

RELOCATION SUMMARY

PARCEL NO: 21-7

OCCUPANT: Mrs. Beulah James

NEW ADDRESS: 4550 N. Borthwick

Mrs. James moved into the upstairs one-bedroom unit of 3911-13 N. Commercial in August, 1959, where she paid \$50 per month rent. In April, 1962, her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Fowlkes, moved into the lower flat. The PDC negotiated with the property owners for acquisition of the property, and in October, 1965, completed the transaction and purchased the duplex.

The following week, Mr. James Frazier of the PDC relocation staff interviewed Mrs. James, who believed she was about 61 at the time. She indicated that she would have to remain with her daughter because of her age and health.

Mr. Frazier made several referrals to Mrs. James and the Fowlkes, and inspected the home at 4550 N. Borthwick for them on October 25, 1965. He found that it met city standards. Mrs. James moved with her daughter's family to that house on November 5, 1965, and later that month the PDC paid her moving costs of \$81.00.

Mrs. James liked the Park Site area, with its proximity to stores and to her church.

She now lives with her daughter and family in their new home where she again pays \$50 per month rent. She is somewhat lonely in her new community, and has not yet made any friends in the vicinity. The closest Park Site relocatees live five blocks away in the project area; the closest of her former neighbors live 13 blocks away.

The PDC relocation staff tried to verify her age through local social agencies and attempted to contact the Baptist Church in Paris, Texas, for a record of her baptism. However, no verification could be obtained from any of these sources. Therefore, the PDC could not determine whether or not Mrs. James would qualify for a Relocation Adjustment Payment.

RELOCATION SUMMARY

PARCEL NO: 21-7

OCCUPANTS: James and Wilena Fowlkes and children

NEW ADDRESS: 4550 N. Borthwick Avenue

James and Wilena Fowlkes and their three children moved into the downstairs flat of the duplex at 3913 N. Commercial Ave. in April, 1962, where they paid \$60 per month as rent. At the time this apartment was quite adequate for their needs, and the proximity to Mrs. James, Wilena's mother, was beneficial to all. During the Fowlkes' 3½ year stay there, three additional children were born, which left them overcrowded.

During early October, 1965, the PDC concluded negotiations with the owners and obtained title to the N. Commercial Ave. property. In anticipation of this acquisition, Mr. James Frazier of the PDC relocation staff visited the Fowlkes' in mid-September to help guide their search for a new home. At the time they did not wish to purchase a home. During the course of September and October the Fowlkes' conferred with Mr. Frazier on five occasions, and the PDC referred to them three lists of houses either for rent or sale, and inspected two other homes for them, before they decided to purchase their present home at 4550 N. Borthwick Avenue.

The Fowlkes' moved themselves to their present five-bedroom home on November 5, 1965. Wilena Fowlkes' mother, Mrs. Beulah James, lives in one bedroom, and the family has adequate space with the remaining four bedrooms. The PDC paid their moving costs of \$96.00 on November 24, 1965. By October, 1966, the PDC had succeeded in removing some difficulties in making Relocation Adjustment Payments, and were able to pay the Fowlkes an additional \$500.00 for which they were eligible.

In June, 1966, Mr. Lawrence Monk of the PDC relocation staff visited with the Fowlkes. They felt that their present home was in better condition than the N. Commercial Ave. property, and had more room. The closest of their former neighbors live about eight blocks away.

Jim and Wilena expect their children to use the ANIP Park after its completion. They are 5½ blocks away from that park, ten blocks from Peninsula, and significantly farther from any other park. Jim does not feel in a position to evaluate whether the ANIP Park is needed; this decision he will leave to those whom he feels are more qualified to make it. If the park is needed, then moving is all right with him, although "nobody likes to move."

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Since their move, Jim has changed jobs in order to increase his income, and will continue looking for better-paying jobs in order to provide a more adequate income for his family.