

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD ON MARCH 26, 1958

The Members of the Boston Redevelopment Authority met in regular session at the offices of the Authority, Room 350, 73 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts, at 10:00 a.m. on March 26th, 1958. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, and upon roll call those present and absent were as follows:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Joseph W. Lund	Melvin J. Massucco (came into
Very Rev. Msgr.	Stephen E. McCloskey (meeting
Francis J. Lally	(later
James G. Colbert	

The minutes of the meeting of March 19, 1958 were read by the Secretary.
On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the minutes as read.

After a poll taken of all the Members, the Chairman cancelled the meeting of March 20, 1958, 5:30 p. m. at the Parker House, because of the storm. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to ratify the action of the Chairman.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to repay the West End Planning Advance, plus interest, out of the West End Loan and Grant Contract funds as required by the provisions of said Contract.

Mr. McCloskey entered the meeting at this point,

On the recommendation of the Executive Director, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: (1) to approve an extension of time of 684 calendar days to the John J. Duane Company in connection with the New York Streets Demolition Contract No. 1; (2) to approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$4104 for damages to the Contractor due to the delay in release of parcels for demolition,

and that the Executive Director be authorized to execute such Change Order;
 (3) to approve final payment to the Contractor in the amount of \$25,361 in full settlement for services performed under said Contract.

The Executive Director presented a request from Jerome L. Rappaport, Counsel for Charles River Park, Inc. that a coordinating committee of City department heads be established in connection with the West End Redevelopment Project along similar lines to the Prudential Committee which was organized by Mayor Hynes to expedite the development. After a discussion, it was the judgment of the Authority that this idea had great merit; however, it is not within the jurisdiction of the Authority and Mr. Rappaport should make his request to Mayor Hyies.

On the recommendation of the Executive Director and upon motion duly made and seconded, the Authority made the following determinations with respect to the appraisers named below:

- (1) The selected appraiser possesses qualifications justifying an expectation that he will furnish appraisal reports on which the Local Public Agency and HHFA can act with confidence and that he will be able to support his conclusions capably in the event of investigation or court proceedings.
- (2) The appraiser does not have any interest, present or prospective, that could impair his ability to furnish impartial reports or raise questions as to his impartiality or fairness.
- (3) The compensation to be paid is fair and proper under all the circumstances and is at rates that do not exceed what typically would be paid in the locality for equivalent services, based on the compensation that has been and is being paid by others for similar services.
- (4) The contract with the selected appraiser will best serve the interest of the project, with due regard for, but not primary consideration of, the objective of holding the expense to a minimum.

and further, that the Chairman be authorized to execute contracts with said appraisers.

Peter Allen	William M. Jacobs
Earle Barnard	George W. Judkins
John B. Byrne	John C. Kiley, Jr.
Daniel M. Driscoll	Frank McFarland
Robert T. Fowler	Joseph Moran
John Finnegan	Aurelio Picardi

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve an extension of time to June 20, 1958 on the option to purchase Parcels 6, 7 and 8 under Section 7 of the contract with Cerel Druker

Redevelopment Corporation in connection with the New York Streets Project and that the Chairman be authorized to execute the instrument effecting the extension.

The subject of public liability insurance for the West End Project was presented by the Executive Director. After a discussion, the Executive Director was authorized to obtain bids from the leading insurance companies.

Mr. Massucco entered the meeting at this point.

A letter from Charles J. Horan, Regional Director, URA, dated March 13, 1958, in connection with the Mattapan Project, was read and discussed. It was decided that the leading redevelopers in this area would be contacted to discuss the possibilities of the sale of the Mattapan Project land in its present condition prior to the installation of site improvements.

A letter from Jerome L. Rappaport, Counsel for Charles River Park, Inc., concerning proposed revision of the West End Redevelopment Plan, was read and discussed by the Authority. With respect to the question of eliminating the White Fund Health Unit on Blossom Street, it was decided that Doctor Cauley and Doctor Wilinsky would be invited to meet with the Authority and discuss their views concerning the need for the Health Unit. The Executive Director was instructed to set up the meeting for 11:00 a. m, on April 2d, 1958.

The Executive Director was instructed to contact the firm of Adams, Howard & Greeley for the purpose of engaging their services to review, analyze, and make recommendations on the proposed changes in the West End Plan.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that for the week of March 31st, 1958, in addition to the regular weekly meeting, there would be another regular meeting held on Thursday, April 3d, at 5:30 p.m., Parker House, Boston.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.


