

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD ON DEC. 9, 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 December 9, 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	Monsignor Lally
James G. Colbert	
Melvin J. Massucco	
Stephen E. McCloskey	

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 December 9, 1959** ^{7S} Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By

Kane Simonian

December 4, 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 December 4, 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 9th day of December, 1959.

Kane Simonian
Secretary

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The minutes of the meeting of December 2d were read by the Secretary.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

The Executive Director notified the Authority that the Retina Foundation has requested permission to enter Parcel J in the West End for the purpose of taking borings of the subsoil conditions. A license authorizing the entry on the land was prepared by the Legal Department and presented at the meeting.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the borings to be made and to approve the license for execution.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that the requisition for the Whitney Street six-month budget had been transmitted to the City Treasurer and that the litigation over the project had temporarily delayed the receipt of the funds; and further, that the Executive Director and General Counsel, together with the Coordinator, Mr. McCusker, were working with the City Auditor, City Treasurer and Law Department to find a way to release the funds.

The Executive Director recommended that authorization be granted to rent a site office and assign the personnel when the funds are received for the Whitney Project.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: after receipt of funds requisitioned from the City of Boston for the Whitney Project, the Executive Director be authorized to rent a suitable site office in preparation for the eminent domain taking, and further that the Executive Director be authorized to staff the site office with personnel by transferring permanent employees of the Authority and by the addition of new employees whose employment is hereby authorized for the duration of the project in accordance with the Table of Organization for the project.

The Executive Director also reported to the Authority that a 1958 amendment to Chapter 121 authorizes the City of Boston to appropriate money for the

preparation of eminent domain takings and other activities in connection with the proposed or an approved project and that under this legislation it may be possible for the city to advance the Whitney Street funds even before litigation is cleared up, provided there are not any other laws or statutes in conflict.

The Executive Director and General Counsel were authorized to look into this matter further with city officials.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Authority request these loan funds under the above amendment from the City Council if legally permissible.

The Chairman reported to the Authority on the results of his conference on December 8th with Mr. Floete, Administrator of the General Services Administration, at which meeting Mr. Robert Morgan, Chairman of the Government Center Commission, was present.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter dated December 2, 1959 from the Thomas O'Connor Company, redevelopers for Parcel 2 of the Whitney Street Project, which letter stipulated that the Thomas O'Connor Company is in agreement with the lease terms which have been previously executed with Beacon Redevelopment Corporation,

The Executive Director notified the Authority that Advance Planning Associates had submitted the preliminary draft of the Redevelopment Plan for the extension of the New York Streets Project area and that under the terms of the contract were eligible for a payment of \$4000.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the payment of \$4000 to Advance Planning Associates for services performed in accordance with their contract.

The Executive Director distributed a copy of a letter from the Archdiocese concerning the extension of the New York Streets Project.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter from the City Planning Board concerning a joint meeting to discuss the re-use of the New York Streets Extension Project.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to notify the Planning Board that the Authority would be agreeable to meeting with the Members of the Planning Board on Wednesday, December 16th, at 11:00 a.m.

Site Office reports were distributed.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the salary of the Executive Director be increased \$1500 per annum, effective December 9, 1959* in order to bring his salary in line with the salaries paid to other administrative officials in comparable positions with other authorities and agencies.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to instruct the Executive Director to review the salary schedule of the personnel for the Authority and bring in recommendations to the next meeting for any salary adjustments recommended for other personnel.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that the URA had requested that the Authority obtain private financing in the amount of \$8,000,000 in order to repay the \$5,000,000 direct government loan and to obtain funds to finance the Authority's activities for the next six months.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be authorized to proceed with the necessary arrangements as required by URA.

The General Counsel presented to the Authority copy of an Agreement to Lease with Charles River Park, Inc. , containing all the changes requested by the Authority and all the revisions which have been agreed to as a result of the Authority's discussions and reviews. After a discussion of several of the provisions in the Lease, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Authority approve the Agreement to Lease presented to this meeting and that the Chairman be authorized to execute the Agreement to Lease.

(The foregoing Agreement to Lease is filed in the Document Book of the Authority as Document No. 84.)

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

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Secretary