MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Absent

None

HELD ON JUNE 11, 1958

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 June 11, 1958. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, and upon roll call those present and absent were as follows:

Present

Joseph W. Lund Very Rev. Msgr. F. J. Lally Melvin J. Massucco James G. Colbert

Stephen E. McCloskey

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 4, 1958 were read by the Secretary. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to revise that section of the minutes with respect to the June 3, 1958 letter from HHFA to include the following:

"The Executive Director stated to the Authority that under existing regulations as contained in the XJRA Manual of Policies and Procedures, this letter from the Field Engineer, Mr. Dexter B. Hill, constitutes authorization to print specifications and advertise for bidders^ provided that the conditions contained in said letter are complied with.. In the event the Authority disagrees with the recommendations contained in said letter, the Authority is then required to refer any areas of disagreement for review by the New York Regional Office. The Executive Director explained that in his experience with the agency, this would mean considerable delay, with the very remote possibility that the Regional Office would overrule the recommendation of the Field Engineer.

"This matter was tabled until the next meeting for action when a full board is present. $^{\rm lf}$

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the minutes as revised.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the regular weekly meeting scheduled for Wednesday,

June 18th be cancelled and the regular weekly meeting be held on Monday,

June 16th at 10:00 a.m. instead.

The Executive Director read a letter dated June 6, 1958 from Charles J. Horan, Regional Director, URA, prohibiting the disclosure of appraisal information to the owners of property, as requested by City Council Order dated May 12, 1958.

Pursuant to the vote of the Authority on June 4, 1958, the Executive Director instructed the Chief of Development, Mr. Wallace Orpin, to prepare a standard specification for one year's exterminating service in the project area and to solicit proposals under these conditions from three firms previously recommended.

The Executive Director read off proposals which were solicited from three acceptable exterminating firms in connection with the West End Demolition Contract, as follows: H. D. Lockhart,, \$8322; Thomas A. Sheehan, \$8760; Safety Fumigant Company, \$9460. 80.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that H. D. Lockhart's proposal be accepted and that the figure of \$8322 be included in the demolition specification and that H. D. Lockhart be designated as the exterminating firm under the demolition contract.

The Executive Director read off a City Council Order of June 2, 1958, concerning the distribution and dissemination of information to the West End residents concerning the procedures for settlement of land damage cases and for relocation payments.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director prepare the necessary material to carry out the Council Order.

The Executive Director trought up the matter of the selection and appointment of option negotiators for the West End parcels.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director and General Counsel screen, select and submit to the next meeting a list of recommended option negotiators.

The following bills were approved for payment:

Henry F. Bryant & Son, Inc., for West End boundary sasrveys, etc., \$23,860

Charles J. Artesani, title searches

6,790.50

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the General Counsel, John C. Conley, and the Chief of Development, Wallace Orpin, be authorized to travel to the Regional Office in New York in connection with official business.

The matter of advertising for demolition of the West End in one contract or in sections was discussed. The letter of June 3, 1958 from Dexter B, Hill, F^eld Engineer, was discussed by the Authority, and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the matter be appealed to the Regional Office for the purpose of a decision from that Office as to whether the demolition contract could be advertised as one contract as well as in four sections simultaneously) and that the General Counsel and the Chief of Development be instructed to go to the Regional Office and discuss the matter of overruling the recommendation of the Field Engineer.

A letter of June 6, 1958 from Victor Gruen Associates re the West End planning and surveying proposal was read by the Executive Dire ctor. Said letter contained the necessary statements as to disclosure of activity and certification that Victor Gruen Associates does not have any financial interest in the Charles River Park, Inc. The General Counsel was instructed to discuss the matter with the regional officials in the attempt to expedite a statement in writing from that

At this point in the meeting Messrs. Morgan, Furlong and Weiss entered the meeting to discuss the proposal of the Charlesbaaik Homes for the redevelopment of a section of the Mission Hill area.

After the matter was discussed and the representatives of the Charlesbank

Homes left the meeting, the proposal of Charlesbank Homes was further discussed

by the Members and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director be authorized to engage a planner-consultant to prepare the necessary surveys and plans in order to carry out a redevelopment project in the general area of Huhtington Avenue, Longwood Avenue, St. Alphonsus Street and Tremont Street.

The Executive Director presented a Form of Agreement entitled Purchase and Sale Agreement between Boston Redevelopment Authority and Marie A. St. Onge.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the form of agreement just presented to this meeting be, and it hereby is, approved, and that the Chairman, Joseph W. Lund be and he hereby is, authorized and directed to enter into and execute said agreement with Marie A. St. Onge and that the Secretary be, and he hereby is authorized to affix thereto and attest the seal of the Boston Redevelopment Authority conveying Parcel No. 8 as shown in said New York Streets Project Area, UR Mass. 2-1, as shown on a plan entitled "Urban Renewal Division, Boston Housing Authority, New York Streets Project UR Mass. 2-1, Land Disposition Plan" by Hayden, Harding & Buchanan, Inc., Consulting Engineers, Boston 35, Massachusetts, dated March 6, 1957, revisions June 26, 1957". (filed as Document No. 35 in the Document Book.)

The Executive Director presented a Form of Deed for conveyance of Parcel No. 8 from the Boston Redevelopment Authority to Marie A. St. Onge.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the form of deed just presented to this meeting be and it hereby is approved, and that the Chairman, Joseph W. Lund, be and he hereby is authorized and directed to enter into and execute said deed with Marie A. St. Onge and that the Secretary be, and he hereby is, authorized to affix thereto and attest the seal of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, conveying Parcel No. 8 as shown in said New York Streets Project Area, UR Mass. 2-1 as shown on a plan entitled "Urban Renewal Division, Boston Housing Authority, New York Streets Project UR Mass. 2-1, Land Disposition Plan" by Hayden, Harding &

Buchanan Inc., Constilting Engineers, Boston 35, Massachusetts, dated March 6, 1957, revisions June 26, 1957. (filed as Document No. 36 in the Document Book)

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

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