

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
HELD ON MAY 20, 1959

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 20, 1959\* The meeting was called to order by the Vice Chairman, and upon roll call those present and absent were as follows:

| <u>Present</u>       | <u>Absent</u>  |
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| Msgr. F. J. Lally    | Joseph W. Lund |
| James G. Colbert     |                |
| Melvin J. Massucco   |                |
| Stephen E. McCloskey |                |

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 20, 1959 at 73 Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By *J. W. Lund*

           May 15, 1959                            Title                    Secretary                           

CERTIFICATE AS TO SERVICE OF NOTICE OF MEETING

I, Kane Simonian, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Secretary of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, do hereby certify that on May 15, 1959, 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 15th day of May, 1959.

*Kane Simonian*  
Secretary

The minutes of the meeting of May 13, 1959 were read by the Secretary.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

Mr. Charles Mahoney, Chairman of the Committee on Administration and Finance, Mr. Donald Graham, Administrator, and Mr. Seward Weber of the Planning Board entered the meeting to discuss the Government Center Project and the alternate locations for the Division of Employment Security Building within the proposed Center.

The Executive Director distributed a proposal from Carleton Hunneman & Company with respect to a survey of the tenants in the Government Center area and the management of acquired property when the Project is undertaken.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to table the proposal until the next meeting.

The Executive Director presented a request from Gus<sup>1</sup> Parking Lot on Cambridge Street for a reduction in rent due to loss of business. After a discussion and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that rent for this property be reduced by \$50 a month, effective June 1, 1959, provided that there is no arrearage at the time of the reduction.

The Executive Director was instructed to set up a meeting with Perini Corporation on Friday, June 19th, at 10:30 a. m.

The Executive Director read a City Council Order by Councillor Piemonte concerning a public hearing and renewal project for the Wales, Nightingale and Erie section of Dorchester. After a discussion, the Executive Director was instructed to write to Councillor Piemonte, advising him that the matter was presently under consideration.

Mr. Colbert brought up the matter of commencing negotiations with Administrator Floete of the General Services Administration for the sale of the site for the new Federal Building and executing an Agreement for Sale with Administrator Floete.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that negotiations be commenced for the sale of land to the GSA and that an Agreement for Sale be executed.

The Vice Chairman was authorized to write to the Administrator, notifying him of the vote taken and that the Authority is prepared to proceed as promptly as possible to execute an Agreement for Sale.

Relocation and Demolition Reports were distributed.

The Executive Director distributed a letter from Freedom House concerning the community organizer position for the Roxbury Renewal Project.

The Executive Director distributed a letter from James H. Dixon, Attorney At Law, concerning title work. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to place the letter on file.

The Executive Director read an Order from Councillor Foley concerning the Martin School site. After a discussion, the Executive Director was authorized to prepare a report on the Council Order for consideration by the Authority.

The Executive Director notified the Authority that the New York Regional Office had requested two resolutions in connection with the Application for Planning Advances for the Washington Park and Roxbury Renewal Projects. These resolutions are required by LPA Letters 157 and 163.

The Executive Director presented a resolution as follows:

"Resolution of the Boston Redevelopment Authority in Connection with Submittal to Housing & Home Finance Agency of an Application for a Planning Advance in Connection with the Washington Park Renewal Project:"

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority has submitted two Applications to the Housing & Home Finance Agency for Planning Advances, one of said applications being for a Roxbury Renewal Project and the other being for the Washington Park Renewal Project, and

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority is desirous of carrying out both of these projects as soon as possible, and

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority is aware of the present insufficiency of funds now available for the carrying out of the Roxbury Renewal Project but is desirous of carrying out and undertaking said project as soon as and when funds become available, and

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority is aware that funds for the carrying out of the Washington Park Project are now available,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Boston Redevelopment Authority that the submittal of the Application for Planning Advance for the Washington Park Renewal Project is being made to the Housing & Home Finance Agency after full consideration by the Authority of the ceiling on new capital grant authority available to the locality and the capital grant needs of any other projects being planned or carried out by this Authority.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the foregoing Resolution as read.

(The above Resolution is filed in the Document Book of the Authority as Document No. 60.)

The Executive Director presented a Resolution as follows:

"Resolution of the Boston Redevelopment Authority in Connection with Submittal to Housing & Home Finance Agency of an Application for a Planning Advance in Connection with the Roxbury Renewal area":

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority has submitted two Applications to the Housing & Home Finance Agency for Planning Advances, one of said Applications being for a Roxbury Renewal Project and the other being for the Washington Park Renewal Project, and

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority is desirous of carrying out both of these projects as soon as possible, and

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority is aware of the present insufficiency of funds now available for the carrying out of the Roxbury Renewal Project but is desirous of carrying out and undertaking said project as soon as and when funds become available, and

WHEREAS, the Boston Redevelopment Authority is aware that funds for the carrying out of the Washington Park Project are now available,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in view of the above limitations the Boston Redevelopment Authority desires to have the Application for Planning Advance in connection with the Roxbury Renewal Project held in a stand-by status by the HHFA until such time as further consideration is possible,

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adopt the foregoing Resolution as read.

(The above Resolution is filed in the Document Book of the Authority as Document No. 61.)

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

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Secretary