

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

HELD ON FEB. 22, 1961

The Members of the Boston Redevelopment Authority met in annual session at the offices of the Authority, Room 350, 73 Tremont Street, Boston, Massachusetts, at 10:30 a.m. on February 22, 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>
Joseph W. Lund Msgr. F.J. Lally James G. Colbert Stephen E. McCloskey	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 the Annual Meeting of the Boston Redevelopment Authority will be held at 9:30 a.m. on February 22, 1961 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston,

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By: Kane Simonian

Title: - Secretary _____

February 16, 1961

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 February 16, 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 22d day of February, 1961.

Kane Simonian
Secretary

On motion made by Monsignor Lally and seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was unanimously

VOTED: to postpone the election of officers until the next regular weekly meeting on March 1, 1961.

The minutes of the meeting of February 15, 1961 were read by the Secretary.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to revise the minutes by striking out lines 24, 25 and 26 concerning insurance coverage and inserting in place thereof the following:

"The Executive Director was instructed to review the insurance coverage for the Authority and to recommend additional coverage as needed for the expanded program and to prepare a chart showing the cost of short rate cancellation for the insurance coverage now in existence. "

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as revised.

On motion made by Mr. Colbert and seconded by Mr. McGloskey, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the General Counsel or someone designated by the Development Administrator be instructed to confer with counsel for the Prudential Insurance Company of America and ascertain whether they are willing that the Boston Redevelopment Authority act on Wednesday, March 1, to set a date for a public hearing on the Prudential application if prior to March 1 Mayor Donald L. Gibbs of Newton has withdrawn his objection to the extension of the Massachusetts Toll Road. The General Counsel is instructed to report the attitude of Prudential counsel to the Redevelopment Authority Members at their meeting on March 1.

A letter from the Building Commissioner concerning the Prudential Application, together with a memo from Wallace Orpin re the same, was distributed.

On motion made by Mr. Colbert and seconded by Monsignor Lally, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Development Administrator be instructed to review the objections raised by the Building Commissioner to certain phases of the building plans for the Prudential Center and to submit a written report to the

Redevelopment Authority containing his recommendations as to the actions the Redevelopment Authority should take on the objections of Building Commissioner York.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the final bill and authorize payment in the amount of \$2974 to DeLeuw, Gather & Company under the contract for engineering services for the Government Center Project.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve payment to James E. Landauer Associates in the amount of \$750 for consultant services in connection with the Prudential Application.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to revise the Authority's vote of October 19, 1960 by substituting Frank H. Whelan, Inc. in place of Frank H. Whelan, in connection with the engineering services for the Government Center appraisals.

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

VOTED: that the order passed by the City Council on February 13, 1961, and directed to the Redevelopment Authority, be referred to the Development Administrator.

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

VOTED: to waive rent arrearage in the amount of \$395. 67 in the case of Account No. 3155, Edward Leonard, formerly of 345 Charles Street, West End.

A letter from Charles River Park, Inc. dated February 15, 1961 was distributed concerning a request to substitute municipal City of Boston bonds in the face amount of \$7000 for Bank Book Account No. 21184 in the Brookline Federal Savings and Loan Association.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to refer the matter to the General Counsel for an opinion.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to request representatives of Charles River Park, Inc. to be available for questioning by the Authority on March 1, 1961 at 11:00 a.m.

in connection with their request for an extension of delivery of Parcel 1-B; further, that the Executive Director be instructed to write to Charles River Park, Inc. requesting that an answer in writing be given prior to March 1 on the following questions: (1) in the light of existing FHA insurance policies for 220 projects, what is Charles River Park, Inc. 's best estimate today of the starting and completion dates for each section of the project, independent of the provisions of the Lease Agreement? (2) Charles River Park, Inc. 's estimate of what changes in FHA policies would permit that timetable to be accelerated? (3) with respect to the commercial area, what is the proposed size of the supermarket and what kind of other stores are there in the commercial parcel? When does Charles River Park, Inc. anticipate they can get started on this and what they estimate the mortgage arrangements will be.

The Executive Director informed the Authority that he had been notified by the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County that the estimated cost of printing the record for the Full Bench in the case of Simonian vs. Boston Redevelopment Authority is \$429. 50.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Treasurer be authorized and directed to pay forthwith the sum of \$429- 50 to Chester A. Dolan, Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court for Suffolk County.

Mr. Colbert stated that he thought the Authority should go on record as commending Mr. McCloskey for his outstanding work in achieving progress in the Toll Road matter.

On motion by Monsignor Lally and seconded by Mr. Colbert, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Authority go on record as commending Mr. McCloskey for his outstanding work in achieving progress in the Toll Road matter.

On motion by Monsignor Lally and seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Development Administrator be authorized to employ temporary personnel for the purpose of taking traffic counts, Government Center-Downtown North GNRP, provided that the total cost of this operation will not exceed \$500.

The Development Administrator, Mr. Logue, recommended that an Architectural Advisory Committee to the Boston Redevelopment Authority be created.

On motion by Monsignor Lally and seconded by Mr. McCloskey, it was unanimously

VOTED: that an Architectural Advisory Committee to the Boston Redevelopment Authority be and hereby is created; and that the following persons be and hereby are named members:

Nelson W. Aldrich, Partner, Campbell and Aldrich;
Pietro Belluschi, Dean, School of Planning, M. I. T.;
Jose Luis Sert, Dean, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University;
Harry R. Shepley, Partner, Shepley, Bulfinch, Richardson & Abbott;
Hugh Stubbins, Jr., Principal, Hugh A. Stubbins & Associates;

and that the following person be and hereby is named alternate member:

Lawrence Anderson, Partner, Anderson, Beckwith & Haible;
that membership on this committee will not interfere with the member's normal regular opportunities for obtaining architectural work within the City of Boston and that no member will advise on any matter in which he has a personal interest.

The Authority entered Executive Session at 12:30 p.m.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Boston Redevelopment Authority hereby authorizes the reimbursement of travel expenses of \$57.50 for an employment interview of Robert Coughlin of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, an applicant for a professional and supervisory position.

In authorizing this expenditure, the Authority finds (1) that it is necessary to reimburse such expenditures on the part of such applicants to properly carry out the adopted recruiting policy of the Authority; and as more specifically determined by vote of the Authority on February 1, 1961; (2) that the position concerned is one which is required to be filled at the earliest possible time and is a position for which a shortage of qualified personnel exists in the locality; and (3) that the expenditure of \$57.50 hereby authorized is reasonable and necessary in the particular case of this applicant.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:48 p. m.


Secretary