

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
HELD ON FEB. 10, 1960

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 11:15 a.m. on February 10, 1960. 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	Stephen E. McCloskey
James G. Colbert	Msgr. Francis J. Lally
Melvin J. Massucco	

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 Feb. 10, 1960 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By Kane Simonian

February 5, 1960 \_

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 Feb. 5, 1960 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 10th day of February, 1960.

Kane Simonian  
Secretary

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On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that in the absence of the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Thomas P. McCusker act as Secretary pro tern.

The minutes of the meeting of February 3, 1960 were read by the Secretary pro tern.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

A letter dated January 29j 1960 from Minot, DeBlois & Maddison concerning air conditioning for the suite occupied by the Authority was read. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to table the letter for future consideration.

A letter dated February 10, 1960 from Franklin Floete, Administrator of the General Services Administration, regarding the agreement executed between the Boston Redevelopment Authority and the GSA relating to the exchange of the Copley Square site for a site on Washington Street was read.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Chairman to answer the letter, advising the Administrator that due to circumstances which have developed, the Authority wishes to withdraw from the Agreement, but desires to keep alive the proposal for exchanging the Copley Square land as part payment for the final site for the Federal Building which is agreed on by the GSA and the Authority.

The matter of an amendment to the New York Streets Project was discussed. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to defer action until the preliminary plan is prepared by Mr. Lloyd Sinclair.

A letter from Miss Jane Dale, Director of the Elizabeth Peabody House was read. A recommendation was made that the Chairman acknowledge the letter and thank Miss Dale for her complimentary remarks concerning the Authority staff, with the suggestion that Peabody House send a similar letter to the Boston newspapers for publicity purposes.

The matter of West End taxes for 1959\* a credit in the amount of \$558,000 approximately, was discussed. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to postpone action on this matter.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to invite Mr. Bertram Druker to attend the meeting of the Authority to be held on February 17th to discuss the N. Y. Streets Extension.

The request of the South End Hardware and Walton's Lunch to remain in the proposed New York Streets Extension project, with the premise that they would rebuild and enlarge upon their present buildings, was discussed.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to table the matter for the time being.

The necessity of employing an engineer to make a report on the reproduction cost of the Retina property on Chambers Street was discussed.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Executive Director to make a recommendation for an engineer for this purpose at the next meeting.

Site Office reports were read. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to waive rent arrearage and authorize relocation payment in the case of Mrs. Ida DiFronzo, 6 Chambers Court.

A letter dated February 9, 1960 from Herbert E. Tucker Jr., President of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, regarding renewal plans for Boston was read. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Executive Director to confer with Mr. Tucker and his Committee and report to the Authority.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

  
Secretary pro tem