

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

HELD ON MAY 24, 1961

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 May 24, 1961. 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>
Msgr. F. J. Lally	None
Stephen E. McCloakey	
James G. Colbert	
Melvin J. Massucco	
Joseph W. Lund	

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 May 24, 1961 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By Kane Simonian

May 18, 1961

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 May 18, 1961 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 24th day of May 1961.

Kane Simonian
Secretary

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Messrs. Logue and Conley were present at the meeting.

On motion by Mr. Colbert, seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the following Resolution:

"Resolved: that the Members of the Boston Redevelopment Authority respectfully request His Excellency, Governor John A. Volpe, to resubmit to the Legislature Senate Bill 263.

"The Members of the Redevelopment Authority believe that the enactment of this Bill into law is essential to the successful development of Boston's Government Centre.

" The Members of the Redevelopment Authority express to His Excellency, the Governor, the strong belief that it would be in the public interest to have this bill enacted during the present session of the Legislature.

"Failure of the Legislature to approve Senate Bill 263 during the current year could, in the opinion of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, seriously jeopardize and slow down progress on the Government Center at a most critical time.

"Be it further ordered that a copy of this Resolution be delivered by hand immediately to His Excellency, the Governor. "

The minutes of the meeting of May 17, 1961 were read by the Secretary.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter and a bill for services rendered by Badger, Parrish, Sullivan and Frederick in the amount of \$5250.00.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to instruct the General Counsel to contact the above firm and Obtain an itemized statement showing number of hours spent and fee per hour.

The Executive Director presented a letter from Charles River Park, Inc. , requesting that the accrued interest on the \$100,000 security deposit for the West End project be released to Charles River Park, Inc. in accordance with Section 302 of the Lease Agreement.

The Executive Director assured the Authority that after the release of the accrued interest, there would still be in excess of \$100,000 on deposit for security.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the escrow agent, First National Bank of Boston, to disburse the accrued interest on the security deposit amounting to \$1345.49.

A memo from the Real Estate Officer was distributed concerning Parcel 8D-3 and 8D-12, Whitney project area, recommending an increase in the maximum acquisition price, which recommendation was concurred in by the General Counsel. After a discussion and on the recommendation of Mr. Lund, on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the maximum acquisition prices as follows:

8D-3	\$45,000
8D-12	23,000

The Executive Director informed the Authority that there was to be a public hearing in the Gardner Auditorium on Friday, May 26th at ten a.m. called by the Public Health Commissioner, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, concerning proposed regulations for outdoor burning. The issuance of these regulations by the Public Health Commissioner would increase the demolition cost for future projects.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to instruct the General Counsel to attend the hearing and record the fact that the proposed regulations would increase the cost of carrying out redevelopment projects.

Site Office reports were distributed.

On the grounds of hardship, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to waive use and occupancy charges for Theodore Baldwin in the amount of \$240.00 and authorize relocation payment.

A letter from Mr. Fred Hertan representing Mattapan redevelopers was distributed, notifying the Authority that the fiscal cost estimates for submittal to the FHA were being prepared by the redevelopers.

Letters to the Authority from Miss Gladys Shapiro and Leo DiBella were distributed concerning the need for parking in the West End by residents of Beacon Hill. The Executive Director was instructed to acknowledge the letters and advise the writers that the Authority has acted on this matter.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize payment to Alice Popovich in the amount of \$ 580-00 for stenographic services performed at the Government Center public hearing.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize payment of \$4000 to Alfred H. Dolben for a re-use appraisal, Federal Building site, subject to the approval of the Regional Office with respect to the form of the contract which had been previously executed.

Mr. Logue recommended that the Authority retain Mr. Elmer C. Houdlette as a consultant at \$50 per diem, the total amount not to exceed \$3000, in connection with the aerial photography and new base maps for the City of Boston.

On motion by Mr. Massucco, seconded by Mr. Lund, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve a third party contract with Mr. Elmer C. Houdlette at \$50 per diem, in an amount not to exceed \$3000 for consultant services in connection with aerial photography and the photogrammetric mapping for the new base maps for the City of Boston, subject to the approval of the URA as to the contract and apportionment of part of the cost as project expenditures.

On the recommendation of the Development Administrator and on motion by Mr. Massucco, seconded by Mr. Lund, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize payment in the amount of \$5753.11 to the firm of Foley, Hoag and Eliot for services performed by Mr. Lewis Weinstein et al in connection with the General Neighborhood Renewal Plans.

The Development Administrator reported to the Authority on the present status of the amendment to the Prudential Application and stated that he expected the amended Application to be submitted to the Authority by June 7, 1961.

The Development Administrator reported on the progress of the proposed North Harvard project.

At this point in the meeting Mr. Peter Riemer, applicant for the position of Government Center project director, entered the meeting and was interviewed by the Authority.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:33 p.m.


Secretary