18, Georgia
July 15, 1967

Mayor Ivan Allen
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir,

*Darius please
Give me a answer
Rm*

I am writting you hoping you are able to help me in some way. I live at 555 E. Anthony St. N.W., my back yard is at the base of Maddox Park where there is a ditch that belongs to the city. When it rains the ditch overuns with water, the water therefore backs up into my back-door into my house and my whole downstairs is then flooded with water. When this happens I have to send my children to stay at my mother until we can get the house dry from the water. My baby has taken pneumonia from the house being flooded in the last rains.

I have called the Sewage and Park Departments concerning the problem, but I have got no results from the departments.

The ditch needs to be dug deeper or something so that the water will not be overrun with water during a rain.

If you can give me any kind of help to stop the the water from flooding my house I would appreciate your help. I feel that you will help me with my problem.

Sincerely yours,

*A citizen of Atlanta
Mrs. Lee a Garity*

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W.A.

July 17, 1967

Mrs. Lee A. Worthy
555 East Anthony Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30318

Dear Mrs. Worthy:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter regarding the ditch behind your property.

I am asking the Construction Department to look into this matter and advise me of their findings. I will be back in touch with you when this information is received.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr:eo

CC: Mr. Ray Nixon, Chief of Construction ✓

Office of the Mayor

ROUTE SLIP

TO: Ray Nixon

FROM: Ivan Allen, Jr.

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JUL 17 1967
CITY OF ATLANTA
CONSTRUCTION DEPT.

- For your information
- Please refer to the attached correspondence and make the necessary reply.
- Advise me the status of the attached.

C. C. Please Give
me a report
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CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of CONSTRUCTION

301 CITY HALL

Atlanta 3, Georgia

July 19, 1967

RAY A. NIXON
Chief of Construction

RICHARD W. RESPES
ASST. CHIEF OF CONSTRUCTION

ROBERT H. MORRIS
ASST. CHIEF OF CONSTRUCTION

MEMO

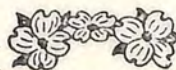
TO: Ray A. Nixon - Director of Public Works

FROM: Ken Lancaster

As directed, an investigation was made at #555 East Anthony Street N. W. to determine if we could be of assistance in the solution of a flood problem.

We found that storm water from the streets does not flow into this drain ditch, and, therefore, responsibility by this Department cannot be justified. However, there is a great volume of storm water flowing into this ditch from City property belonging to the Parks Department. I believe, it would relieve the problem of this ditch overflowing onto this person's property if this water was intercepted and directed to Proctor Creek. This could be accomplished by constructing a bunker at the top of the small ditch bank or by the grading of a small berm ditch parallel to the existing one.

RKL/pae



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July 21*

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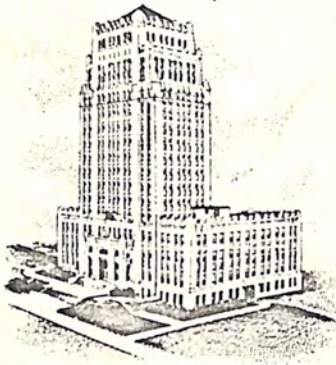
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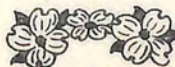
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July 21, 1967

Mr. Dillon Winship, Jr.
President
Georgia Highway Express, Inc.
2090 Jonesboro Road, S.E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

Dear Mr. Dillon:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 11, 1967 addressed to Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., concerning your gracious offer to assist in our recreation program and facilities.

I think you have an excellent suggestion in the use of worn out tractors as a play object for children. We have been considering for several weeks of acquiring an antiquated jet fighter plane and similar equipment and build a playlot somewhat like the John F. Kennedy Memorial Playground in Washington, D. C. Our problem at the present time is that of all the thirty some odd playlots that we have leased, we hold only a thirty day renewable leasehold and we pay no rent. Most of them are quite small and adequate only to accomodate a swing, slide, in some instances a portable swimming pool, and etc. It does not create too much of a hardship when we lose possession of a given playlot since the equipment is reusable at a permanent park installation or some other area. However, in the case of more unorthodox play objects we would be hard pressed to blend into our master park schemes such objects as P.T. Boats, jet fighters and tractors.

Being as candid as I possible can, there is another problem involved in using anything that is new and unusual in these disadvantaged areas. The problem is that many of the citizens of these areas consider that we use them as guinea pigs and never consider new equipment and facilities for them but merely use cast-off items. We have experienced this to some extent with our portable swimming pools. I believe a number

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Mr. Winship
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of these people would consider a tractor just another piece of "junk" and would accuse us of trying to save funds in not buying swings, slides, jungle-gyms, etc.

Please let me give some more thought to how we might make use of your excellent suggestion and if I can find an area in size and location that it is suitable, I will so advise.

Again, both Mayor Allen and the undersigned deeply appreciate your personal interest and I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr.
Miss Virginia Carmichael, Director of Recreation



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

July 19, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Mr. Charles L. Davis
Comptroller
City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Charles:

Thank you for your letter of July 13, 1967, advising us that the Finance Committee on July 12, 1967, had discussed the problem of financing additional parks and improvements; and, more particularly reference to the additional State Grant funds by which the Finance Committee desires to make some portion available to the Parks Department for additional park sites, etc.

I have called together all of our staff members concerned with park development and acquisition to very carefully review priorities on park projects. At the same time, we considered the City's commitment towards the purchase of four urban renewal park sites located in various areas of the City.

After we completed the attached priority list, we reviewed it with Chairman Leftwich on July 17, 1967. Mr. Leftwich has given his endorsement to the attached proposed disbursement of funds. This entire priority list is based on the fact that we would receive some \$350,000 from the State grant.

As an explanation to you and by copy of this letter an explanation to the other members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee, I would like to explain to you just how we arrived at priorities. First of all, Peyton Road is the only one of the fourteen parks purchased since 1964 which we have not allocated any funds for the development of or have not actually broken ground. In the case of Daniel Stanton Park Site (People's Town), we have under construction at the present time a recreation building and a modest amount of money has been set aside for storm drainage in the park. However,

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this will be a case where we will have a completed recreation building and yet the land immediately surrounding it, etc., will not be usable. We built the park "backward" only because of an existing sub-station structure which could be remodeled into a gymnasium and we felt that having indoor facilities for year-round use took priority over basic site development of the park. In the case of Harper Park, we would like very much to do the second stage and this would virtually finish this facility except for a large project such as possibly a recreation building. In the case of Gun Club, we are not deviating from our announced and formal policy of building only neighborhood size pools since Gun Club is a community size park - the only one purchased under the 1963 Bond Issue. Some 3900 children live immediately adjacent to this park site and we have already installed parking, electrical conduit, sewerage, water supply, etc., as well as lighting (general) for the swimming pool. If we move rapidly, Stan Martin feels that one-half the cost of the swimming pool could be obtained under the Land and Water Conservation Act. As to Center Hill, located on Bankhead Highway, this was at one time a fairly well developed park which fell into disuse and now that the population has surged we feel that we must use a modest amount of our money renovating this facility. It is good level land in an area deficient of parks and we feel like moving very quickly on it. As to Benteen, we are under contract for phase one, which will cover only basic siting and improvements and when we finish this you can hardly tell that anything has been done - it will all be under ground. Therefore, we feel like moving very rapidly into phase two so that the citizens can have something to use. Thomasville Urban Renewal Park is unusual in that we have already gone through phase one and are starting phase two and yet have very little to show the public. It's another case of a lot of money being spent underground to handle drainage, etc. We feel however, that the modest additional expenditure of \$15,000 would virtually complete the park except for a swimming pool or recreation center. As to items 8,9,10, & 11, you have advised me of what you compute the total cost to be and the fact that the City has formerly committed itself to purchasing these lands within urban renewal projects.

The entire priority list, including the purchase of new park lands, is based on the assumption that the City will get 50% assistance from the Federal government either under the open-space program or the Land and Water Conservation Act.

We still have a considerable number of parks which we should move into on phase two such as Benteen, Cleveland, Collier, the funding of Field Road when it's purchased, Shady Valley, Waters, recreation buildings for Washington, Butler, University, Wilson Mill, Wesley, etc.

Mr. Leftwich has asked that in the next few days we have a called meeting of the Parks Committee to formally endorse this priority list and I assume that you will be reviewing the same

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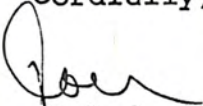
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with your committee.

We are deeply indebted to the City Finance Committee for making available these additional funds and assuring you of our appreciation
I am

Cordially,


Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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CC: Mr. George Berry, Comptroller's Office
All members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee
Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr.

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ALLOCATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY FUND

PARKS DEPARTMENT

	TOTAL COST	POSSIBLE FEDERAL FUNDS	NET COST TO CITY
1. PEYTON ROAD 1st STAGE	60,000	30,000	30,000
a) Necessary site preparation including storm drainage, grading, grassing.			
b) Drive and parking			
c) Ball diamond			
d) Paved court areas			
e) Childrens play areas			
2. DANIEL STANTON 2nd STAGE	25,000	12,500	12,500
a) Paved court areas			
b) Paved walk and skating circle			
c) Planting (trees & shrubs)			
3. HARPER 2nd STAGE	25,000	12,500	12,500
a) Drive and parking			
b) Paved court areas			
c) Childrens play areas			
d) Adult recreation areas			
4. GUN CLUB 3rd STAGE	150,000	75,000	75,000
a) Major size swimming pool, bathhouse, and necessary surrounding site work			

	TOTAL COST	POSSIBLE FEDERAL FUNDS	NET COST TO CITY
5. CENTER HILL (Improvement to existing park)	40,000	20,000	20,000
a) Required site preparation, grading and drainage			
b) Park drive and parking			
c) Paved court area			
d) Childrens play area			
e) Relighting of existing ball field			
6. ANDERSON PARK (improvement to existing park)	50,000	25,000	25,000
a) Required site preparation grading and drainage			
b) Park drive and parking			
c) Paved court area			
d) Childrens play area			
7. BENTEEN 2nd STAGE	30,000	15,000	15,000
a) Complete drive and parking			
b) Paved court area			
c) Childrens play area			
d) Planting (trees & shrubs)			
8. THOMASVILLE 3rd Stage	20,000	10,000	10,000
a) Additional drive & parking			
b) Childrens play area			
c) Paved walks			
9. Purchase of park in Rawson - Washington Urban Renewal Area (adj to public housing)	65,500	32,750	32,750

	TOTAL COST	POSSIBLE FEDERAL FUNDS	NET COST TC CITY
10. Purchase of C. W. Hill School park site in Bedford Pine Urban Renewal Area	140,000	70,000	70,00
11. Purchase of additional park land throughout the city - To be decided with the help of the city planning department.	94,500	47,250	47,250
TOTALS	700,000	350,000	350,000

July 18, 1967

Mr. Dillon Winship, Jr.
President
Georgia Highway Express, Inc.
2090 Jonesboro Road, S. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30315

Dear Dillon:

Thank you very much for your letter and your generous offer to assist in our recreational facilities this summer.

I am referring this to the Director of the Parks Department, Mr. Jack Delius, for his consideration and I am requesting him to correspond with you directly.

With appreciation for your interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Jack Delius



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

July 17, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mayor Allen:

I wish to advise that I will be out of the City on Saturday, July 22, and Sunday, July 23.

In the event that you need me, I may be contacted at the Capri Motel, Magnolia Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee.

In my absence, Mr. Fred W. Boswell, Assistant General Manager of Parks, will be in charge of the Department.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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CC: All Members of the Parks Committee
Mr. Pierce Whitley, Assistant General Manager of Parks
Mr. Stan Martin, Administrative Assistant





CITY OF ATLANTA

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Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

July 20, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Mr. Jesse Hill, Jr., Co-Chairman
Atlanta Summit Leadership Conference
% Atlanta Life Insurance Company
P. O. Box 897
Atlanta, Georgia 30301

Dear Mr. Hill:

Thank you very much for your telephone call to my office on Friday, July 14 and your letter of July 17, 1967, requesting that we withhold the earmarking or commitment of some \$350,000 for park purposes until a committee of the Atlanta Summit Leadership Conference can meet with me.

First of all, the City has formerly committed itself to purchase of park site North of the expressway in the West End Urban Renewal Area; a park site adjacent to the W. C. Hills School in Bedford-Pine Urban Renewal Area; a park site in the Western portion of the Rawson-Washington Urban Renewal Area; and, a park site in the Rockdale Urban Renewal project. Our best information from the City Comptroller is that these park sites must be purchased and are part of the overall Urban Renewal projects for the respective areas of the City. The rather limited funds that are left after the purchase of these properties have been very carefully allocated to a number of urgent projects on the southside, westside, and northeast side of our City. The suggested priority list of projects has been submitted to the Park Committee of the Board of Aldermen and, through the City Comptroller to the Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen. We expect to have a called meeting of the Parks Committee in a few days after the members have had time to review and digest the project list.

Regarding your request to meet with me on Tuesday, July 25, I would certainly be glad to meet with you but I think it would be best for you to discuss your requests with the Parks Committee of the Board of Aldermen since they have the final say-so on priorities, etc., pertaining to Park and Recreation facilities. You may care to correspond with Alderman Charlie Leftwich, the Chairman of our Committee and, of course, Alderman Williamson,

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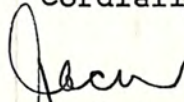
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your Co-Chairman of the Atlanta Summit Leadership Conference, is also a member of the Aldermanic Parks Committee.

If you would still care to meet with me on July 25, just give me a call and thank you for your continued interest, I am

Cordially,



Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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CC: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor, City of Atlanta ✓
Rev. S. W. Williams, Co-Chairman, Atlanta Summit Leadership Conference
Alderman Q. V. Williamson, Co-Chairman, Atlanta Summit Leadership Conference and Member of Aldermanic Parks Committee
Alderman Charlie Leftwich, Chairman, Aldermanic Parks Committee
Alderman Buddy Fowlkes, Vice-Chairman, Aldermanic Parks Committee
Alderman G. Everett Millican, Member, Aldermanic Parks Committee
Honorable Milton Farris, Chairman, Finance Committee
Mr. Charles L. Davis, Comptroller, City of Atlanta



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DEPARTMENT of PARKS

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Atlanta, Georgia 30303

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JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Mr. Gilbert H. Boggs
Director of Housing
Atlanta Housing Authority
824 Hurt Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Boggs:

**SUBJECT: Pedestrian Bridge across Proctor Creek from
Perry Homes to Gun Club Park.**

You may recall that last year I wrote Mr. Earl Metzger regarding the desperate need for a footbridge across Proctor Creek from Perry Homes to the Northeast corner of Gun Club Park. At that time, the estimated cost of a footbridge was between \$10,000 and \$15,000. Since our property line is on our side of the creek and the creek itself lies within the boundaries of the Perry Homes property, we asked that Atlanta Housing Authority consider undertaking the construction of this bridge to provide ingress to the park for the children in the eastern section of Perry Homes.

My letter was referred to you and your reply, dated October 28, 1966, was that the possibility of construction of "the footbridge to serve the park" would not be feasible from the Atlanta Housing Authority's standpoint because you did not have the necessary \$10,000 to \$15,000 nor did you have the authority from the Federal agency which must approve this type of expenditure. You further stated that you did not believe it would be considered an eligible cost.

We would first like to point out that this footbridge would not serve the park. On the contrary, the footbridge would serve the people of Perry Homes. In fact, our whole purpose in acquiring and developing the 42-acre Gun



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Club Park is to provide desperately needed recreation facilities for the more than one thousand families and more than 3200 children and teenagers who have been isolated for so long in the Perry Homes Housing Project.

We are aware of the new installation of culverts and the extension of the roadway from Perry Homes across Proctor Creek providing access to the site of your new 140-unit addition to the Project. However, this is a considerable distance from the proposed location of the footbridge; and the families who live in the eastern section of Perry Homes would face a quite lengthy hike to make their way west to the existing crossing and back through the new section of Perry Homes to the Park. As a matter of fact, many children in the eastern extremity will be able to stand in their yards and see the ball diamonds across the creek. We are convinced that a constant hazard will exist as these children attempt to ford Proctor Creek and make their own shortcut to the lower level of the Park. We feel very strongly that this type of situation should be eliminated and we feel that the Atlanta Housing Authority should accept the responsibility.

Realizing that it would not be feasible for you to spend \$10,000 to \$15,000 for this purpose, we have taken it upon ourselves to explore the possibility of constructing a safe and permanent footbridge at a more feasible cost. Mr. Charles G. Devon, Assistant Parks Engineer, has developed a plan for a bridge constructed of precast-prestressed concrete with hand rails and concrete footings that would cost less than \$1500 in place. Further, we are prepared to offer our technical assistance and labor to supervise and assist in the construction of the bridge. Enclosed is a proposal from Concrete Materials of Georgia, Inc., for the main bridge structure, including its erection, in the amount of \$1,067.53. This does not include the hand rails or the footings for which we would provide the labor and the materials are estimated to be approximately \$400. Also enclosed is a drawing showing details of the plan. In light of this new cost estimate, perhaps you will reconsider the possibility of the Housing Authority funding this bridge.

We have recently completed the first phase development of Gun Club Park at a cost of \$83,541. We have signed the contract for \$52,206 for the second phase development, which will include the ball diamonds on the lower end of the property adjacent to Proctor Creek, and the contractor is expected

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to commence work within a few days. In view of our efforts to complete this park, we sincerely hope that you will make every effort to provide this additional means of access to the park for the residents of Perry Homes.

Thank you for any consideration given our proposal. Please let us know of your decision in this matter.

Sincerely,

Stanley J. Martin, Jr.
Stanley T. Martin, Jr.
Administrative Assistant

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CC: Mr. M. B. Satterfield, Executive Director, Atlanta
Housing Authority
✓ Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mr. Dan Sweat, Director of Governmental Liaison
Mr. John Cox, Atlanta Youth Council
Mr. Arthur Smith, Manager of Perry Homes
Mr. Willie Johnson, Chairman, Constructive Youth
Council of the Northwest Perry Homes Area
Mr. Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks and
Recreation
Mr. A. P. Brindley, Parks Engineer
Mr. Charles G. Devon, Assistant Parks Engineer
Alderman Charlie Leftwich, Chairman, Municipal
Parks Committee
Alderman Buddy Fowlkes, Vice Chairman, Municipal
Parks Committee
Alderman G. Everett Millican, Member, Municipal
Parks Committee
Alderman Q. V. Williamson, Member, Municipal Parks
Committee

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FILE: Cyclorama Reconstruction

The "Battle of Atlanta" painting is unique not only as a large and famous painting, but also, being a cyclorama, it cannot, like most other things, be seen from without, but to view it one must literally get inside the circular canvas which is approximately 120 feet in diameter and 50 feet high. This physical peculiarity places a very important limitation on the cyclorama from an exhibition standpoint and creates a major safety problem. Spectators must either be lowered into the 50-foot high circular picture area from above or brought to the viewing platform from beneath through a tunnel and up stairways as in the present cyclorama building. Neither arrangement makes it possible to effect quick evacuation of the audience from the picture area. This brings about a definite safety-to-life problem in case of a fire emergency, especially under the panic environment that would exist.

Although the painting is housed in a noncombustible building and by careful study every step feasible has been taken to improve the existing structure from a safety standpoint, the "fire loading" from the painting itself is ever present and is considerable. The picture contains approximately one-half-acre of free-hanging linen canvas impregnated with more than 8,000 pounds of oil paint which would burn intensely if once ignited. A carbon dioxide gas fire extinguishing system has been provided to protect the painting but this cannot be brought into action until the audience has been evacuated. Even though the attendance is now limited to 150 people at one time, think of the calamity that might result should fire trap an audience inside this paint-soaked canvas enclosure! Indeed, Atlanta should feel fortunate that she has thus far been spared such a possible catastrophe.

The Plan

The cyclorama painting can be housed and exhibited in a manner that will assure complete protection from fire to both the painting and the viewing audience and also provide control of atmosphere in the area for preservation of the painting. This,

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however, will require an entirely new and different concept in building design and arrangements from that of the present cyclorama building, which is approaching a half-century in age and is obsolete. The provision of a new cyclorama building of proper though unique design could eliminate the safety-to-life problem now prevailing and permit full capacity loading of the viewing platform when attendance is heavy as with holiday and convention groups. The new building could be more beautiful and much more appropriate for its occupancy than the present one. It could afford improved lighting, which is much needed, and better programing and sound effects. It would, moreover, provide a special area located away from ground moisture for housing the painting, which area would normally be sealed off to permit controlled atmosphere as regards temperature and humidity to prolong life of the canvas. In the event of fire in the picture area, it would allow complete and safe evacuation of the entire audience from the area in a matter of seconds, followed immediately by automatic flooding of the picture with carbon dioxide gas to extinguish the fire without leaving any residue, and thus assure complete fire control for the painting, at the same time providing full life safety.

To embody these enhancements, this special structure of new concept would, of course, be of fire-resistive construction and would be similar in design to a two-tier wedding cake; the first story being about 300 feet in diameter and 20 feet high. This story would be protected by automatic sprinklers and occupied as a Civil War museum, relating principally to the Battle of Atlanta, which in time could become the very finest museum of its kind. The second story would be 125 feet in diameter and about 50 feet high, or approximately the size of the present cyclorama building. It would house only the cyclorama painting and its foreground scenery. The arrangement would be unique in that the 30-foot diameter viewing platform would be on a hydraulic (aqua) lift. After being fully briefed on the Atlanta Campaign in a small theater by use of animated film the audience would be assembled on the platform on the first floor level and then with appropriate music and sound effects be elevated to viewing position in the picture area in the second story.

At this point the platform would slowly make one complete revolution and by means of sectionalized sound programming, the individual viewer would be informed about the portion of the battle scene appearing before him. The platform would have an integral ceiling that would move up and down with the platform and which, when in the lowered position, would form a gas-tight separation between the first and second stories by means of a simple water seal.

With the arrangement described, should a fire occur in the picture area, for example, while the platform is loaded and at the viewing position, either the operator or the automatic fire detection system would allow the platform to be lowered immediately by gravity at a controlled speed to the first floor level to discharge the audience safely, the ceiling simultaneously forming a seal between the two stories. By interlock control, as soon as the seal is formed, a carbon dioxide fire extinguishing system would flood the picture canvas with fire extinguishing gas without the time delay that is now required. All emergency safety equipment would be designed on a multiple "positive operation" basis. The arrangement would provide full safety to life for occupants of the building, coupled with prompt and complete fire control for the painting. It would also safely permit full audience capacity on the platform and allow a controlled atmosphere normally to be maintained in the picture area for prolonging life of the canvas.

Special Features

If such a new cyclorama building should be undertaken, it is suggested that the project also include two special features; first, the old locomotive "Texas" which is now in the basement of the present building should be reconditioned for actual operation so that it could take part with the "General" in any future re-enactments of the Andrews' Raid*. Normally, however, the "Texas" would be kept on exhibit in the first story museum, but there would be provided within the museum a length of fenced-off track

* A re-enactment of "The Great Locomotive Chase" annually, or even quinquennially, utilizing both the engines, Texas and General, operating under steam over the L. & N. Railroad along the original route of the chase, could become a tourist attraction of national prominence.

on which the old engine could be moved back and forth at regular intervals, operating on compressed air, which would give the engine all the sound and other effects as though actually moving under steam.

The other feature would be to include a water fountain of appropriate size, water patterns and lighting effects near the entrance to the building. A large sculptured phoenix would constitute the central figure, with gas burning on the water's surface at the several cascading levels beneath the figure to symbolize the resurgence of Atlanta after the battle. The phoenix theme could even include a programmed periodic envelopment of the phoenix by flames, accompanied by the figure disappearing below the surface - to rise again when the flames subside.

Atlanta could be proud of a new cyclorama building such as described and the city deserves it. The preservation work on the picture which is reported to be very necessary could be performed as each picture section is moved from the old to the new building.

The "Battle of Atlanta" is entitled to a new home, so let the job be done right. The cyclorama can be made an even greater tourist attraction and credit to the city than it has been in the past and concurrently incorporate full safety-to-life measures. If located in the new auditorium-hotel complex area, with the larger audiences that could be handled and with longer hours of operation the revenue derived should certainly make the project feasible.

Gordon F. Price

October 25, 1965

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JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
AND RECREATION

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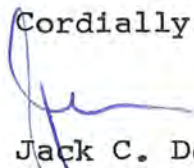
Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor, City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Allen:

First, I want to personally congratulate and thank you for your excellent statement at the Kiwanis Club meeting on Thursday, July 6, 1967, concerning lawlessness in our town. Everyone I've talked with - City employees, private citizens, other City Officials are all talking about what you've said. I think your tone was correct and you were firm and I am sure that a lot of good will come from your remarks.

Thank you again and assuring you of our desire to be of service, I am

Cordially,


Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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July 10, 1967

Mr. Arthur Montgomery
Chairman, Stadium Authority
% Coca-Cola Bottling Company
864 Spring Street, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Montgomery:

Confirming our telephone conversation of July 7, 1967, it will be possible, given a few days notice, to supply one recreation leader for the stadium parking lot to supervise children and young people using this facility. We will also be able to supply basketballs, volleyballs, etc. By copies of this letter, I am advising Miss Carmichael, Director of Recreation, and Mr. Tom Christenson, Director of Operation Champ (our summerwide recreation program), to be prepared to staff this facility upon notification from your office.

Personnel will be paid with Federal funds which will expire August 31, 1967. Like many other neighborhood playlots and Operation Champ locations, we don't know what we will do come September 1, toward staffing these facilities.

We particularly appreciate your interest in this matter and assuring you of our desire to be of service, I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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CC: Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Hon. Buddy Fowlkes
Miss Virginia Carmichael
Mr. Tom Christenson

July 10, 1967

Honorable John Hood
Representative, District 124
1123 Windsor Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Representative Hood:

I have been instructed by Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. to advise you in writing as to the scope of our recreation and park operation during the summer of 1967.

The summer has been rather hectic for all of us in the Parks and Recreation Department for a number of reasons; first, it is virtually a carbon copy of last summer insofar as relates to the availability of Federal funds. Secondly, we never know until the last minute how much money will be made available and so we have to do a lot of planning on plain and simple faith.

To briefly acquaint you with what we are doing, we have established sixty-two areas where recreation supervision, field trips, noontime snacks, etc., are being furnished to the poverty areas of our City. The City is doing everything humanly possible to meet the needs and demands of all its citizens in all of the entire city areas. In the last several year, a number of new park facilities have been opened and many are presently under construction. I would like to say that I cannot think of a single request for a playlot that has been turned down, except in instances where the property owner absolutely refused to allow the City use of the property or where the terrain and topography were so severe that it was physically impossible to construct any useable area.

If anything, I am afraid that we will be criticized for favoring Mechanicsville and Summerhill. I say this in view

Representative Hood

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of the fact that within the defined limits of these areas, we have the only recreation house that we've rented, four playlots in Mechanicsville and Operation Champ operation at Peter J. Bryant School. In Summerhill, we have an Operation Champ at Johnson Elementary School and a playlot on Connally Street which is to the rear of the school. Summerhill is one of only four areas in Atlanta blessed with a portable swimming pool. These pools which are for instructional purposes only were donated by the Rich Foundation. I have already been criticized for selecting Summerhill as one of the four areas to receive a pool but regardless of where it might have been placed, we would have had criticism from those communities not similarly treated.

We pledge to you our full and complete support in attempting to meet the needs of park and recreation facilities for all of our citizens and I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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CC: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Mr. Charlie Leftwich

July 3, 1967

Mr. Raleigh Durden, Jr.
2712 Loghaven
Atlanta, Georgia 30318

Dear Mr. Durden:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 28, 1967 to Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., regarding the need for a playlot and other recreational facilities and activities for your area near Loghaven and the Hightower area.

By copy of this letter, I am asking a staff member of the City Land Agent's Office, Mr. Pete Williams, to attempt to locate a playlot somewhere in your community. Oftentimes, vacant land can be located and we are able to talk the owner into leasing it to the City at a \$1.00 per year. In some cases, however, the landowner simply refuses and our hands are tied.

In the event that we are unable to construct a playlot, there is a possibility of including your neighborhood in "Operation Champ" where we can operate off of existing school playgrounds, etc. I am notifying and advising the Director of "Operation Champ" as well as the Director of the Neighborhood Playlot Program of the need for some facility in your community and just as soon as I hear from Mr. Williams I will be back in touch.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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CC: Mr. Pete Williams
Mr. Tom Christenson
Mr. Eddie McLemore
Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

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July 3, 1967

Mr. Willie Johnson, Chairman
Constructive Youth Council of the
Northwest Perry Homes Area
2339 Arno Court, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Thank you very much for your letter of June 28, 1967, regarding our conference of June 20, 1967, outlining the requests made by the citizens of your area for recreational and park facilities. By copies of this letter, I am requesting the Directors of the Neighborhood Playlot Program and Operation Champ to submit to you the list of all locations presently in existence. We certainly will welcome the opportunity to allow the community to assist in the planning, development, and operation of recreational programs for youth and young adults in your neighborhood.

As to the utilization of neighborhood Youth Corps in-school enrollees and out-of-school enrollees, we currently have a request before E.O.A. for one hundred out-of-school young people. Fifty of these would be utilized in Operation Champ (the city-wide recreation program) and fifty, we hope utilized in the development of the Wilderness Camp at Lake Allatoona. As of yet, we have not received any enrollees but we understand that they are being recruited from the respective E.O.A. Service Centers. I would assume that some will be coming from your neighborhood service center and there should be no problem to see that these individuals are properly assigned back to the area from which they reside.

By copy of this letter, I will make it known to Miss Virginia Carmichael, the Director of Recreation, and also the Directors of Operation Champ and the Neighborhood Playlot Program that you are requesting the placement of recreation leaders at Pitts, Finch, and Chattahoochee Elementary Schools.

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The Aldermanic Parks Committee over the last several years has written the Atlanta Housing Authority requesting that recreation personnel be employed on a permanent basis by the Housing Authority to supervise recreation not only at Perry Homes but at all public housing projects.

We have signed the contract for the second phase of Gun Club Park. This phase will be on the lower end of the property adjacent to Proctor Creek and the contractor is expected to commence work just any day. As discussed with you, we are still in a quandary over the availability of a pedestrian bridge across Proctor Creek so that the Park that will be developed can be immediately accessible to the residents of Perry Homes. We are waiting on a response from the Atlanta Housing Authority as to who will pay for this bridge since our property line stops on our side of Proctor Creek and it's our understanding that the Housing Authority owns up to this line.

We certainly appreciate the suggestion for location of additional playlots for your area. I am Xeroxing your letter and supplying it to Mr. Pete Williams, Right-Of-Way Agent, Land Agent's Office and ask that he search out each and every location you have suggested and, in the event he is unable to obtain permission for the use of any of these lots, to advise you accordingly.

We would certainly like to extend the Operation Champ program to include other communities, but as you know this is a federally financed program which must terminate August 31 and we must be very careful not to overspend the allotted sum of money for this activity. If we should be able to save funds or have over-estimated the cost of certain activities, we would be the first to want to expand the program into other communities.

Although the Master Plan for Gun Club Park includes a swimming pool, at this time I do not know at what date one could be installed. Rest assured that your area will be given every possible consideration in making up the 1968 Capital Improvement Program, which will amount to a little over \$300,000. This rather limited amount of money must be spread over the entire City of Atlanta and include the construction of not only swimming pools but basic site work on some ten to fifteen parks purchased under the 1963 Bond Program, construction of recreation buildings, landscaping, etc.

I am very pleased that your committee will be willing to meet

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with the undersigned and other representatives of this Department in making your community a better place to live and I assure you that when we obtain leases on the playlots at the locations you have suggested, we will work very closely with your committee to see that the program, equipment, etc. is what you need and want.

On behalf of Mayor Allen and other City Officials, let me again thank you for meeting with us on the 20th and I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mr. Pete Williams, Land Agent's Office
Mr. Tom Christenson, Director, Operation Champ
Mr. Eddie McLemore, Director, Neighborhood Playlot Program
Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Miss Virginia Carmichael
Mr. John Cox, Atlanta Youth Council
Mr. Bud Stone, E.O.A.
Mr. J. H. Robertson
Mr. Dan Sweat

CONSTRUCTIVE YOUTH COUNCIL OF THE
Northwest Perry Homes Area
2339 Arno Court, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia



June 28, 1967

Mr. Jack Delius, Director
Parks & Recreation Department
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Delius:

In reference to our conference of June 20, 1967, we the members of the Recreational Committee of the Constructive Youth Council of the Northwest Perry Area are submitting in keeping with your request a proposal outlining the requests made by the group of citizens of this area during the conference.

We truly feel that your concern in such matters will enable us to build a better community in which to live. Moreover, we feel as members of our community we should be given the opportunity to assist in the planning and development of recreational programs for our community.

We look forward to a reply at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

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Willie Johnson, Chairman

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CONSTRUCTIVE YOUTH COUNCIL OF THE
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Today there is an ever-increasing desire on the part of the young people to be heard, probably moreso in low-income areas.

It goes without saying that in the Northwest Perry Communities there are hundreds of young people who are without any or have very few meaningful programs in which to participate. It has been said that "an idle mind is the devil's workshop."

The rising rate of Crime, Delinquency, Truancy and drop-outs among the youth in our communities, indicate that city, public and private agencies are failing to provide young people with the inner controls of behavior which are basis for a healthy way of life and a clean community.

Due to the many inadequacies in the areas of supervised recreation in the Northwest Perry Communities, we the recreation committee, in keeping with your request, recommend the following services, program and facilities for your consideration and evaluation.

Suggested Areas of Concern and Responsibilities:

1. Keep the communities informed of available resources and opportunities in the fields of recreation and youth.
2. Allow the community the opportunity to assist in the planning, developing and running of recreational programs for youth and young adults in the communities.

It generally felt that the communities in the Northwest Perry area are faced with the same types of problems that exist in other communities throughout the city. In trying to offset some of these problems, we are further recommending the hiring of recreation personnel on a permanent basis from the Northwest communities through the Neighborhood Youth Corps in-school and out-of-school programs.

3. Recommendation for the placement of Recreational Leaders.
 - (a) Pitts Elementary School Perry Boulevard, N. W.
 - (b) Finch Elementary School Ajax Drive, N. W.
 - (c) Chattahoochee Elementary School Peyton Road, N. W.
4. The hiring of recreation personnel on a permanent basis by the Housing authority to supervise recreation in the Perry Homes projects.
5. The completion of the Gun Club Park.
6. Additional Play Lots for the area.
 - (a) Possible Location of Play Lots.
 - (1) Intersection of Hollywood Road and Main Street, N. W.
 - (2) Intersection of Marco and Argyle Drive
 - (3) 2000 McCallie Boulevard
 - (4) Westmoreland Circle (near 1333)
 - (5) Clarissa Drive (Between Buildings 1602-2215)
 - (6) Perry Boulevard (near 1395 Drew)
7. The Extension of the "Champ" Program to include other communities.
8. Swimming Pool for the area.

The committee, along with other members of the Council, will be willing to meet you and/or other responsible representatives of the City Parks Department, in trying to make our community a better place in which to live.

CC: Mayor Ivan Allen
Virginia Carmichael
John Cox
Bud Stone
J. H. Robinson
Dan Sweat

July 3, 1967

Representative Julian Bond
Room 336, State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Bond:

Thank you for your continued interest in the park located at Fair Street and Northside Drive and more particularly your inquiry as to the hours of operation of the spray pool. Currently, the one Recreation Supervisor authorized by the City and assigned to this facility operates the pool from 10:00 in the morning until 6:00 at night, five days a week. I am asking Mr. David Knowlton, the Recreation Supervisor for the Central District, to work out some method by which the spray pool could be operated on Saturdays and Sundays. As the nights grow warmer, I trust that we will find a way to operate the water into the late evening - perhaps until 10:00 p.m.

Thank you for your continued interest, I am

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mr. David Knowlton
Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓

Follow up - June 22

June 9, 1967

Rep. Julian Bond
823 Drummond Street, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Dear Julian:

Thank you very much for your letter regarding the new park at Fair Street and Northside Drive.

I appreciate your suggestion and I am taking this matter up with Mr. Jack Delius of the Parks Department to see what can be done about it. I will keep you advised.

Sincerely,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr:eo

CC: Mr. Jack Delius

JULIAN BOND
Representative, District 136
823 Drummond Street, S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30314



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The House of Representatives
Atlanta, Georgia

The Honorable Ivan Allen
Mayor
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Sir:

On Yesterday I took my children to the new park located at Fair Street and Northside Drive hoping they would have an opportunity to play in the fountains the city has placed there.

On arrival - shortly after 4:00 - I was surprised to find that they were not in operation, but that additionally, according to children playing in the area, were only in use an hour or so each day.

It seems fantastic that this facility, certainly a needed and welcome one, should not be given maximum use.

Is there a schedule for water operations there, or is use of the fountains decided by the attendant?

If there is a schedule, I think the Parks Department might do residents of the area a service by both expanding and publishing it.

Sincerely,

Julian Bond
Julian Bond

Dear Julius

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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June 6, 1967



Mr. Jack C. Delius
General Manager of Parks
and Recreation
Department of Parks
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Delius:

This is in reply to your letter of May 24, addressed to the Regional Director of our Southeast Region, regarding the Cyclorama of the Battle of Atlanta.

I think it would be reasonable to assume that the painting itself, as an object important in American history, could eventually be considered for inclusion on the National Register which is to be expanded under the provisions of Public Law 89-665, the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. To be placed on the National Register and thus eligible for Federal matching grant-in-aid funds, the painting would have to be included in a statewide survey and historic preservation plan approved by the Secretary of the Interior. The Georgia Historical Commission has been designated by Governor Maddox as Georgia's official State liaison with the Department of the Interior in the administration of this act as it may relate to the State of Georgia. While Congressional action on the Department's appropriation for fiscal year 1968 has not been completed, it appears unlikely at this time that there will be any Federal matching grant-in-aid funds available under P.L. 89-665 during fiscal year 1968.

We are enclosing a copy of the act and a copy of "Federal Financial Assistance Through the Secretary of the Interior for Historic Preservation" for your information.

Sincerely yours,

Robert M. Utley
Acting Chief, Office of Archeology
and Historic Preservation

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CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER



June 27, 1967

TO: Mayor Ivan Allen

FROM: Mr. Tom Christenson, Director, "Operation Champ"

SUBJECT: Program of "Operation Champ"

Atlanta's "Operation Champ", sponsored jointly by Atlanta Parks and Recreation Department and the Economic Opportunity, Atlanta, is a sports and cultural program provided for locations in twenty-three crime infested and racial trouble areas. The ideal of the program is to aid the children to develop social soundness, emotional stability, cultural interest, and physical fitness. In addition the aim is to curtail indirectly the high crime rate and racial tension. This ideal is approached by providing supervised recreation and cultural trips for the areas.

The program is headed by a project director and assistant who coordinate the activities of the 23 areas and plan all cultural and swimming trips. Four program supervisors directly supervise the 23 areas which are divided into four general districts in the city. They act as go-betweens between the project director and the area counselors. Each area has two recreation leaders who work as counselors in the individual area and keep the area supervised Monday through Saturday from 10:00 A. M. to 9 P. M.

The individual area activities include mass games, individual instructional games, arts and crafts, dramatic productions, folk dancing, rhythmical games, group singing, and a variety of other activities, depending on the individual talents of the recreational supervisors. Many areas work closely with the Girl Scouts and the Boy Scouts in an attempt to establish new troops that will continue through the year. Special area events such as bicycle rodeos, pet shows, and treasure hunts encourage the children to develop a feeling of fellowship. The children should enjoy the afternoon snack of milk and cookies delivered daily.

Because of the tremendous cooperation and the donation of time by many people, a variety of educational trips has been planned for the areas. Each area goes for a "free" swim twice a week for six weeks. Many of our children will receive free bowling lessons from city establishments. The Atlanta Braves and Chiefs cooperate with us by presenting periodical sports clinics and providing



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unlimited tickets to both Brave and Chief ball games. Our children will hear lectures by the curator of the zoo, the Atlanta Horticulturist, and our Entomologist. New ideas and projects will be followed up by the area leaders through activities such as transplanting flowers in the housing projects, collecting and mounting insects, identifying trees and birds.

The children will travel to various local industries, amusement parks and local entertainments including the Coca Cola Bottling Company, Mathis Dairy, the Atlanta Journal, Chastain Park, children's theaters, Cyclorama and Grant Park Zoo, and Grant Park green house. On many of the trips the children will be provided with a hot lunch. Hopefully the many experiences created by the cultural trips will add greatly to the underprivileged children's education.

"Operation Champ" undoubtedly will not solve all of the problems of the high-crime rate, underprivileged areas. But through our personnel's combined efforts to provide supervised recreation and cultural trips, we hope to benefit the background of some of these children.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Christenson

Tom Christenson
Director
Operation Champ

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cc: Mr. Jack Delius, General Manager
City of Atlanta Department of Parks

Miss Virginia Carmichael, Director
City of Atlanta Department of Recreation

AREAS INVOLVED IN "OPERATION CHAMP"

Nathan Forrest School
608 Forrest Road N.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30312

Springdale Park
Edgewood Ave. & Waverly Way NE
Atlanta, Ga. 30307

Wesley Avenue Park
1800 New Street N.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30307

Walker Park
Memorial Drive & Whiteford Ave. SE
Atlanta, Ga. 30317

Whiteford Elementary School
35 Whiteford Avenue S.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30317

Grady Homes
100 Bell Street S.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30303

Capitol Homes
89 Memorial Drive S.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30312

E. P. Johnson School
494 Martin Street S.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30312

P. J. Bryant School
252 Georgia Avenue S.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30312

Grant Park
513 Atlanta Avenue S.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30315

Carvel Homes
140 Meldon Avenue S.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30315

Couch Park
Union Place & 8th Street N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30318

Herndon Homes
511 John Street N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30318

Bayan Homes
221 Play Lane N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30314

University Homes
608 Fair Street S.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30314

John Hope Homes
668 Fair Street S.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30314

Harris Homes
290 Sells Avenue S.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Perry Homes
1041 Kerry Drive N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30318

Gun Club Park
Gun Club & Ruth Streets, N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30318

Bowen Homes
2804 Yates Drive N.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30318

Center Hill Park
Bankhead Highway N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Maddox Park
Bankhead Avenue N.W.
Atlanta, Ga.

Rosalie Wright School
350 Autumn Lane S.W.
Atlanta, Ga. 30310

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NEIGHBORHOOD PLAYLOT PROGRAM

This list shows all playlots and inside facilities in the playlot program. Twenty-three of these locations are staffed and operating from 10:00 A.M. until 8:30 P.M. daily, Monday through Friday. Saturdays hours of operation are from 11:00 A.M. until 8:30 P.M.

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| 1. Arlington | Mrs. Nix and Mrs. Edna Hill |
| 2. 71 Little St. | Mr. Smith and Miss Griffin |
| 3. 141 Walnut St. | Mr. Murphy and Miss Van Dee Perry |
| 4. 196 Savannah St. | Mr. Preston and Miss Evans |
| 5. 255 Dodd Ave. | Mr. Dunston and Miss Franklin |
| 6. Haygood and Crew | Mr. Right, Mr. Schockly, and Mrs. Jennings |
| 7. Park Ave. & Lansing | Mr. Stephens and Miss J. Coppedge |
| 8. Ladd St. off Oakland | Mrs. Bridges |
| 9. Harper Park | Miss Johnson and Mr. Wilkes |
| 10. Daniel Stanton Park | Mr. Bonner and Miss Dixon |
| 11. Rhodes Bet Sunset & Vine | Mr. Walker and Miss Webb |
| 12. Merritts & Bedford | Mr. McLendon and Miss Moore |
| 13. Wylie & Tye | Mr. Barr and Mr. Porter |
| 14. Connally St. near Richardson | Mr. Napier and Miss G. Coppedge |
| 15. McDaniel & Ga. | Mr. Banks and Miss Jones |
| 16. Gilliam Park on Wade Ave. | Mrs. Mahone and Mr. White |
| 17. 373 Thurmaon St. | Mr. Smith and Mrs. Sinclair |
| 18. Magnolia & Maple | Miss Mpongo and Mr. Cloud |
| 19. Huff Rd. near Booth | Miss Smith and Mr. Stokes |
| 20. University & Hubbard | Mr. Phillips and Miss Clark |
| 21. Habershal at Perry Blvd. | Mr. Scott and Miss Potts |
| 22. Windsor near Richardson | Mr. Dunston |

23. Forrest & Fort
24. Perry Blvd. & Lively
25. Angler & Parkway
26. Currier St.
27. Rear of 398 Parkway
28. Love St.
29. Pryor St.
30. Verbena St. (Hyacinta)
31. Sampson & East Ave.
32. Blvd. Pl. & Glen Iris Dr.
33. Plunkitt Town
34. Auburn Ave. at Blvd.
35. 533-39 Central Ave.
36. Daniel Street off Edgewood Ave.

Mr. Belsen and Miss Culver

June 27, 1967

Mrs. Margaret Grier
325 Brooks Avenue, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Mrs. Grier:

Thank you very much for the petition which you forwarded me on June 22nd. I have communicated with the Parks Department and they have advised me that this matter has been taken care of by the opening up of the playground in the Rosalie Holley Wright Elementary School community.

I am forwarding the petition on to Miss Virginia Carmichael of the Parks Department for her record.

I sincerely hope that this is satisfactory with you, and assuring you of our cooperation, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Miss Virginia Carmichael



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

June 26, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Mr. Thomas J. Armstrong
Acting Assistant Regional Administrator
for Metropolitan Development
Department of Housing and Urban
Development
Room 645, Peachtree-Seventh Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30323

Dear Mr. Armstrong:

Subject: Project No. GA. OSD-32
Application for Grant to
Develop Open-Space Land
Gun Club Park Site

We respectfully request that you consider a 50% grant for the second phase of development of Gun Club Park Site and waive the 12½% of acquisition cost limitation on this portion of the above project.

Gun Club is the second largest park site we have acquired under the 1963 Park Bond Program and is located adjacent to the largest public housing project in Atlanta. One thousand families and approximately five thousand people live in the Perry Homes Public Housing Project and it is absolutely essential that we complete the development of this park at the earliest possible date. At the present time, Perry Homes has only one small playground with which to provide outdoor recreation for more than 3,200 children and teenagers. The families of Perry Homes cannot afford to leave their immediate neighborhood in search of recreation as the median family income is only \$2,500 per year. Perry Homes is a part of Census Tract F-87, which has been rated sixth in juvenile delinquency among approximately 100 tracts within the city limits of Atlanta. The need for a fully developed park is clearly reflected by the evidence of discontent and the feeling of being long neglected expressed by the people of Perry Homes community. The urgent need is amplified by the expansion of the Perry Homes presently underway. An additional 140 units consisting of three, four, and five bedrooms are now under construction.



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We have made every effort to expedite this project and we are very proud of the fact that we received the first Open-Space Land Development Grant in the United States for the first phase development of this park. However, due to the lack of funds for capital improvements, we must develop all of our parks in phases over a period of several years. If our application is cut to 12½% of the acquisition cost, it will materially affect our financial capacity for additional development. Of course, all of our projects face the same problem, but the problem is particularly acute as it relates to Gun Club Park.

As documentation in support of our request we have enclosed a census tract map of the city showing the area to be served by Gun Club Park; a cadastral map of the service area, showing generalized block-front structural conditions, blighted areas, the location of Perry Homes, and the Rockdale Urban Redevelopment Area; an analysis of the median family income for the area; an analysis of housing conditions in the area; a compilation of delinquency and crime statistics for the area to be served; a graph showing the relationship of income and crime in Atlanta; and an analysis of age groups in Perry Homes.

The boundaries of the area to be served by Gun Club Park were determined by the Planning Department of the City of Atlanta. It should be noted that the site consists of 42.9 acres and will serve as a Community Park. The service area encompasses approximately 4,147 housing units and has an estimated population of 15,800. More than 30% of the people in this service area live in the Perry Homes Public Housing Project, which contains 24% of all housing units in the service area. Of the remaining housing units, 35% are substandard structures.

We would like to point out that the analysis of median family income is based on 1961 data, which is now obsolete and does not reflect a true picture, with the exception of Perry Homes. This entire area has been undergoing transition during the past several years. The Planning Department of the City of Atlanta is conducting a survey to determine the extent of change in racial occupancy and median family income. However, current data is not available at this time. We strongly suspect that the median family income for the entire service area is considerably less than that reflected in the 1961 data. We do know that the population density has increased and will continue to increase. There are proposals for the Rockdale Urban Redevelopment Area that would provide from 1300 to 1500 units of low-income housing. The general location of the Rockdale Urban Redevelopment Area is shown on the attached cadastral map.

A very comprehensive study of the causes of juvenile delinquency and crime is embodied in the report of the Atlanta Commission on Crime and Juvenile Delinquency, Opportunity for Urban Excellence, which was published in February, 1966. This department is striving to implement the recommendations of this report, which repeatedly emphasizes the

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lack of recreation facilities in congested, low-income areas of the city, including the Gun Club area. As further documentation of our request, we quote the following excerpts from Opportunity for Urban Excellence:

"One of Atlanta's most serious problems with regard to juvenile delinquency and crime is that the most congested areas of the city have the least recreation facilities...

Children need places to play other than the streets....

The Parks Department is in serious need of great financial assistance...The present capital budget of the Parks Department should be at least doubled...Parks should be built in congested high crime areas of the city....

Open land is quickly disappearing in the heart of the city as well as elsewhere, and if moves are not made now, opportunities to establish parks in congested areas will be forever lost....

The importance of constructive play for children....can hardly be overstated. Similarly, with adults the constructive use of leisure time provides an outlet essential to sound personal adjustment. Idleness and lack of interest are known contributors to both juvenile delinquency and adult crime, and it is essential that the City of Atlanta provide reasonable facilities and appropriate supervision' for the play activities of its people. Persons interviewed by the Committee pointed repeatedly to the lack of adequate recreation facilities in many of the known poverty, high crime areas in Atlanta...

It was the conclusion of this Committee that the Parks Department is doing an extremely fine job with the facilities, personnel and money presently available to it...It is also clear, however, that this Department's problems are staggering, and the present situation is serious. The major percentage of the problems seems directly traceable to money.

As suggested by many interviewees, we found that many of the high crime, low income areas were not being adequately served....

.....adjacent to the Perry Homes Area, the Department has recently acquired the large Gun Club Park site and has allocated \$79,000 to its development. This will take care only of first stage development - roads, sewerage and playing fields, but there is a strong need now for a fully

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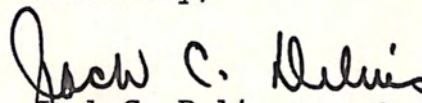
developed Park site...The needs of Perry Homes were emphasized time and time again, in particular by police officers.

We recommend that specific steps be taken by the City to increase the public recreational facilities available to the poor...."

In summary, the full and complete development of Gun Club Park will be a giant step toward correcting the many deficiencies of an older, low income, residential community of increasing population density that has been long devoid of public recreation facilities.

We sincerely appreciate the very valuable assistance and cooperation of your agency and thank you for any consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

BCC: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor ✓
All Members Aldermanic Parks Committee

October 4, 1967

Mr. Gilbert H. Boggs
Director of Housing
Atlanta Housing Authority
824 Hurt Building
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Boggs:

In further reference to our correspondence concerning the need for a pedestrian footbridge across Proctor Creek to provide access for the residents of Perry Homes to the new Gun Club Park Site and more particularly relative to my letter to you of September 20, 1967, we are most anxious to know the status of the situation and the reaction you have received from the Housing Assistance Authority toward funding this bridge. As you know, we have under construction the second phase of Gun Club Park Site and the majority of that now being built is fully visible to the residents of your project living on the east side of Proctor Creek. We feel certain that many of them will not walk the 780 feet around the bend to the new vehicular bridge constructed to serve the Perry Homes Extension in order to reach park property. We are most afraid that many of the children will attempt to ford the creek and this could result in some tragedies.

At your earliest convenience, could you please advise me the progress being made on the bridge, and I am

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mr. A. P. Brindley, Parks Engineer
Mr. Charlie Devon, Assistant Parks Engineer

May 31, 1967

Mr. Robert Summerville, President
Atlanta Transit System
125 Pine Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Summerville:

We certainly appreciate the generosity of your company in providing land for a playlot on Currier Street. In addition, we wish to thank you for the fine civic act in donating funds for equipment for both Currier Street and Habershal at Perry Boulevard. The following equipment has been installed on Habershal.

(1) 8 ft. slide with 12 ft. bedway	\$180.15
(1) 10 ft. slide with 16 ft. bedway	225.30
(1) set swings - 10 ft. high	196.85
(1) senior castle tower (to be installed)	<u>198.75</u>
TOTAL	\$801.05

Identical equipment will be installed on the Currier Street Playlot when received. In addition, we hope to install a basketball goal and outdoor drinking fountain.

If you prefer, you may wait until the Currier Street equipment is installed before sending us your check for this location.

Cordially,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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cc: Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Miss Virginia Carmichael

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September 19, 1967

Mr. Kiliaen V. R. Townsend, President
Atlanta Motor Lodges, Inc.
120 North Avenue, N.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30313

Dear Mr. Townsend:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 8, 1967 regarding playlots in the Washington Street area of our City. I apologize for this belated reply but have just returned from a vacation trip.

Mrs. Pat Royalty has been quite interested in the possibility of the City's losing the use of the Crew and Haygood Playlot. At the present time we have had no indication that the owner intends to take the property back although we only hold a lease for one year which is cancellable upon thirty days notice. I understand that the property will be up for a zoning hearing on September 21, 1967, and I have been further advised that Mr. Herbert Johnson, Attorney for the owner, is under the impression that even if the zoning application is successful, that the owner is not planning to do anything with the land for two or three years.

Our Federal funds for the development and staffing of the some thirty-five playlots located in the hard-corps slum areas of our City expires September 30. Already, since school is back in session, we have curtailed our operation to after-school hours and on the week-end. We have hopes of collecting certain vital locations and continue the operation of playlots in these areas through the end of the year.

Under the Federal Grant, we had funds available to construct and operate a total of twenty-one playlots. However, as mentioned above, some thirty-five were actually staffed and several more were created and operated without personnel. Due to simple budget limitations, we have had to be highly selective in the construction of any additional playlots and we presently have on our list of requests a dozen or more locations in areas of the City which have

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not yet received any facilities. In the Washington-Ormond Street area and that portion generally considered to be Mechanicsville and Summerhill, a number of locations have been created and frankly there has been criticism from neighborhoods which have been overlooked as to the number of lots created in the southern portion of the City.

You are most generous in your offer of various properties and I would like to take the liberty to keep your letter in our current file on playlots so that in the event that we do lose the Crew and Haygood location we can quickly turn to one of your properties.

In conclusion, it is businessmen like your that make it possible for the playlot program to function and I thank you ever so much for offering to us without charge such valuable real estate.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓
Mrs. Robert M. Royalty



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

September 18, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor
City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Allen:

After many months of very hard work on the part of the staff at the Reptile House and thanks to the cooperation and assistance of Ray Nixon's welder, and Fred Shepherd and Addy Chan of the Building Inspector, the Reptile House neared completion and ready for operation last week. We made a decision Saturday that if we kept waiting we never would get the place open and so we decided that come Sunday morning, September 17, we would open to the public. The only publicity we were able to get at this late date was a few news spots on WSB Radio Sunday morning. At 11:00 we opened the front doors and we began counting using hand counters of all adults and young people who came in. Children under the age of twelve were not counted. From 11:00 through 5:45, we had counted 13,057 and given out all of our 10,000 pamphlets on the building. We received nothing but very favorable comments from the visitors and the only fly in the ointment was the fact that the air conditioning system didn't seem capable of keeping the building reasonably cool with this large number of people inside. I know that you are as relieved as the undersigned in seeing this facility finally open to the public.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: All members of the Aldermanic Parks Committee



September 18, 1967

Mr. Richard H. Rich
Rich's, Inc.
45 Broad Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Rich:

I would like to give you a brief report on the outstanding success of the portable swimming pools your foundation was gracious enough to provide to the City of Atlanta. From June 9 through September 1, 1967, we had trained 153 classes which had a total enrollment of 2796 children. In addition, some 23,077 participated during "play periods". Now that fall is here we have removed the swimming pools from their outdoor locations and already three of the four have been installed in the basements of various schools where showers and drainage are available and they will continue to be utilized through the school year. The structures sustain virtually no vandalism (several other cities had terrible experiences) and we fully expect to place them back in operation come next summer. Your donation fortunately was sufficient enough to provide heaters to raise the water temperature so there's no problem there when cold weather sets in.

We don't really know how to estimate the life expectancy of the portable pools but we can certainly say with a great deal of assurance that literally hundreds of thousands of children in the coming years will enjoy something that would not have been possible had it not been for the generosity of the Rich Foundation.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr. ✓

September 8, 1967

Mr. Jack Delius
General Manager
Atlanta Parks Department
260 Central Avenue, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Delius:

My good friend, Mrs. Pat Royalty, has told me that you may possibly lose the use of the Crew Street - Haygood Street lot as a playground. This reminded me that I have been meaning to call you and offer the use of the four lots, approximately 180' frontage on Washington Street near Ormond Street, that we own.

We have demolished the houses and though it isn't perfectly level, most of the fall-off is towards the very rear.

As I understand it from Mrs. Royalty, these children will not use facilities more than several blocks away. Therefore, there may be a good many in this immediate area that would use a small but convenient playground.

We, of course, also have those large parking lots east of Washington Street and north of the Cancer Home, including the 200' by 200' north of Bass Street where we also park cars for the Stadium crowds. These are now being used in an informal, unofficial way by a number of children, and we are delighted. However, if these could be employed in a more efficient manner to benefit the neighborhood, please let us know.

We ourselves plan no improvements in the way of building on any of these lots for the next few years, and so you could count on their continued use for a worthwhile period of time. This is particularly true of the four lots near Ormond Street. It is probable that we will arrange a service station sale or something similar on the 200' north of Bass Street sometime in the future, but even there, I believe it will stay as is for at least two or three years.

Sincerely,

Kiliaen V. R. Townsend

KVRT/wk

✓ cc: Mayor Ivan Allen



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER



Recreation

September 8, 1967

The Honorable Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor of the City of Atlanta
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Ivan:

Attached you will find an autographed program of the Mayor and of the participants of the Atlanta Team to the United States Youth Games.

You would have been proud of Atlanta's Team for their behavior, participation, and success in all of the events.

Atlanta won fourth place in Track and Field, went on to the semi-finals in bowling, and placed seventh in the overall games.

We were faced with real competition, and in my opinion the teams made a magnificent performance. The entire program could not have been handled better.

I believe it makes for a wonderful opportunity for children to meet other children from other cities.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for letting us go.

The games will be held in St. Louis in 1968, and I certainly hope we will be able to participate.

For your information, also, these games are conducted at no expense to the City. Old London Foods and the American Machine and Foundry Company provide the money. Our only expense is the transportation and uniforms.

I would like to be in a position to invite them to Atlanta at some future date.

With kindest personal regards and thanking you for all that you did for us, I am

Yours sincerely,



Virginia Carmichael
Director of Recreation

VC/cap

September 5, 1967

Mr. Wallace E. Swiney
1340 Burton Avenue
Macon, Georgia 31204

Dear Mr. Swiney:

Thank you very much for your letter concerning
Grant Park.

I am taking this up with the Parks Department and
I am most grateful for your bringing it to the
attention of the city.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

→ CC: Mr. Jack Delius



CITY OF ATLANTA

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER
CITY HALL

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

August 11, 1967

CHARLES L. DAVIS
COMPTROLLER

EDGAR A. VAUGHN, JR.
DEPUTY COMPTROLLER

Honorable Rodney M. Cook
34 Tenth Street, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30309

Dear Rodney:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I wrote Mr. Jack Delius relating to the ugly triangle at the corner of Cain and Spring streets. In my letter to Mr. Delius I omitted citing the Portman donation of \$10,000. We now have firm commitments from the following parties:

Portman	\$10,000
Livingston	47,500
Trailways	10,000
Mr. Jesse Draper	5,000
Dr. Marvin Goldstein	20,000
	<u>\$92,500</u>

You will note in my letter to Mr. Delius that I suggested we go ahead and process an application to the federal government for matching funds to acquire the properties involved in the proposed park site. I am also enclosing copies of budgets showing what funds would be needed just for acquisition purposes and the suggested contributions by the various parties which would generate sufficient funds for development purposes if fifty percent federal aid was made available for that purpose.

At the moment it appears that we would need approximately \$40,000 more in contributions to make up the local share to acquire the land. These figures are based on early 1965 appraisals, and we have only provided for ten percent contingencies. I am of the opinion that the land would have to be reappraised inasmuch as there has been approximately eighteen months since the appraisals were made. This in turn could increase the project cost which would in turn increase the local share cost.

I feel sure that with \$92,500 at the moment the City is in a position to move forward with the acquisition. It is hoped that the contributions from Davison's and Greyhound will be sufficient enough to cover the remainder of the local share cost for acquisition purposes.

Honorable Rodney M. Cook
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I have had a couple of people discuss with me the possibility of soliciting the development funds from the Baptist who now operate the Peachtree on Peachtree Hotel, the Atlanta Athletic Club, Georgia Power, and several other concerns in the area. I have also been informed that there is a possibility that Mr. Portman would design the park on a no-fee basis which would also contribute to the local share cost of the project.

If I can help in any way in soliciting funds from either Davison's or Greyhound so that we might conclude the land acquisition phase of this project, please advise as to what part you would like me to play in dealing with these two concerns.

Yours very truly,



Charles L. Davis
Comptroller

CLD:dhf

Enclosure

cc: Mr. R. Earl Landers
Mr. Jack Delius

CARNEGIE - CAIN TRIANGLE

Property Costs:

Parcel 1 - Livingston	\$ 92,000	
Parcel 2 - Americana	53,000	
Parcel 3 - Clark	29,500	
Parcel 4 - Davis	51,000	\$225,500

Demolition		8,000
Administration		4,579
Inspection		1,627
Contingencies (10% of property costs)		22,550
Total estimated acquisition cost		<u>262,256</u>
Federal participation		50%
Estimated local share of acquisition costs		<u>\$131,128</u>

Source of funds for local share:

Contributions:

Livingston	\$ 46,000	
Americana	53,000	
Portman	10,000	
Davison's	20,000	
Trailways	20,000	
Greyhound	20,000	169,000
Total needed for acquisition (see above)		<u>131,128</u>
Balance Available for development		<u>\$ 37,872</u>

Note: No professional estimate of the cost of developing the site has been made and would, of course, be dependent upon the desired design. From all indications, the development costs would also be eligible for 50% federal assistance which, if received, would result in a development budget of \$75,744.

TENTATIVE ACQUISITION BUDGET

CARNEGIE - CAIN TRIANGLE

April 11, 1967

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Livingston	\$ 46,000	
Americana Hotel	25,000	
Portman	10,000	
Davison's	20,000	
Trailways	10,000	
Greyhound	20,000	
Draper	<u>5,000</u>	\$ <u><u>136,000</u></u>

August 25, 1967

Wm K

Mr. David Carr, Jr.
499 Baker Circle, N. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30318

Dear David:

I am delighted that you took the time to write me such a nice letter about your trip to New York and the U. S. Youth Games. I am very pleased the City of Atlanta was so ably represented and I really think you made a good showing.

Keep up the good work and maybe there will be another opportunity to represent your city.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Miss Virginia Carmichael

Parks

August 23, 1967

Mrs. W. C. Dameron
Highview Nursing Home
2800 Springdale Road, S. W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30310

Dear Mrs. Dameron:

You are so kind to write such a nice letter about your visit to the Grant Park Zoo and commend Mr. Leftwich and Mr. Dilbeck.

Mr. Dilbeck has a deep affection for all people as well as all animals and I know he will appreciate what you had to say.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Jack Delius

Parks

August 23, 1967

Mr. E. M. Kinney, Chairman
Commission on Membership and Evangelism
Grace Methodist Church
458 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N. E.
Atlanta, Georgia 30308

Dear Mr. Kinney:

This will acknowledge receipt of your application for a permit to use Hurt Park on September 25th, 26th and 27th during the noon hour when Dr. Kermit Long will speak.

I am forwarding this request to the Parks Department as it must be approved by the Parks Committee. I am recommending to them that they issue this approval.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/br

CC: Mr. Jack Delius

MR. DAN SWEAT

Parks

CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

E.O.A. FINANCED SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM - 1967

Report #2 - August 1, 1967

The E. O.A. Contract with the City of Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation for Summer Recreation covers seven fields of activities: Senior Citizens, Resident Camping, Wilderness Camping, Swimming, Playlot Program, the Extended Program, and Operation Champ.

SENIOR CITIZENS - For the period July 17 through July 31, 1967, 250 Senior Citizens participated in a daily craft class; 555 participated in a night program; 150 took field trips; and 1000 attended baseball and soccer games at the Atlanta Stadium.

ATLANTA RECREATION CAMPS - At our resident camp at Lake Allatoona for the period July 17 to July 31, our attendance was 175 young people. The ages ranged from 3 to 12 years and the children came from Grove Park, Center Hill, Brannon, Kirkwood, Vine City, and Savannah Street.

SWIMMING - Using our four portable swimming pools located in the disadvantaged areas of Atlanta, we had the following total participation for the period July 3 - July 31, 1967:

Conley Street, six classes, with an enrollment of 106 for a total attendance of 1332.

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Wylie Street, five classes, with 50 enrolled, for a total attendance of 695.

This totals 23 classes with a total enrollment of 361 for a total attendance of 4224. Children from Operation Champ are now being taught swimming at Piedmont Park with a total of 13 classes organized involving 294 different children for a total attendance of 1305.

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EXTENDED PROGRAM - The Recreation Program has been boosted by the addition of staff through the Extended Services Program this summer. Centers in 12 poverty areas are able to open their doors earlier and remain open later in the evening averaging between 10 to 30 hours a week beyond the regular program hours. There appears to be a 15% increase in participation in the overall recreation program at the 10 community centers involved. Disciplinary problems in most areas are decreasing because of the added staff members and the extended well rounded program. The Extended Program is being offered at Techwood, E. F. Howell, Grove, Mozley, Pittman, Joyland, Anderson, Carver-Campbell, Bass, and Bessie Branham.

OPERATION CHAMP - Total participation figure for the first seven weeks of Operation Champ is 76,960. This figure is the total number of different children participating each day, added for a total of seven weeks. About 5322 spectators observed the various Operation Champ programs and are not counted in the above mentioned figure. For the period July 17 through August 1, total daily attendance was 2226 for a collective average of 92.7 young people at each playlot. For the period June 17 through July 1, the total participation was 2147 per day with an average per playlot of 91.9. There has not been appreciable increase in the average daily attendance during the month of July. One two week period included eight days of rain which drastically curtailed our participation figure. Free admission and transportation were provided for the following:

- 14,990 children to City Swimming Pools.
- 1,511 children to Mathis Dairies.
- 1,310 children to the Coca-Cola Company.
- 5,500 children to Atlanta Braves' Games.
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MAYOR ALLEN

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*Full
Park Dept*

April 4, 1967

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. Collier Gladin - Mr. Charles Davis

FROM: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

I am still holding Mr. Frederick Currey's letter of March 29th regarding their \$10,000 contribution (rather than \$30,000) for the triangle in front of the bus station.

Please furnish me the suggested draft for an appropriate reply.

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January 31, 1967

Mr. Maurice Moore
President
Continental Trailways
315 Continental Avenue
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Moore:

In checking my follow-up file, I fail to locate an acknowledgment of Mayor Allen's letter of December 19th.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ann Moses
Executive Secretary

AM/br

December 19, 1966

Mr. Maurice Moore
President
Continental Trailways
315 Continental Avenue
Dallas, Texas

Dear Mr. Moore:

I believe our mutual friend, John Portman, has mentioned to you and your associates the opportunity to improve materially the value of your property at Spring and Cain Streets in downtown Atlanta.

You are no doubt familiar with the little triangular shaped piece of property immediately south of your own site. This triangle is bound by Spring Street, Cain Street and Carnegie Way. Today it is an unsightly collection of three small buildings. With cooperation by nearby property owners, the City of Atlanta and the new federal beautification funds, this tract can become a lovely park.

Other property owners who, like Trailways, would benefit from the project have agreed to contribute a total of \$101,000. These include \$46,000 from Roy Livingston, one of the owners of the American Motor Hotel, \$25,000 from the American Motor Hotel itself, \$20,000 from Davison's and \$10,000 from Mr. Portman.

In order to proceed with the application for federal matching funds, another \$30,000 is needed. It seems to me that Trailways is bound to be a principal beneficiary of this project which will be immediately across Cain Street from your own property. I wonder, therefore, if you and your associates would give serious consideration to making a tax-free contribution in this amount to the City of Atlanta. I would appreciate hearing your thoughts on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Ivan Allen, Jr.
Mayor

IAJr/bf
CC: Mr. John Portman

TRANSCONTINENTAL BUS SYSTEM, INC.

FREDERICK G. CURREY
VICE PRESIDENT-FINANCE

CONTINENTAL BUILDING
DALLAS, TEXAS

March 29, 1967

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mayor Allen:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 19, 1966 addressed to Mr. Moore and for the follow-up memorandum from your Executive Secretary dated January 31, 1967.

In your initial correspondence you suggested that the Transcontinental Bus System, Inc. consider a tax free contribution to the City of Atlanta in connection with a matching funds program to clean up the triangle across the street from our new terminal construction. As you have surmised, we would be interested in seeing any improvement in downtown Atlanta, especially improvement directly adjacent to our property.

As you no doubt have observed, we are planning a very substantial facility that will provide outstanding terminal facilities to accomodate traffic in both the passenger and package express fields. This facility certainly should enable us to service the City of Atlanta in an exemplary manner. We feel additionally that our 800 car parking garage on top of the terminal will be an asset to our area of the city. In short, we are coming to Atlanta to stay. We are making an extremely significant capital investment and we want to be good citizens of Atlanta, Georgia.

It would appear that the suggested figure of \$30,000 for our company is somewhat out of line if one used a measure of total revenue generated on an annual basis, or if one used a measure of total capital investment in facilities. We believe that \$10,000 would represent a most substantial contribution on our part and we know this figure represents a substantial percentage of our capital investment and anticipated annual revenue. I would be interested to know your reaction. I know that our objectives are the same. As you can understand, unlike many other major transportation businesses, we make all of our capital investments and pay taxes on all of our improvements. So, being realistic from a business standpoint, we believe that the \$10,000 should be a top figure.

Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

March 29, 1967

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Because of the term of our present lease in the subject blocks, our offer of a \$10,000 contribution must be made subject to the following items:

- 1) Condemnation of the improvements known as 190-192 Spring Street, N. W. by the appropriate municipal authority, thus effecting termination of our lease as of the date of taking;
- 2) In the event counsel determines that (1) above does not effect termination of the subject lease, then the City of Atlanta must take whatever action might be necessary to cause such lease to be terminated.

I am sending a copy of this letter to my brother, Bradley Currey, Jr., Vice President, Trust Company of Georgia, with whom you are acquainted. I hope you will call upon Brad if you have any questions regarding our corporation.

Yours very truly,


Frederick G. Currey

FGC/ks

cc Bradley Currey, Jr.

Parks Dept

August 17, 1967

Honorable Bill Lee
Southern Railway Company
99 Spring Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Lee:

On August 15, 1967, the Aldermanic Parks Committee discussed the suggestion that the City install a fence along the North and Northeast boundaries of Pittman Park so as to prevent people from crossing the railroad tracks and entering the recreation facility. The Park Engineer had estimated the cost of this project at \$2100 if the fence is installed on a contract or \$1800 if City forces are used. The Parks Committee in a unanimous decision decided not to have the fence installed since in their opinion the City has no obligation. The Committee further felt that the fence would not guarantee the complete absence of trespassing since individuals could go a little bit out of their way and come around the fence or for that matter climb it.

We appreciate your interest in this matter and I am

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg

CC: Mr. J. C. Milton, Southern Railway
Hon. Evan Allen, Jr., Mayor ✓



CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

August 14, 1967

JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER



Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Allen:

I wish to advise that I will be out of the City from Friday, September 1, 1967 thru Sunday, September 10, 1967 on vacation. In my absence, Mr. Pierce Whitley, Assistant General Manager of Parks, will be in charge of the Department. I plan to drive to Expo '67 in Montreal. I will check with the office every day or so in the event that you need me.

Very truly yours,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

JCD:lg





CITY OF ATLANTA

DEPARTMENT of PARKS

Office of General Manager

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

August 15, 1967



JACK C. DELIUS
GENERAL MANAGER

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr.

FROM: Jack C. Delius, General Manager of Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: Replacement of bricks around downtown trees

Attached is a photograph showing the white marble chips which we have placed around trees in the downtown area after having removed the common red brick, etc. The only place where we have not removed bricks is that situation I mentioned in my earlier memorandum regarding the specially made 4 x 4 brick tile on the west side of Peachtree near Harris. These obviously have been specially designed for this location to blend in with the decor of the Peachtree Center and we are hesitant to remove them.

Enclosure

