

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

HELD ON AUGUST 12, 1959

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 August 12, 1959. 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 Msgr. F. J. Lally James G. Colbert Melvin J. Massucco Stephen E. McCloskey	None

A copy of the NOTICE OF MEETING, pursuant to Section 23A of Chapter 39 of the General Laws, with the CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF MEETING attached thereto, was read and ordered spread upon the minutes of this meeting and filed for record.

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 23A of Chapter 39 of the General Laws that a meeting of the Boston Redevelopment Authority will be held at ten o'clock a.m. on August 12, 1959 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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July 31, 1959 _____ Title: _____ Secretary _____

CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF MEETING
(Sec. 23A, Chapter 39, General Laws)

I, Kane Simonian, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Secretary of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, do hereby certify that on July 31, 1959 I filed, in the manner provided by Sec. 23A, Chapter 39, General Laws, with the City Clerk of the City of Boston, Massachusetts, a NOTICE OF MEETING of which the foregoing is a true and correct copy.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Authority this 12th day of August, 1959.

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Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of July 29th were read by the Secretary and approved as read.

The Executive Director reported to the Authority that he had received a letter from the First National Bank requesting more detailed information on Charles River Park Inc. in order for the Bank to make a credit report on that firm. The Executive Director was instructed to contact Charles River Park Inc. and arrange for the information to be made available.

The Executive Director reported on the problem of constructing new sidewalks on Albany Street in the New York Streets area adjacent to the new Herald Traveler Building. This matter involves the approval of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Works, which, by law, has taken charge of that street.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize Mr. Massucco to contact the State Department of Public Works and make the necessary arrangements.

The Executive Director presented a requisition for Capital Grant Progress Payment, UR Mass. 2-3 in the amount of \$1,016,068.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Executive Director to transmit Requisition No. 3, Capital Grant Progress Payment, UR Mass. 2-3, in the amount of \$1,016,068.

The Executive Director stated that in connection with the Government Center Project boundary descriptions, it would be necessary to have title searches made on some 25 to 30 parcels. None of these parcels is to be taken by eminent domain. They are either excluded parcels which are within the project boundaries or they are located on the periphery of the project area. However, in order to make a legal description of the project boundary, the actual boundary description of these parcels will be necessary.

The Executive Director was instructed to make a recommendation at the next meeting on arrangements to obtain the necessary information.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Treasurer be authorized to request the \$54,125 as appropriated from the City Collector-Treasurer.

The matter of a community organizer for the Roxbury Renewal Project was discussed. The Executive Director was instructed to contact the UCS and request an official representative of that body to meet with the Authority on August 26, 1959 to discuss the possibility of arranging for a Community Organization service by contract.

The Executive Director presented a report from the Site Office concerning a hardship case for a site tenant in the West End - John Matthis, 158 Chambers Street.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED; to waive the rent arrearage in the amount of \$242.00 and to authorize relocation payment, to be effective when the above-named tenant moves from the area.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that Mr. Franklin Floete, Administrator of the General Services Administration, would be in Boston on Wednesday, August 19th to confer with Mayor Hynes. The Members of the Authority have been requested to be present.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter addressed to the Chairman from Leatherbee & Company of Brookline, Realtors, acting as agents for developers who are interested in redeveloping parcels 2 and 3 of the Whitney Street Project. The Chairman stated that he knows the principals of this firm and spoke very favorably about them. It was agreed that the Chairman would answer the letter and state that the Authority would be pleased to meet with this group some time in September.

The Executive Director reported that he had attended a meeting with the Commissioner of the Urban Renewal Administration, David Walker, to discuss expediting the approval of the Revised West End Plan and the coordination with the FHA. The arrangements for the appointment were made by the Chairman. Commissioner Walker stated that he would set up a meeting in Boston within the next ten days with the FHA, the Authority, the Mayor, and the Regional URA Director to expedite the West End Project.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the Executive Director's visit and to authorize travel expenses therefor.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that there would not be any meeting on Wednesday, August 19th> and that the next regular weekly meeting would be held on Thursday, August 20th, at 10:00 a.m.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kaveh J. ...", is written above a horizontal line. Below the line, the word "Secretary" is printed in a serif font.

Secretary