

MINUTES

REGIONAL PLAN ASSOCIATION, INC.
44th ANNUAL MEETING
THURSDAY, MAY 24, 1973
CARNEGIE INTERNATIONAL CENTER
345 EAST 46th STREET
NEW YORK CITY
3:45 p.m.

The 44th Annual Meeting of Regional Plan Association, Inc., was called to order at 3:45 p.m. in the Banquet Hall, Second Floor, Carnegie International Center; Morris D. Crawford, Jr., Chairman of the Board, presiding. A quorum was present in person and by proxy.

Corporate Business

Minutes

On motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting of May 25, 1972 were unanimously approved as mailed to the membership.

Annual Report of the Directors

(a) Membership Report:

On behalf of the President and the Treasurer, Mrs. Pearl H. Hack, Secretary, gave the following Membership Report:

Regional Plan Association, Inc. had 2,119 members of all classes as of May 22, 1973. The Annual Conference on November 20, 1972, and TV coverage of CHOICES FOR '76, stimulated 120 new memberships. However, because of membership resignations and non-payment of dues, the net increase is 81 over last year. Because organization, corporate, and municipal members receive two or more copies of our publications, the Association's mailing list totals approximately 4,000.

Names and places of residence of the current members are on file at the offices of the Association, 235 East 45th Street, 12th Floor, New York, New York 10017.

On motion duly made and seconded, the membership report was accepted as presented.

(b) Financial Report

On behalf of Willard G. Hampton, Treasurer, Walter B. Shaw, Member of the Program and Finance Committee, read the following statement:

The financial support received by Regional Plan Association during the past year is unprecedented in its scale and diversity. Choices for '76, the Association's series of televised town meetings, has been supported by 22 foundations, 80 business corporations, and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. To date, these sources have granted \$1,570,000 to the project, of which \$865,000 has been received during the current fiscal year.

The coming fiscal year is a watershed for the Association. Either we will fall back to our previous scale of operations, or consolidate our position somewhere between that and the crest of this year's operations. Board and staff are currently assessing the Association's program options.

During the first ten months of the current fiscal year -- July 1, 1972 to April 30, 1973 -- the Association received \$1,311,000 in general and special project income; more than two thirds was directed to Choices for '76.

I am pleased to report that General Fund income, which covers regular staff operations, is \$35,000 ahead of this point one year ago. By the end of the current fiscal year, June 30, total income in the General Fund is expected to be just below budget. In turn, General Fund expenditures are projected at the end of the year to be about ten percent under budget.

The Restricted Fund accounts -- covering special projects financed by outside grants -- received \$1,031,000 through April 30 against \$1,202,000 in expenditures. A modest deficit exists in two of these accounts, which we are seeking to erase.

Overall, 1972-73 has been a year of extraordinary financial accomplishment for the Association. By June 30, total income is expected to exceed \$1.6 million compared with \$808,000 in 1971-72 and \$862,700 the year before. Now we must re-affirm our commitment to the Association's objectives and secure the necessary funding to maintain the momentum of the past year.

On motion duly made and seconded, the report was accepted as presented.

Election of Directors

On behalf of James D. Farley, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Robert F. Wagner, Member of the Committee, reported the following nominations to the Board, of which due notice had been sent to all members:

To the Class of 1976:

- Max Abramovitz, Architect, Harrison & Abramovitz, for re-election, resident of Manhattan.
- H. Mat Adams, for re-election, resident of New Jersey.
- Samuel S. Beard, President, The Development Council, new nomination, resident of Manhattan.
- Walter D. Binger, Consulting Engineer, for re-election, resident of Manhattan.
- Patrick J. Clifford, Chairman of the Board, Security National Bank, new nomination, resident of Manhattan.
- Seymour B. Durst, Partner, The Durst Organization, new nomination, resident of Manhattan.
- Mrs. Kenneth W. Greenawalt, for re-election, resident of Westchester.
- William C. Greenough, Chairman, Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America, for re-election, resident of Manhattan.
- Mason W. Gross, President, Harry Frank Guggenheim Fund, for re-election, resident of New Jersey.
- Francis Keppel, Chairman of the Board, General Learning Corporation, new nomination, resident of Manhattan.
- John P. Keith, President, Regional Plan Association, for re-election, resident of Westchester.
- Clifford L. Lord, President, Hofstra University, for re-election, resident of Long Island.
- Miss Josephine Nieves, Director, Institute of Puerto Rican Studies, for re-election, resident of Manhattan.
- Jack John Olivero, Senior Vice-President, New York Urban Coalition, new nomination, resident of Manhattan.
- Miss Yolanda Sanchez, President, East Harlem Tenants Council, new nomination, resident of Manhattan.
- Harry G. Woodbury, Executive Vice-President, Office of Environmental Affairs, Consolidated Edison Company of New York, for re-election, resident of Westchester.

There being no other nominations, upon motion duly made and seconded, the Secretary was instructed, by unanimous vote to cast one ballot on behalf of those present, in favor of the slate of Directors presented by the Nominating Committee. John P. Keith, one of the proxies named on the proxy ballot, then voted the 375 proxies signed by members of the Association in favor of the motion.

Reading of Special Letter

The Chairman read aloud the following letter which had been submitted to him on the occasion of the Association's 44th Annual Meeting:

May 24, 1973

Dear Messrs. Crawford and Keith:

By its two recent great public educational programs, the Regional Plan Association has shown that - in its fifth decade - it continues to give vigorous leadership to the wider public understanding of the problems of planning and conservation of this great region.

The Trustees of The J. M. Kaplan Fund would like to take the occasion of this Annual Meeting to express their appreciation to RPA's Board and Staff for this most productive year by offering this Award for Leadership in Public Education in the form of the enclosed contribution of \$1,000.

Our Trustees all join in expressing the hope that RPA's work may go from strength to strength.

Cordially,

R. S. Rubinow
Secretary and Trustee
The J. M. Kaplan Fund, Inc.

Report of the President

Mr. Keith presented a summary of his President's Report, the text of which was distributed at the meeting and will be sent to the membership.

Adjournment

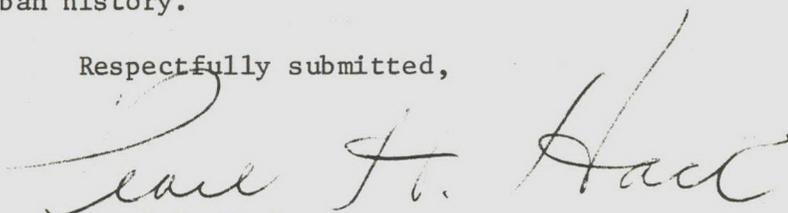
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.

Program

There followed a one hour presentation in which a summary of the ballot results of Choices for '76 were reported by William B. Shore, Vice-President, Public Affairs. (This has been sent to the membership as a Preliminary Report, The Region's Agenda, Volume III, Number 5, June, 1973).

Guest participants analyzed Mr. Shore's report from various perspectives. H. Lee Dennison, currently Director of Public Affairs of the Franklin National Bank and formerly Suffolk County Executive, spoke as a Long Island citizen who has been carefully watching the growth of the New York Metropolitan Region, officially and unofficially, for the last 50 years. Douglas S. Powell, Planning Director of Middlesex County Planning Board, described how the citizen involvement process in the Choices project had been working in central New Jersey. Professor Richard C. Wade of the City University of New York explained the role of Choices for '76 in communicating ideas to large numbers of people and the project's significance in urban history.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pearl H. Hack". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Pearl H. Hack
Secretary

REGIONAL PLAN ASSOCIATION, INC.
(A Not-For-Profit Organization)

UNAUDITED¹ STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS,
ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

APRIL 1, 1972 - MARCH 31, 1973

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Restricted Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Receipts	\$447,399	\$1,074,456	\$1,521,855
Disbursements	\$332,303	\$1,192,629	\$1,524,932
Excess disbursements over receipts			\$ (3,077)

Assets

Liabilities

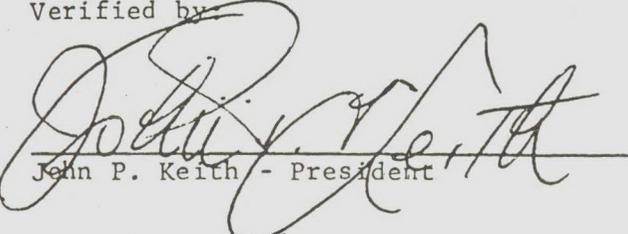
Cash		Taxes Withheld	\$ 8,300
Chemical Bank of New York	\$ 765	Outstanding Invoices	54,600
New York Bank for Savings	25,000	Funds committed for specific	
Bowery Savings Bank	48,494	restricted fund projects	154,372
Chase Manhattan Bank	39,964	General Fund Balance	178,000
Morgan Guaranty Trust	1,000		
Marketable Securities ²	7,443		
Petty Cash	350		
Post Office Deposit	1,888		
Fixed Assets	20,853		
Leasehold Improvements	10,711		
Commitments Receivable ³	<u>238,804</u>		
	\$395,272		
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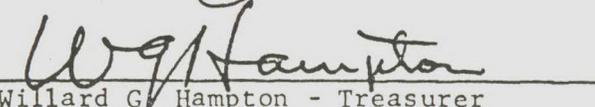
1-The Association's Statement of Recorded Cash Receipts and Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances covers the period July 1, 1972 - June 30, 1973

2-Securities received as contributions with market value at date of contribution

3-Amounts owed to the Association from government, foundations and other sources

Verified by


John P. Keith - President


Willard G. Hampton - Treasurer