

# **MINUTES**

## **HARC ADVOCACY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, March 1, 2022

**This meeting was conducted via ZOOM due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic**

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**PRESENT:**

Martha Harris  
Linda Lovell  
Martha Raymond  
Gail Rothrock  
Michael Hobbs

**GUESTS:** Al Cox and Lisa Schumaier

**CITY STAFF:** Nicole Quinn, Office of Historic Alexandria

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**CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order by Martha Raymond at 10:03 AM

**VIRTUAL MEETING NOTICE:** was read by Nicole Quinn.

**WELCOME TO MEMBERS:**

Martha Raymond welcomed all members and gave a brief overview of the topics to be addressed.

**REVIEW OF RECENT PROJECTS:**

Martha Raymond started a discussion about the documents to add Torpedo Factory to the National Register of Historic Places.

Highlighted were the architectural and cultural significance of this single remaining original industrial building on the waterfront and the desire to not compromise the significant outside or interior appearance.

Al Cox was making some important points and suggestions about highlighting these items as well as making recommendations about how to approach BAR about these issues.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Linda Lovell brought up the proposed changes for 2 buildings: 615 and 621 King Street which entail either demolition or re-development.

The committee discussed the possibility of a proposal for HARC to weigh in at the upcoming BAR meeting March 16.

Linda Lovell will follow up with co-chair Danny Smith before the next HARC meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Lisa pointed out the tourist perspective of visiting the Torpedo Factory, with its industrial feel and that it invites a creative spark. She also mentioned, that it is a unique and special venue just by itself and cautioned about the addition of a additional floor, which would most likely cause structural difficulties.

The next meeting will be held April 5, 2022 at 10:00 TBD

Martha adjourned the meeting at 11:15 am

