October 14, 2016

Margaret G. Smith

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Merrill’s Wharf

254 Commercial Street

Portland, ME 04101

RE: 164 Middle Street, Portland, Maine, CBL: 029-O-002 (the “Property”)

Dear Ms. Smith:

 Regarding the Property, I provide the following information:

1. The Property is located in the B-3 Downtown Business Zone as well as within the Historic Overlay Zone and the Downtown Entertainment Overlay Zone, and the Pedestrian Activities District (PAD) Overlay Zone along the Middle Street frontage.
2. Based on the recent permits and certificate of occupancy on file, I understand that the Property’s current uses are restaurant, retail and bar. These uses are permitted uses in the current zone as are general and business offices and professional offices [section 14-217(a)] except for the uses along the frontage on Middle Street which must be a use permitted in the PAD Overlay Zone [section 14-217(b)].
3. To the best of my knowledge, there are no outstanding notices of violation or enforcement actions by the Permitting and Inspections Department regarding this property. However, I cannot certify that the Property meets all applicable laws, codes, rules, and standards at this time.
4. The Property does have a certificate of occupancy a copy of which is attached.

I trust that this sufficiently satisfies your needs. If, however, you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (207) 874-8709. This interpretation is based on the information provided and available at the time, and the current City of Portland Code of Ordinances.  It is not binding on the City of Portland in any future decisions.

Yours truly,

Ann B. Machado

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