

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD ON FEB. 18, 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 Feb. 18, 1959. 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. I«und	Melvin J. Massucco (came
Very Rev. Msgr. F. J. T«ally	in later)
James G. Colbert	
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 Feb. 18, 1959 at ⁷³ Tremont Street in the City of Boston.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By Kane Simonian

February 13, 1959

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 Feb. 13, 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 13th day of February, 1959.

Kane Simonian
Secretary

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The minutes of the meeting of February 11, 1959 were read by the Secretary. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read*

Mr. Massucco entered the meeting at this point.

The Executive Director distributed a memo from Mr. William Johnson, the Assistant Executive Director, concerning the visit to the Site Office by New York and Washington URA officials for the purpose of reviewing management and relocation activities. The URA officials recommended that rent arrearage for hardship cases be waived by the Authority and that a uniform policy for downgrading use and occupancy charges for non-residential tenants be set up.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the Executive Director instruct the Site Office Manager, the Land Acquisition Consultant and the Assistant Director to prepare for consideration by the Authority a policy for downgrading rents of commercial tenants and to prepare complete reports of each individual case of hardship of residential tenants.

On the recommendation of the Executive Director and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that Michael McCusker be appointed as Auditing Clerk at \$4200 per annum, effective date to be determined by the Executive Director.

The Executive Director submitted a Site Office report concerning a site tenant with considerable arrearage in use and occupancy charges. After a discussion of the report and the facts of the case, and on the recommendation of the Executive Director, it was unanimously

VOTED: that Donald Farmer of 41 McLean Street, Boston, be evicted, and that the Executive Director be authorized to sign the eviction warrant.

The Executive Director presented the matter of a change order in connection with the John J. Duane Contract for demolition in the New York Streets Project which had been approved by the Authority, subject to the URA, on March 26, 1958 in the amount of \$4104. After a review of the proposed change order, the URA officials requested further documentation and a breakdown to substantiate the amounts involved.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to rescind the vote of March 26, 1958 approving the change order in the amount of \$4104.

The Executive Director presented Change Order 0-1 in the amount of \$4089. 89, providing for extras under the Duane Demolition Contract in the New York Streets Project. Change Order D-1 contains a breakdown by the contractor in support of the claim for extras because of a delay in releasing buildings on the part of the Authority, together with an analysis and breakdown of the extra costs incurred by W. B. Orpin, Chief of Development for the Authority. The claim for extras in the amount of \$4089.89 has been approved by the Chief of Development, Mr. Orpin.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that Change Order D-1 be approved, subject to URA concurrence, and that W. B. Orpin, Chief of Development, be authorized to process the Change Order.

The Executive Director submitted a report on a JiarxLahip case jco»- concerning Beatrice Grigas of 99 Green Street, a site tenant in the West End Project. The report showed that because of a fire and sickness, there was considerable rent arrearage. On the recommendation of the Site Office and on motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the rent arrearage for the above-mentioned tenant be waived and that relocation payment for moving be authorized for this tenant,

Mr, McCloskey left the meeting at this point.

Demolition and relocation reports for priority areas were distributed.

The Executive Director was instructed to obtain a detailed report on every tenant remaining in the priority areas, which report should contain the present status of each of the families and reasons why they have not been relocated.

Monsignor Lally left the meeting at this point.

The Executive Director reported on the results of the West End Project Coordinating Committee meeting on February 16, 1959.

The matter of a publication of a brochure was discussed and the Executive Director was instructed to gather further details on the scope of services to be performed and the cost of the services for consideration by the Authority at the next meeting.

The Chairman discussed legislation pending concerning the Government Center Project which is scheduled to be heard before the Legislative Committee on Cities on Wednesday, February 25th. It was agreed that the Authority should appear before the Committee to oppose House Bill 432.

In order for the Chairman to appear before the Committee, it was suggested that next Wednesday's meeting commence at 9:30 a.m. instead of 10:00 a.m.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: that the regular meeting of Wednesday, February 25, 1959 commence at 9:30 a. m. instead of 10:00 a.m. and that the Executive Director be instructed to notify in writing the Members of the Authority to that effect.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.


Secretary