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Mrs. Robert M. Bunzl  
President  
Pro-Mozart Society of Atlanta, Georgia  
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Dear Mrs. Bunzl:

Thank you for your recent letter supporting a permanent performing arts facility in Piedmont Park.

The Planning Department has put together a five year Urban Beautification Program in which we proposed redesign of Piedmont Park during the first year and redevelopment in stages over the subsequent four years. A performing arts facility can easily be included in the redesign program, but it is doubtful if the facility itself would be an eligible item under the Program.

The Urban Beautification Program is based on an approximate 50 - 50 sharing of cost between Federal Government and City. At this time the City cannot finance the proposal. There is a possibility that a much cut back version can be funded which would not include redevelopment of Piedmont Park. However, it could be put back in another year. Unfortunately this is another example of the City losing out on Federal grants because we are not able to finance our share of the cost.

In my opinion the location of a performing arts facility should be part of an adopted redesign plan for the park and is the reason construction of such a facility should wait until the City can finance the redesign.

I am referring your letter to Mr. Landers, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor, and Mr. Delius, General Manager of Parks.

Sincerely,

G. Eric Harkness  
Long Range Planning Section

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cc: Earl Landers  
Jack Delius