

October 1, 1968

Mr. W. R. Wofford, Building Official  
Building Department  
City Hall  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Bill:

We are very interested in trying to get some tangible improvements made in Vine City. A non-profit group which appears to have promise, is interested in acquiring a number of the worst properties in the heart of the Vine City area and either rehabilitating them to meet both City and F.H.A. standards or demolishing them and erecting new structures in place of the old.

This group is currently negotiating with Joe Shaffer in an effort to obtain control of his current holdings in the Vine City area only.

In order to form a realistic basis for negotiation between the non-profit group and current owners of the property, I would appreciate it if you will have some of your people in the Housing Code enforcement prepare a list of all of the properties in the Vine City area (bounded by West Hunter Street, Sunset Avenue, Simpson Street and Northside Drive) which are known to be owned by Joe Shaffer and or any of his affiliated companies; and indicate the appraised value of each, as shown on Courthouse Tax Records.

As we are trying to move rapidly on this project, I would like to get the above indicated information as soon as feasible.

Sincerely,

Dan E. Sweat, Jr.  
Director of Governmental Liaison

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