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Mayor and Aldermen
City of Savannah
Savannah, Georgia

Gentlemen:

This is the year-end report for the 1964 budget year.

The year 1964 was a busy one for the City. It was a year that saw more than \$2,000,000 in capital improvements started. It was a year in which further progress was made to improve the operation of various city departments, including the Police Department, the Finance Department and the City Garage. The year 1964 also saw the City initiate a study to develop a plan to correct the pollution problems created by the city's sewerage system.

Of the many achievements in 1964, the following deserve special recognition:

1. The City's first annual capital improvement budget was adopted and placed into execution.
2. For the second consecutive budget year, the City ended its budget year with a cash surplus and for the tenth consecutive year the City ended the budget year with a revenue surplus.
3. The City paved more than six miles of streets. These included:
 - a. Some five miles of street paving.
 - b. Extending Bay Street to President Street.
 - c. Paving the roads serving Memorial Stadium in cooperation with the State Highway Department and Chatham County.
 - d. Resurfacing the in-city portion of LaRoche Avenue.

- e. Widening key intersections on Skidaway Road.
 - f. Providing turning lanes at McAlpin and Victory Drive and at Abercorn and Stevenson Avenue.
4. A new digester and a grit chamber were installed at the Bacon Park Treatment Plant.
 5. An outdoor camping park was constructed in Bacon Park.
 6. A contract to remodel the Police Court and Police Headquarters building was awarded.
 7. A contract to construct training facilities in Bacon Park for the Fire Department was awarded.
 8. The City Auditorium was renovated. The interior was painted. New seats were installed in the dress circle. The Orchestra Level seats were re-upholstered. Improvements to the stage were made including the replacing of the stage floor, the installation of new curtains and backdrops.
 9. The City joined with Chatham County to create a Joint Data Processing Center. A computer was installed at the center.
 10. A Central Garage was created to service all city vehicles. A contract was awarded to enlarge and modernize the City Garage facilities.
 11. The development of a park in Nathanael Greene Subdivision was started.
 12. A comprehensive study was made of the Police Department and, on the basis of this study, a reorganization program was started in the Department.
 13. The first full year of use of the new telephone fire reporting system was completed. False alarms in 1964 with the new system totalled only 112 as compared to 284 in 1963 with the old fire alarm system.
 14. The City offered to join with property owners and businessmen to develop a revitalization program for the downtown area.

Some of the highlights of the activities of each of the city departments in 1964

are contained in the accompanying report.

As you can see, 1964 was indeed a year of progress and achievement for the City. The community can point to these accomplishments with a justifiable pride. They were a credit to you, the community, to the nearly 1200 City employees, and to the many private citizens who serve on the various Boards and Commissions of city government.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Arthur A. Mendonsa". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Arthur A. Mendonsa
City Manager

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RECEIPTS - 1964

General Fund

Property Tax	\$4,624,370
Tax Fees and Interest	50,797
Other Tax	534,281
License and Permits	923,796
Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties	272,133
Interest	128,690
Rents	29,751
From Other Agencies	179,941
Inspection Fees	48,813
Stadiums and Auditorium	53,419
Charges	531,717
Other Revenues	<u>199,969</u>

Total General Fund

\$ 7,577,677

Water and Sewer Fund

Water Sales	\$2,127,721
Water Tap-in fees	58,329
Water Line Extensions	33,441
Water Cut-on fees	4,913
Sewer Connection Fees	22,014
Sewer Service Fees	158,665
Interest on Investments	33,389
I & D Debt Payment	153,191
Miscellaneous	<u>5,234</u>

Total Water and Sewer Fund

\$ 2,596,897

Grand Total Receipts

\$10,174,574

EXPENDITURES - 1964

<u>General Fund</u>		
Legislative	\$ 62,075	
City Manager	58,379	
Recorder's Court	40,517	
Legal	22,983	
Registrations and Elections	11,097	
Finance	332,158	
Personnel	51,894	
Public Improvements	1,513,558	
Traffic Engineering	245,674	
Police	1,142,811	
Fire	1,002,817	
Library	223,534	
Recreation	313,716	
Park & Tree	315,038	
Medical Services	128,338	
Interdepartmental	1,485,647	
Non-departmental	<u>598,699</u>	
Total General Fund		\$ 7,548,935
 <u>Water & Sewer Fund</u>		
Operating Costs		
Public Improvements	834,920	
Finance	122,779	
Interdepartmental	<u>155,836</u>	
Total Operating Costs		\$ 1,113,535
Debt Service		982,578
Capital Improvements Program		<u>489,785</u>
Total Water & Sewer Fund		<u>\$ 2,585,898</u>
Grand Total Expenditures		<u><u>\$10,134,833</u></u>

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

The Department of Public Improvements has many functions. It operates and maintains the City's water and sewerage systems. It installs drainage facilities and maintains the drainage system. It collects and disposes of refuse and garbage. It maintains the City's street system. It inspects sidewalks and sees to their repair. It enforces the City's weed cutting ordinance. It administers the various codes regulating building construction and land use. Finally, it engineers and supervises the construction and development projects undertaken by the City.

Progress was made in each of the areas which are the responsibility of the Department of Public Improvements. However, the improvements to the street system, the water and sewerage systems, and the drainage system are especially worthy of note. The more significant improvements in each of the areas are listed below.

Improvements to the Water and Sewerage Systems:

1. Emergency stand-by engines were installed at two city wells.
2. Fire hydrants were extended to Sunset Park and Poplar Place.
3. Water and sewer service was extended to the New Armstrong College Campus.
4. A telemetering system for the water system was installed which will provide a basis for monitoring pressure and other conditions within the water system.
5. A new grit chamber and a new digester were installed at the Bacon Park Sewage Treatment Plant.
6. A consultant was employed to study the pollution problems created by the City's sewerage system and to develop a program to correct these problems.

Improvements to the City's Street System:

1. Contracts were let to pave more than six miles of streets.
2. The City resurfaced the in-city portion of LaRoche Avenue.

3. The City joined with the State to pave the roads leading to Memorial Stadium.
4. Contracts were let to widen key intersections on Skidaway Road and to widen the intersection of Waters Avenue with Delesseps Avenue and Columbus Drive.
5. A program to stabilize unpaved streets with clay and gravel was instituted. Some 15 miles of streets were stabilized under this program.

Improvements to the City's Drainage System:

In 1964, some fifteen projects to extend drainage facilities were completed. These projects added a total of 1.7 miles of drainage lines to the drainage system. In addition, the City's capability to clear drainage ditches was doubled by the purchase of a crawler back-hoe ditch-digging machine.

A tabulation of some of the performance statistics for various activities of the department in 1964 is contained in the following table.

WORK STATISTICS
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS DEPARTMENT

	<u>Number</u>
<u>General</u>	
Petitions reviewed	288
Service Orders filled (Complaints & Work)	16,221
<u>Water Distribution</u>	
Pipes installed (feet)	42,139
Water tap-in made	994
Leaks repaired	2,030
Water pumped and distributed daily average (million gallons)	20
Pipe lines maintained (miles)	300
Water valves maintained	2,800
Water meters maintained	3,600
Fire hydrants maintained	2,500
<u>Water Supply and Treatment</u>	
Wells operated	15
Chlorinators operated	14
<u>Sewer Treatment and Disposal</u>	
Lift Stations operated	17
Sewage treated at ponds (daily average-gallon)	115,835
<u>Drainage Maintenance</u>	
Canals and large drainage ditches cleaned (miles)	12
Small drainage ditches cleaned (miles)	143
Flood gates cleaned	140
Flood gates repaired	11
Culverts cleaned (feet)	9,813
Culverts installed (feet)	112
<u>Refuse Collection and Street Cleaning</u>	
Refuse and trash collected (pounds)	112,000,000
Streets swept (miles)	21,698
<u>Sewage Collection</u>	
Sewer pipes installed (feet)	4,285
Catch basins cleaned	10,776
Catch basins built	36
Manholes cleaned	1,893

	<u>Number</u>
<u>Sewage Collection (Continued)</u>	
Sewers rodded	1, 274
Sewer mains repaired	290
<u>Inspectional Services</u>	
Building permits issued	1, 073
Building permits inspections made	3, 778
Other building inspections made (request of city departments and/or public)	465
Electrical permits issued	3, 302
Electrical permit inspections made	6, 501
Other electrical inspections made (request of city departments and/or public)	650
Plumbing permits issued	1, 865
Plumbing permits inspections made	9, 529
Other plumbing inspections made (request of city departments and/or public)	253
<u>Engineering</u>	
Plans prepared for sewer projects	10
Plans prepared for street paving projects	20
Plans prepared for drainage projects	15
Construction contracts supervised	43
<u>Streets and Sidewalks</u>	
Sidewalk repair notices sent	187
Streets paved (miles)	6. 27.
Unpaved streets graded (miles)	902
Unpaved streets stabilized with clay and gravel (miles)	15

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department is responsible for protecting life and property through the enforcement of the statutes of the State of Georgia and the ordinances of the City of Savannah. The Police Department is a service organization, as well as enforcement agency. Members of the department provide many services in addition to their functions of law enforcement. Police officers give directions and information to in-town as well as out-of-town citizens who need assistance; they render emergency first aid, and they report conditions which require the attention of other city departments.

During 1964, police vehicles travelled over 1,441,000 miles on patrol throughout the City. This represents an increase of 4,200 miles over 1963. In addition, the department recorded and investigated 14,335 law violations.

In 1964, a study of the police operations was made by the Public Administration Service. On the basis of recommendations resulting from this study a reorganization program was undertaken. A new system of patrol beats was established. A full-time training program was instituted. A Staff and Inspection Bureau was created. The Traffic Division was abolished and made a part of a new Patrol Bureau. A tactical squad was created. A Youth and Women's Unit was organized. The Records and Communication function was made a part of a new service bureau.

As a part of the new look in the Police Department, a contract was awarded to remodel the police headquarters building. The remodeling project will be completed in mid-1965.

Another important development in police activities in 1964 was the establishment of a Vice Unit which reports directly to the Chief. This unit is responsible for investigating liquor law violations, gambling, prostitution, narcotic traffic, and general vice repression. During the ten months of its operation in 1964, this unit made 493 arrests on vice charges. This represents a significant increase over prior years and has resulted in a significant decrease in illegal lottery activity.

Clearance rates for Part I Crimes in 1964 are shown in the table which follows.

CLEARANCE RATES
PART I CRIMES
1964

<u>Type of Offense</u>	<u>Offenses Known</u>	<u>Cleared by Arrests</u>	
		<u>No.</u>	<u>%</u>
Murder	17	16	94
Rape	32	15	47
Robbery	195	49	25
Aggravated Assault	704	509	71
Burglary	1,755	316	18
Larceny (\$50 or over)	767	100	13
Auto Theft	<u>474</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>16</u>
Totals	3,944	1,080	27%

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Finance Department assists the City Manager with the preparation and execution of the City's Annual Budget. To this end this department operates a system of accounts and controls over expenditures. This department is responsible for purchasing and supply management, for billing and collecting revenues, and for disbursing funds. In addition, the Finance Department, through the Research and Budget Division, engages in a wide range of study and research projects, for the City Manager's Office and for other city departments.

During the past year, programs were instituted within the department which would provide more effective control over expenditures and revenue collections. The most significant of these was a program establishing the quarterly allotment of budget appropriations. This program has made it possible to coordinate spending schedules with revenue collections.

The City ended the 1964 budget year in excellent financial condition. For the tenth consecutive year, the City ended its budget year with a revenue surplus and for the second consecutive year, the City ended its budget year with a cash surplus. The cash surplus in 1964 totalled \$39,741.

A more detailed analysis of the City's financial condition is contained in the financial report and audit for 1964.

A summary of income and expenditures for 1964 is shown below.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Surplus</u>
General Funds	\$ 7,577,677	\$ 7,548,935	\$28,742
Water & Sewer Fund	<u>2,596,897</u>	<u>2,585,898</u>	<u>10,999</u>
Total	\$10,174,574	\$10,134,833	\$39,741

Some work statistics for the Department of Finance in 1964 are shown in the following table.

WORK STATISTICS
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

	<u>Number</u>
<u>Accounting</u>	
Service orders and requisitions preaudited	13,982
Payroll checks processed	45,590
Journal entries prepared	585
 <u>Tax Assessor</u>	
Tax digest changes processed	5,809
Properties inspected in field	2,653
Personal property renditions received	25,460
 <u>Treasury</u>	
Business Licenses issued	4,896
Number of payments received by mail	246,912
Number of payments received over counter	61,741
Real estate transfers checked	4,211
Field investigations made	1,925
Telephone investigations made	2,585
 <u>Purchasing</u>	
Specifications prepared	172
Bids received	6,125
Purchase orders processed	7,312
Warehouse items issued	331,542
 <u>Research and Budget</u>	
Employee Requisitions reviewed	495
Budget adjustments reviewed	64 ✓ 324
Capital outlay requests reviewed	270
Requests for Revised Personnel Quota reviewed	55
Studies made	40
 <u>Water Service Office</u>	
Number of information requests answered:	
By telephone	26,652
Over counter	22,215
Meter inspections made	4,683
Cut-offs for non-payment	4,576

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

The Personnel Department is responsible for developing and administering the City's personnel program. This involves the recruiting, examining, and certifying of candidates for the City employment; the administration of the classification and compensation plan; the application of personnel rules, policies and procedures to personnel actions; the development and operation of employee relations programs; and the maintenance of appropriate personnel records.

In 1964, the Personnel Department helped to establish position control systems, broadened the City's safety program by having all drivers of City vehicles tested by the State Mobile Laboratory Testing Unit, prepared a survey of in-service training needed, inaugurated an employees' suggestion system, expanded recruitment programs to include school visitation, developed employee awards programs that will recognize graduates of training programs, made pay classification studies, and proposed needed revisions in the pay and position classification.

In addition, the Department conducted training classes in performance rating, dictation, and telephone courtesy for selected personnel of the City administration.

Personnel transactions in which the Department was engaged are reflected on the following table.

PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT

<u>Personnel Transactions</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>Change</u>
Recruitment and Selection:			
Advertisements	134	271	+ 137
Applications	1,848	1,889	+ 41
Written Examinations	99	220	+ 121
Examinees (written exams)	991	1,316	+ 325
Oral Examinations	22	27	+ 5
Examinees (oral exams)	126	205	+ 79
Agility Tests	7	35	+ 28
Examinees (agility tests)	40	118	+ 78
Performance Examinations	10	34	+ 24
Examinees (perf. exams)	35	587	+ 552
Number of appointments	242	338	+ 96
Personnel Actions:			
Suspensions	43	20	- 23
Separations	286	242	- 44
Classification and Pay:			
Classes Created	42	17	- 25
Classes Abolished	27	12	- 15
Training			
No. of Training Classes Conducted	1	66	+ 65
No. of employees trained	2	166	+ 164
No. of Training Hours Conducted	5	100	+ 95
Employee Relations:			
Union Committee Meetings	11	12	+ 1
Civil Service Board Meetings	24	15	- 9
Appeal Hearings	1	3	+ 2

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The primary function of the Fire Department is the protection of the lives and property of citizens of the City from damage or destruction by fire and explosive hazards.

Savannah's modern Fire Department not only answers alarms to fight fire but conducts an intensive program of fire prevention. Fire prevention activities are carried on by regular inspections. An education program is also conducted by the department in an attempt to keep the citizens aware of fire hazards and to prevent conditions which are contributing factors in starting fires. Savannah's firemen answered 1,776 alarms during 1964.

To maintain its firefighting capabilities, the City began a systematic program to replace and modernize equipment. Under this program, funds are appropriated each year to provide for equipment replacements. In 1964, funds in the amount of \$96,000 were authorized for this purpose. With these funds, the City purchased one 1,000 gallon per minute pumper, a hose truck, an 85 foot aerial ladder truck, and one passenger car.

The new emergency telephone alarm system which was installed late in 1963 has resulted in a sixty-six per cent decrease in false fire alarms over 1963. Also, construction has begun on a fire drill tower at Bacon Park. This fire drill tower will permit an expansion of the fire fighter's training program and will increase the overall efficiency of the department.

As an indication of the continuous growth of the Fire Department's activities outside of the City Limits of Savannah, the Department now has 356 out-of-the-City subscribers for fire protection. This figure represents an increase of 34 over 1963.

The following table shows major statistics for the Fire Department.

MAJOR STATISTICS
FIRE DEPARTMENT

<u>Service</u>	<u>1964</u>
Number of Fire Alarms received	
Residential dwellings	437
Business and industrial	130
Others (open areas, vehicles, etc.)	590
Number of false alarms	112
Value of property losses	
Business and industrial	\$376,904
Residential	\$195,871
Number of Fire Prevention Code Inspections conducted	
Business and Industrial	5,401
Residential dwellings	7,395
Others (open areas, tanks, etc.)	640
Number of Inhalator Alarms	208
Number of Fire Protection Subscribers (Outside of City)	356
Amount of Protection Fees (Subscribers outside of City)	\$ 36,171

TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

The Traffic Engineering Department is responsible for expediting the safe movement of traffic, through the use of signs, signals, pavement markings, and traffic signals. It also is responsible for the regulation of parking through stall markings, time limits, and parking meters, and operation of a parking lot.

Maintenance of traffic control devices and parking meters is provided by the Department except that the City Electrician maintains traffic signals.

During 1964, the Traffic Engineering Department conducted over 10 parking studies, as well as a number of surveys relative to traffic signals, painting, signs, and lighting. The parking studies involved the central business district, Jones and Abercorn Streets, free all-day parking areas, and studies to collect current information in connection with the Chatham Urban Transportation Study being conducted by the Metropolitan Planning Commission and the State Highway Department.

A new traffic signal system was put into operation at Paulsen and DeRenne. The controller for this system is transistorized, the first of this type to be used in Savannah. Also, traffic signals were installed at Victory Drive and McAlpin Street and 52nd Street and Skidaway Road.

By removing parking and use of pavement marking and overhead signs, a lane was added on Anderson Street from Drayton to Abercorn Streets; and signal heads were added facing traffic on Abercorn Street at Anderson Street. These measures improved conditions at one of the most critical traffic spots in Savannah.

Other improvements in 1964 included installation of street name signs to correct duplication of street names and the painting and repainting of traffic lines and crosswalks.

The following table presents selected work statistics for the Traffic Engineering Department in 1964.

WORK STATISTICS
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

<u>Parking Meters</u>	<u>1964</u>
Meters in use	1,921
Meters repaired	2,886
Meters replaced	556
 <u>City Parking Lot</u>	
Number of spaces	135
Number of cars parked	31,580
 <u>Street Lights</u>	
Number in operation	2,900
 <u>Accidents</u>	
Number of accidents	4,928
Number of vehicles registered	78,850
Accident rate per - 100 registered vehicles	6.1
Persons injured	1,357
Deaths	11
 <u>Traffic Controls</u>	
Signalized intersections	120
Intersections with stop or yield signs	1,261
Lines painted (miles)	60
Street Name signs installed	382
Traffic signs replaced	2,684

RECREATION COMMISSION

The Savannah Recreation Commission is responsible for managing, directing and caring for all municipal recreation facilities and areas. This Commission is also responsible for organizing and supervising the City's public recreation program.

In 1964, the 104 recreational facilities operated by the Commission accommodated a total of 2,175,000 spectators and/or participants in various programs.

New facilities included the construction of a new 20-tent campsite at Bacon Park, an expanded team-dressing and locker room facilities at Memorial Stadium, one physical fitness obstacle course, two ball diamonds at Bacon Park, the opening of the 39th Street Golden Age Center, and a new playground at both Staley Heights and Cloverdale.

The City Auditorium was renovated. Improvements included painting, installation of new seats, and the improvement of the heating and lighting systems. The new office of the Recreational Commission improved the efficiency of its operations. Painting and repairing of all the City's playgrounds were also accomplished. New playground equipment was added to Daffin, Wells, Forrest Hills, Davant, Cann, and Fred Wessels playgrounds.

During 1964, six out of seven State Championships were won by the City's Little Pony and Municipal Boys' Baseball Teams and the adults men's and women's softball teams. As a new recreation program, an eight team, 1500 participant Flag Football League was started. Also, Savannah served as host for five State Sport tournaments.

Shown on the following page are statistics of selected activities of the Recreation Commission.

WORK STATISTICS
RECREATION COMMISSION

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Number</u>
Baseball games	3,288
Softball games	6,700
Football games	6,500
Basketball games	1,500
Attendance at Cunningham Golden Age Center	56,591
Number of Club Meetings	1,502
Number of Archery Meetings	1,025
Volleyball Games	279
Soccer Games	68
Craft articles made	21,773
Art classes	84
Special programs and tournaments	327
Exhibits	122
Telephone inquiries received	15,774
Visits to office by public	7,719
Tennis classes	45
Grass cut (acres)	4,279
Repairs to playground equipment	1,065
Game areas marked (feet)	780,834
Recreational facilities operated	104

PARK AND TREE COMMISSION

The Park and Tree Commission is responsible for the care, preservation, maintenance, and improvement of the parks, squares, grass plats, and cemeteries. The Commission is also responsible for the care and removal of trees in street rights-of-way.

During 1964, the Park and Tree Commission maintained 245 acres of parks; began work to beautify Greene Square; began to develop Nathanael Greene Park; and joined with Forward Savannah to beautify the foot of East Broad Street by the creation of Lower Emmett Park.

The Commission also planted and removed trees located on City property. Other tree work included trimming, special tree surgery, stump removal, pruning and disposal of all tree trunks and other debris. The Commission's tree-trimming capabilities were increased by the purchase of a hydro-lift tree-trimming truck.

Another important function of the Commission is maintenance and operation of Bonaventure, Greenwich, and Laurel Grove Cemeteries.

A tabulation of some of the various activities of the Park and Tree Commission is shown on the following table.

WORK STATISTICS
PARK AND TREE COMMISSION

<u>Service</u>	<u>1964</u>
Acres of parks maintained	245
Trees planted	284
Shrubs planted	8,067
Trees trimmed	4,511
Stumps removed	345
Perpetual care cemetery lots maintained	2,253
Annual care cemetery lots maintained	142
Work orders prepared	1,630
Permits issued to install memorials on cemetery lots	196
Cemetery burials recorded	406

CITY AND REGIONAL LIBRARY

The City and Regional Library serves as the central reference information agency for the City of Savannah and the region consisting of Chatham County, Effingham County, and Liberty County. The library offers support to local civic and cultural activities, and provides materials for constructive recreation. Its resources include books, magazines, and other printed matter, as well as records and pictures. Its local history collection is of special value.

The library system includes the central facility, three community branch libraries, eight sub-branch libraries, one school branch library, and three bookmobiles.

In 1964, the library experienced notable growth in almost all of its service activities. The total financial support from the various co-operating official groups was the largest ever given to the library system. There was more new material added to the library's collection than at any time previously. Progress was made in consolidating the collection of the Carnegie Library into that of the Main Library and in the updating, generally, of the library's public catalog which is the index to its collections. In addition, the library exceeded national standards by increasing library book circulation 7% over 1963. Its programs to the schools and to children were particularly active, and its reference services supplied information in a large variety of areas for individuals and organizations of the community.

During this year, library service was started at the Herbert Kayton Sub-branch. Also, the Yamacraw Village branch was modernized and expanded.

Comparison of library funds 1963-1964:

Source	1963		1964	
City of Savannah	\$203,813	65.8%	\$223,527	66.0%
State	60,754	19.6%	68,962	20.3%
Other Local Gov'ts.	45,291	14.6%	46,501	13.7%
Total	\$309,858	100.0%	\$338,990	100.0%

The following table reflects selected work statistics of the City and Regional Library.

WORK STATISTICS
CITY AND REGIONAL LIBRARY

<u>Service</u>	<u>Number</u>
Books lent	967,382
Framed pictures lent	995
Records lent	8,830
Reference queries answered	27,411
Children's literature study meetings conducted	5
"Friends of the Library" programs conducted	5
Story hours conducted for children	214
Active borrowers served	52,501
Books added	23,906
Books reviews conducted	8
Materials maintained:	
Books	244,841
Newspapers and magazine subscriptions	666
Pamphlets and prints	17,793
Phonograph records	2,452

1964
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS
STARTED AND COMPLETED OR STARTED

Street Paving

Bay Street - President Street Connector
Abercorn Street - Left turn lane at Stevenson Avenue
Victory Drive - Left turn lane at McAlpin Street
Mayer Drive - All
Waters Avenue (widening) - 57th Street Lane to Columbus Drive Lane
Henry Street Lane - Waters Avenue to Live Oak Street
41st Street Lane - Lincoln Street to Habersham Street
51st Street - 1600 Block (curbs and gutters only)
West Side Paving Projects - portions of West 38th, 40th, 46th,
47th, and 57th Streets
Ferrill Street - Augusta Road to Richards
Skidaway Road intersection widenings - Henry Street, 38th Street, 41st Street,
Sunset, 52nd Street, Fernwood Avenue, Intermediate Road, and DeRenne Avenue
Linnhurst Drive - Skidaway Road to Nunez Street
Laura Street - Beach Street to Causton Bluff Road
39th Street - one block
65th Street - one block
Alpine Drive
Stadium Road - in cooperation with State Highway Department and Chatham County
LaRoche Avenue - resurfacing the in-city portion
Magazine Avenue - Louisville Road to S & O Canal

Drainage (Storm Sewers)

Colonial Drive and Bacon Park Drive
38th Street - Florence to Bullock - for paving project
74th - Varn Drive at Habersham Street
1306-1308 Brightwood
Oxford Drive
Magazine Avenue - Louisville Road to S & O Canal - for paving project
66th Lane - Bull to Abercorn
47th Street, 39th Street, 65th Street, and Alpine Drive - for paving projects
Poplar Place
Laura Street (Eli Whitney School Area) - for paving project
Linnhurst Drive area - for paving project
Hull Street sub-drain

Drainage (Storm Sewers) (Continued)

Skidaway Road to Sunset Boulevard
City Lot drainage
Improved drainage at the site of the Red Cross Building

Water

Installed standby engine at City Wells 3 and 8

Constructed water lines ahead of paving at Laura Street from Beach Street to Causton Bluff Road, 38th Street - Florence to Bullock, 51st Street - Florence to Hopkins, 40th Street, 46th Street, 47th Street, Linnhurst Drive, and Magazine Avenue

Constructed water lines to new subdivisions: Wilshire, Phase 7; Glynnwood, Phase 3; Wilshire, Phase 8; Bacon Park, Phase 1; and Tranquilla Woods, Phase 2.

Modified City Water Well Number 1

Improved water distribution system to Sunset Park and Poplar Place to provide greater protection against fire

Constructed water lines to Armstrong College

Completed construction of water main at Montgomery Crossroad

Extended water service to the new camp site at Bacon Park and to the new Park and Tree Commission building at the City Lot

Installed telemetering system for monitoring pressure and other conditions within the water system

Sanitary Sewer

Added digester and grit chamber at the Bacon Park Treatment Plant

Increased capacity of lift station at Delesseps Avenue

Sanitary Sewer (Continued)

Installed sanitary sewage aeration basin (mechanically operated) at Windsor Forest Subdivision

Made modifications to Abercorn Terrace, Lamara, and Magnolia Lift Stations

Made sewer extensions at 73rd Street; Wright Street; Shangrila Subdivision; Largo Drive and Abercorn Expressway; Dixie Plywood; Bacon Park Woods; Barjan Terrace; Wilshire, Phase 7; Glynnwood, Phase 3; Wilshire, Phase 8; and Armstrong College

Constructed a sanitary sewer system for Sunset Park

Extended sewage service to new camp site at Bacon Park and the new Park & Tree Commission building at the City Lot

Parks and Squares

Started development of Nathanael Greene Park

Started renovation of Greene Square

Joined Forward Savannah to beautify the foot of East Broad Street by creation of Lower Emmett Park

Installed sprinkler system at 53rd and 54th Streets and at 46th and Washington Streets

Public Buildings

City Auditorium renovated

Clerk of Council's Office renovated

Central Garage enlarged and modernized

City Hall - roof installed

Police and Court Building - remodeling project started

Construction of training facilities for Fire Department started on a site in Bacon Park

Traffic Engineering

Installed traffic signal system at Paulsen and DeRenne with transistorized controller

Installed traffic signal at Victory Drive and McAlpin

Installed traffic signal at 52nd and Skidaway

Capital Improvements Projects (Continued)

Recreation

Installed lights on softball field

Constructed out-door camping site at Bacon Park

Expanded team-dressing and locker room facilities at Memorial Stadium

Constructed two ball diamonds at Bacon Park

Constructed one physical obstacle course

Established a new playground at both Staley Heights and Cloverdale

Renovated three tennis courts

Renovation of recreation office started

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