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October 29, 2013

Rhonda Dauphin Johnson
Atlanta City Council
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RE: Urban Design Commission

Dear Madam Clerk:

It is with great pleasure that I reappoint Mr. Johnny Edwards to serve on the Urban Design Commission. Mr. Edwards has a very impressive background and has served on the Commission in the past. I feel he will continue to serve as a strong asset to the board with a level of unwavering commitment.

This appointment is for a **term of three (3) years** on the date of Council confirmation.

Attached is a copy of Mr. Edward's biographical sketch for your records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Caesar C. Mitchell", written over a horizontal line.

Ceasar C. Mitchell

Cc: Councilmember Yolanda Adrean, Chair of Committee on Council

James E. Shelby, Commissioner, Department of Planning and Community Development

Charletta Wilson Jacks, Director of Department of Planning and Community Development

Professional Background

Johnny Edwards has 38 years of professional experience in facility programming, planning, design, and project direction and construction administration. Mr. Edwards has a diverse base of project expertise. Mr. Edwards' responsibilities have included strategic facilities planning, master planning, programming, design team management and liaison with specialty consultants. In addition to participating in professional organizations such as the AIA and NOMA, his civic activities included serving five years on the Board of Zoning Adjustment City of Atlanta; for two of those years he served as the Vice Chairman.

Current and Past Employers

R L BROWN & ASSOCIATES, INC – 19 years

Education (Degree/Training)

Bachelor of Architecture, 1971,
Southern University College of Engineering

Courses completed during the past five (5) years

Privatization & Public Private Partnerships: Lessons Learned, GASFA
Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson Airport Takes Off, GASFA
Wayfinding Through Signage
Efficient Storage Solutions for Healthcare Facilities
Underground Stormwater Management
Green Plumbing Design

Previous Planning Work Experience

City of Decatur
City Schools of Decatur
Fulton County School System
DeKalb County School System School
Morehouse College Campus Master Plan
Atlanta Technical College Campus
Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Include two (2) references for each key personnel member on similar projects

Andre Bertrand
VP Facilities Morehouse College

Vining, Isaac
Director

Atlanta, GA

Technical College System of Georgia

Include the role and responsibilities that each key personnel member will perform on this project

Senior Designer - As the Senior Designer, Johnny Edwards has 38 years of professional experience in facility programming, planning, design, and project direction and construction administration. Experienced as a Project Manager, Designer, Construction Contract Administrator and Project Architect, Mr. Edwards has extensive experience in Aviation, Rapid Transit Facilities; Higher Educational Facilities, Museums and Performing Arts Facilities, as well as Recreational Facilities. Edwards has a strong business background that includes 5 years managing an Atlanta-based Architecture and Interior Design firm. Currently Mr. Edwards is leading the Design effort of Morehouse School of Performing Arts. As the Project Architect for the Development of a Citywide 10 Year Strategic Plan *Mr. Edwards will be responsible for managing the entire spectrum of planning with a design and technical focus.* Mr. Edwards has excellent organizational, interpersonal, verbal, written and visual communication skills and a wealth of professional experience in educational facility planning and programming, design direction and construction administration. *His experience includes the City of Decatur Master Plan, Atlanta Technical College Campus Master Plan, Morehouse College Campus Master Plan, Arabia Mountain High School Master Plan, and Decatur High School Master Plan.* A seasoned professional, Mr. Edwards experience provides the credentials required to be of significant value to the City of Decatur.

Registrations & Licenses

Registered Professional Architect:
Georgia 3437 & Alabama 2301
NCARB Certified