MINUTES HARC ADVOCACY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AUGUST 2, 2022

PRESENT: Linda Lovell, Martha Harris, Gail Rothrock, Michael Hobbs, Martha Raymond

MEMBER(S) OF THE PUBLIC: none today

LOCATION: La Madeleine, King Street

CALL TO ORDER: The Advocacy committee convened on August 2, 2022 at 10 AM.

PROJECTS/ISSUES

1. Torpedo Factory

The group discussed next steps and hopes that the stakeholder group will be convened soon, since HARC/BAR effort apparently must await that. Members expressed interest in gaining a better understanding of the rules governing NR applications.

2. Samuel Madison project

After a careful review of the concept documents and the state of play, members were not certain about HARC's next steps. Concern was expressed about the use of RMF zoning which appears to trump everything else (heights set for historic districts, small area plans, etc.). The Section 106 process which has begun should look at alternatives to demolition, but there is no indication that this has occurred yet. The Parks and Recreation staff are looking at the open space components of the revised plan, as well needs of the surrounding community.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Sept 6 prior to the BAR meeting.