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Christine Joyce

From: Bob Whittlesey
Sent: Friday, May 16, 2008 10:15 AM
To: Christine Joyce
Cc: Kelley A. Cronin
Subject: RE: Meeting with the BOS

Hi Christine June 9 at 7:30 is OK Cheers

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From: Christine Joyce [mailto:cjoyce@acton-ma.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2008 10:03 AM
To: Bob Whittlesey
Subject: Meeting with the BOS

Mr. Whittlesey,

I need to change your appointment to meet with the Board. The new date is June 9th at 7:30 for 10 minutes.

Please e-mail or call and confirm at your earliest convenience

ROBERT B. WHITTLESEY

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Mr. Whittlesey is the founder of The Housing Partnership Network, formerly the National Association of Housing Partnerships, Inc.. He has served since its incorporation in 1992 as its first President, then Chairman and now as a Director. The Network is a nationwide membership organization of regionally-based, highly accomplished, nonprofit corporations that are preserving and developing housing and providing economic opportunity for low and moderate income families. Through the Network, local, regional and federal efforts become interconnected and members are able to leverage public resources with significant private investment and enhance their effectiveness.. He was formerly the Executive Director and President of The Metropolitan Boston Housing Partnership, Inc. (MBHP), a nonprofit organization formed by business, government and community leaders to provide affordable housing in Boston and the Boston Metropolitan area. He was the founding Executive Director of Greater Boston Community Development (now the Community Builders) from 1964 until 1977. Prior to his work with the GBCD, Mr. Whittlesey was for four years an urban planner with the National Capital Downtown Committee and ten years as a building construction manager with the George A. Filler Company.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

National Housing Policy

Mr. Whittlesey has been concerned with national housing policy issues throughout his career - through his work with Housing Partnership Network, through his work with MBHP as a national model of a public/private partnership, his work on reform of the Boston Housing Authority and his pioneering role as the founding director of South End Community Development, Inc. (later called Greater Boston Community Development and now The Community Builders) and its work with community-based organizations. SECD was founded in 1964 with a grant from the U.S. Housing and Home Finance Agency. He served on the Public Policy Committee of the Nonprofit Housing Center from 1968 – 1972.

Housing Development

Mr. Whittlesey was the Executive Director of the then Boston Housing Partnership from its initial year in 1983 until 1988 and President until 1992. During Mr. Whittlesey service with the Partnership, it assisted community-based corporations in Boston to develop over 1800 units of housing. The units were developed under programs involving between five and ten separate community development corporations. These programs involved complex financing from multiple sources, including equity syndication. .

From 1964 until 1977, Mr. Whittlesey was the founding Executive Director of Greater Boston Community Development, Inc. (GBCD), now called The Community Builders. Mr. Whittlesey was primary development consultant on a number of projects including:

SECD Housing. Ninety-three units of rehabilitated federal Section 221(d)3, 312, rent supplement and leased housing programs.

South End Tenants Houses. A 100-unit rehabilitated family housing development in 20 scattered rowhouses by a non-profit tenants organization.

ETC Rehab. A 71-unit rehabilitated family housing development in which for the first time in the U.S., the sponsoring community nonprofit corporation was the managing general partner in a HUD Section 236 syndicated development.

Viviendas La Victoria I. A 181-unit new construction family housing development developed by Inquilinos Boriquas en Accion (IBA), a South End tenants organization.

Torre Unidad. A 19-story, 201-unit housing development for the elderly developed and built by IBA under the public housing turnkey program.

Lincoln Woods. A 125-unit, low rise cooperative development sponsored by the Town of Lincoln, financed by the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, with interest and rental subsidies from the State.

During his tenure as Executive Director, GBCD acted as the development consultant on numerous other projects with a total financing of more than eighty million dollars. These included:

Kings Lynne. The conversion of a 400-unit state public housing project to private subsidized housing.

St. Stephen's Tower Apartments. A ten story high-rise building for the elderly.

Central Grammar Apartments. An 80-unit elderly project developed through the conversion of an abandoned elementary school.

Planning

Mr. Whittlesey was a charter member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. From 1960 to 1964, he was Senior Planner for Programming for the National Capital Downtown Committee, a nonprofit planning organization concerned with the revitalization of downtown Washington, D.C. He was a 1958 recipient of a Sears Roebuck Fellowship and did graduate study in City Planning at the University of Pennsylvania from 1958 to 1960.

Construction Management

From 1950 to 1958, Mr. Whittlesey was a construction manager on major building projects for the George A. Fuller Company. These included a sixteen story, 455 room Statler hotel; an educational center for the Travelers Insurance Company; an engine test cell building for AVCO; and a employee service building for the H.J.Heinz Company.. From 1948 until 1950, he was a cost estimator and job planner for the Fuller Company. He also served three months as a soils engineer with the Bureau of Reclamation at Grand Lake, Colorado.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

From 1973-1977, Mr. Whittlesey was an Associate Professor (part-time) in the College of Community and Public Service at the University of Massachusetts at Boston.

From 1980-1981, he was a Research Affiliate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

From 1982 -1983, he was a consultant at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, teaching a course in housing.

FOREIGN EXPERIENCE

Mr. Whittlesey has had extensive experience with housing in Western Europe and has participated in conferences and programs there concerned with social housing and urban redevelopment. He has visited numerous housing organizations and discussed housing with government officials and housing directors. He has arranged and led study tours of American housing and community development for officials from those and other foreign countries.

DIRECTORSHIPS

Director and Incorporator of The Housing Partnership Network, Inc.

Formerly Executive Director and President of the Metropolitan Boston Housing Partnership, Inc.

A Trustee and former Chairman of the Board of Trustees of The May Institute, Randolph, Massachusetts.

Chair, Board of Commissioners, Acton Housing Authority

Director and Past President of Citizens Housing and Planning Association, Inc. in Boston.

Formerly, a director and incorporator of the Council of Large Public Housing Authorities

Formerly, Director of River Park Mutual Homes in Washington, DC

PUBLICATIONS

Author of *The South End Row House*, published 1969, a report on a housing rehabilitation program for low income residents.

Article entitled "Nonprofit Housing and Syndication of Tax Sheltered Investment" presented at Harvard Law School, December 1970.

Author, with staff, of a *Draft Master's Report*, Perez vs. Boston Housing Authority (five volumes), July 1, 1976 on the operations of the Authority.

"Public/Private Housing Partnerships for Low Income Housing in the United States" in *Housing in the 90's: Common Issues* Robert Katz Ed. University of Illinois 1990

"Restructuring the Non-profit Sector" in *Shelter and Society*, C. Theodore Koebel, Editor, 1998.

Numerous articles and presentations at seminars and conferences.

HONORS

Sears Roebuck Graduate Fellowship in Urban Planning at the University of Pennsylvania

Community Development Finance Corporation Award for Contributions to Community Economic Development 1986

Citizens Housing and Planning Association Community Service Award 1989

Mayor of Boston's Award for Leadership in Affordable Housing 1991

EDUCATION

University: Princeton University
Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering with highest honors, 1947
(work interrupted by military service)

Graduate work: Princeton University
Master of Science in Engineering, 1948

New York University
Law and Public Administration, 1948-49

University of Pennsylvania
Master of City Planning, 1960

MILITARY SERVICE: United States Army 1943-46, with the Infantry in Europe.

FAMILY: Married with five children and nine grandchildren.

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