

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
HELD ON DECEMBER 26, 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 December 26, 1958. 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	Stephen E. McCloskey
Very Rev. Msgr.	(came into meeting later)
F. J. Lally	Melvin J. Massucco
James G. Colbert	(came into meeting later)

The minutes of the meeting of December 17, 1958 were read by the Secretary. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes as read.

(At this point, Mr. McCloskey entered the meeting.)

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

VOTED: that Thomas P. O'Brien be reclassified from Administrative Assistant to Chief Accountant at a salary of \$7,000 per annum, effective December 24th.

The General Counsel read a letter from Bond Counsel, Storey, Thorn-dyke, Palmer & Dodge, with respect to public meetings required by Chapter 626 of the Acts of 1958. The General Counsel stated that in his opinion the statute was not applicable to redevelopment authorities even though Bond Couns-el gave an opinion to the contrary. The General Counsel further pointed out that inasmuch as the legal opinion and approval of Bond Counsel was necessary in connection with the sale of the West End Project Preliminary Loan Notes, it would be advisable to comply with the statute until such time as the issue is legally resolved.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

*VOTED: that the Executive Director be instructed to notify the City Clerk with respect to future meetings in compliance with Chapter 626.*

(Mr. Massucco entered the meeting at this point.)

The Executive Director presented the Land Assembly and Redevelopment Plan, Whitney Redevelopment Area, dated December, 1958. After a discussion of the Plan, Mr. Colbert presented a resolution entitled "Resolution of the Boston Redevelopment Authority Approving the Land Assembly and Redevelopment Plan for the Whitney Redevelopment Area".

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

*VOTED: to approve the Redevelopment Plan presented and to adopt the above-mentioned Resolution, (Copy of the Plan and Resolution are filed in the Document Book of the Authority as Documents 46 and 46A.)*

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

*VOTED: that a copy of the Land Assembly and Redevelopment Plan - Whitney Redevelopment Area, dated December, 1958, as approved December 26, 1958 by the Boston Redevelopment Authority, be forwarded to the Boston City Planning Board for the purpose of said Planning Board's concurrence in the finding that the said Redevelopment Plan is based upon a local survey and conforms to the comprehensive plan for the locality as a whole.*

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

*VOTED: to undertake the project and that the Chairman be authorized to submit the Redevelopment Plan, supporting documentation and financial plan for the project to the Mayor and City Council.*

The Relocation and Demolition Reports for the priority areas were distributed.

The Executive Director presented the Application for the Roxbury Renewal Project and the accompanying resolution. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

*VOTED: to postpone action on this Project Application until the Application for the larger^ Roxbury Renewal Project is completed.*

The Executive Director distributed copies of a letter from Parking Associates containing the request to expand the parking facilities at 329 Charles Street to include approximately 6,000 square feet additional space recently cleared. Parking Associates proposed a rental of an additional \$100 per month for the use of the cleared land adjacent to the present parking operations. The Executive Director recommended approval by the Authority as an accommodation to the Massachusetts General Hospital to relieve congestion. On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to accept the proposal subject to the approval of the URA on the conditions that the additional parking area would be restricted to use for automobiles with patients and visitors to the Massachusetts General Hospital, as stipulated in the December 22, 1958 letter from Parking Associates.

The Executive Director distributed copies of a tabulation of bids received on December 23, 1958 for the Preliminary Loan Notes, Second Series A, West End Project.

At this point in the meeting, Mr. Philip Kramer of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union and Mr. Segal, Attorney, entered the meeting to discuss possible locations for cooperative housing sponsored by the Garment Workers.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20.

  
Secretary