HARC Advocacy Committee

January 9, 2024 meeting 10:00 - 11:00 am La Madeleine, King Street

Participants: Gail Rothrock, Donna DeBlasio, Martha Raymond

Public participation: Scott Corzine of Old Town Neighbors group

Discussion: Regarding new construction project at 301 N. Fairfax St. (at the northwest corner of the 300 block of Fairfax, Queen, Lee and Princess Streets)

There will be a City Council hearing about the project on January 20th. Exemptions to current rules are requested (including zoning allowance increases, crown cover/tree reductions and setback reductions). A group of local citizens is concerned about the impacts on the neighborhood and setting a precedent for two other large properties in the same block. The property is within Alexandria's Old and Historic District and is included in the Waterfront Plan. We discussed the potential for HARC testimony at the January 20th meeting given the potential impacts/precedents for an entire block in Old Town.

For discussion at next HARC meeting: request for support to have HARC Chair or other HARC representative to speak re: 301 N. Fairfax project at January 20th City Council meeting.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 6, 2024. La Madeleine, 10:00 am