

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

HELD ON JULY 20, 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 10:00 a.m. on July 20, 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 Msgr. Francis 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 July 20, 1960 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By Kane Simonian

July 14, 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 July 14, 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 20th day of July, 1960.

Kane Simonian  
Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of July- 6, 1960 were read by the Secretary. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

The minutes of the Special Meeting of July 14, 1960 were read by the Secretary. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

The Executive Director recommended that Mr. Robert Curtis, Administrative Assistant, be assigned to the Whitney Redevelopment Project Site Office as Assistant to the Project Manager.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to effect this transfer, effective date to be determined by the Executive Director.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Chairman submit to His Honor, Mayor Collins, a report on the proposed Brighton middle-income housing project, with a request for the Mayor's comment on the project.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Chairman write to His Honor, Mayor Collins, advising him that the Authority is eager to proceed with the proposed Castle Square Project without further delay and further to urge His Honor to expedite the transmittal of the required statement by His Honor reserving Capital Grant funds for the project.

The Executive Director presented the problem of site improvements in connection with the "Whitney Street project. In the case of this project, the engineering for the site improvements are needed ahead of schedule in order to provide street elevations which are required by the Beacon Redevelopment Corporation prior to the preparation of the architectural plans.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Executive Director to negotiate with the Public Works Commissioner and arrange for the engineering services to be performed, provided that the Public Works Commissioner could assure the Authority that the engineering services would be expeditiously performed; otherwise the Executive Director is authorized to retain a private engineering firm.

The Executive Director informed the Authority of the need for retaining appraisers for the Whitney Project as early as possible. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director, in consultation with the Land Acquisition Consultant, be authorized to engage appraisers for the Whitney Project, subject to the concurrence of the Chairman.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a proposal for the public liability insurance for the Whitney Project from the Employers<sup>1</sup> Group.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director instruct the broker to obtain a proposal from the Travelers Insurance or some other insurance company if obtainable.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Chairman or the Executive Director be and hereby is authorized to requisition from the Collector-Treasurer, City of Boston, such sums as are needed from time to time for the settlement and payment of land damages in connection with the Whitney Redevelopment Project, pursuant to the Agreement wherein funds were deposited on July 14, 1960 with the City of Boston as security for land damages in connection with said project.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that an engineering disposition map showing the three disposition parcels would be necessary for the Whitney Project in connection with the delivery of land.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be authorized to retain Henry F. Bryant & Son to provide the disposition plans.

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

VOTED: that the following site tenants be evicted because of lack of cooperation with the Authority and refusal to pay rent: Sophie Mazur, Harry Katz, Walter Szlocek, St. Johnfe Mission (Rev. Alexander Haluschynsky), Chester Belinski.

On the recommendation of the Site Office because of hardship involved, on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize relocation payment and waive rent arrearage in the following amounts for the following site tenants: James Seluta, \$200; Rubin Herman, \$202. 50; Loretta Simmons, \$1, 035. 00; Mati Kosta, \$175. 00; Anthony McLaughlin, \$259. 00; Frederick Weinstein, \$425.00.

In connection with a fire at 23 Allen Street and the subsequent expenses entailed in relocating residents at this address, on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to waive rent arrearage for Joseph Corey in the amount of \$30. 00 and authorize payment of moving and other expenses in the amount of \$182. 11; to waive rent arrearage in the amount of \$269. 00 for Robert Wilburn and authorize payment of moving and other expenses in the amount of \$235. 50.

The Executive Director presented a request for Progress Payment No. 10 to the Duane Company, which had been approved by the Chief of Development. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize Progress Payment No. 10 to the Duane Company in the amount of \$81,156. 40.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter from the URA concerning the approval of Washington Park Planning Advance.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED; to authorize the execution, of the contract with the City Planning Board, subject to the approval of the Corporation Counsel and the Authority's Counsel, to provide the technical planning services needed in connection with the planning for the "Washington Park Project.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter from the Jewish Family Welfare Society requesting an extension of time for relocation of their building in the West End Project, and further requesting that the structure be deleted from the demolition contract because of the fact that the Jewish Family Welfare Society is interested in purchasing land in the proposed Government Center Project area for the erection of a new building.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to instruct the Executive Director to acknowledge the letter and to notify the Jewish Family Welfare group that the Authority would

entertain their proposal subject to the condition that any additional demolition expense because of deletion from the contract be absorbed by them and further, that the extension of time be subject to cancellation on thirty days<sup>1</sup> notice in the event that the Authority is required to deliver the parcel of land upon which their building is located to Charles River Park, Inc. pursuant to the Agreement to Lease with Charles River Park, Inc.

X\* The Executive Director was instructed to also contact the Retina Foundation notifying them of the Authority's position with respect to the deletion of the Retina structure on Chambers Street and any possible extensions of time.

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On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Chairman to execute an Agreement for the investment of excess funds on deposit with the Rockland Atlas National Bank for the Whitney Project.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the Chairman to execute an extension of time agreement to November 1, 1960 for the Beacon Redevelopment Corporation.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Kareh J. Amarian  
Secretary