

**SOMPAC  
Housing Committee  
December 3, 1997**

A meeting of the Housing Committee of the South of Market Project Area Committee was called to order on the above date at Mercy Charities, 1028-A Howard Street, at 6:30 P.M., by **Antoinetta Stadlman** Provisional Chair.

**Members Present:** Antoinetta Stadlman, Chair, Sister Amy Bayley, Jim Berk, Marlies Hensel and Jeff Roth

**Members Absent:** Jackie Benjamin, Naranjibhai R. Patel, Rick Patel and John Stevens

**Agenda:**

Confirmation of Committee Chair:

Regular meeting Place/Date/Time:

Next Meeting's Agenda:

Management Standards:

**Confirmation of Committee Chair:**

**Antoinetta** said that she had been appointed as a provisional Chair of this Committee by **Charles Range**, the PAC's Chair; either **Antoinetta's** permanency in this position had to be confirmed by the Committee, or someone else would have to be elected. By unanimous vote, **Antoinetta** was confirmed as Chair of the Housing Committee,

**Regular meeting Place/Date/Time:**

Discussion of when would be most convenient time for our regular meetings ensued. The idea of early morning meetings was discussed, but abandoned; eventually, it was tentatively agreed that our regular meetings would be the first Monday of every month; our next meeting would be January 5th, 1998. It was also agreed by consensus that we would have a special meeting on Tuesday December 9th at 6:00 P.M. so that we could meet again anterior to the December 15th PAC meeting.

**Next Meeting's Agenda:**

It was agreed that at our next meeting, the special meeting of December 9th, that we would discuss those topics covered by those motions that have been propounded by Antoinetta, John, and Jim, most of which were distributed on paper at the last PAC meeting.

**Management Standards:**

The above discussion led to Management Standards, in light of the letter signed by **John** and **Jan** and the **Patel's**. **Antoinetta** said that passage of this would put the PAC on record as favoring Management Standards, even though there has been no examination of the plan or its current draught. **Jim** said that in pushing Management Standards, **Kaplan** had always said that its enforcement base was the threat of Eminent Domain; seizing the hotels for non-compliance with the standards demanded. **Jim** went on to say that he had talked with **Kathy** of Redevelopment, and she had told him that this was absurd; Eminent Domain would never be used against any hotel for any of this manner of non-compliance. **Marlies** said that Eminent Domain was a complex and extremely lengthy process. **Antoinetta** said that Eminent Domain was rarely used when it should be, on abandoned or desirously neglected buildings. **Antoinetta** said that Eminent Domain was generally used when whole blocks of space need to be cleared to make way for some mega-project that would end up displacing numerous of the area's residents. **Jeff** said that his problem with the Management Standards was that they reduced the current legal standards that hotels were

obligated to maintain, and rewarded them for keeping this lower level of standards. **Antoinetta** said that she was upset that for some reason, the Management Standards seemed to be on some sort of fast-track, the letter from **John, Jan** and the **Patel's** was going directly to the full PAC for approval without any review by this committee or anyone else. **Amy Bayley** said that when Management Standards came up at the PAC, this should be referred to this committee, as this was altogether too important an issue not to review carefully. **Marlies** suggested that the enforcement of standards should be overseen by the City Attorney's Code Enforcement Task Force, and that someone in the City Attorney's office could be gotten to address either this committee or the full PAC.

**Adjournment:**

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.**

The minutes were taken and typed by Antoinetta Stadlman.