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Machias Savings Bank Granite State Development Corp. Forefront Brick South, LLC

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RE: 1 Thompson’s Point, Lot 3, Portland, Maine, CBL 201-A-005 (the “Property”)

To Whom It May Concern:

Regarding the Property at 1 Thompson’s Point, Lot 3 in Portland, Maine, I am providing the following information:

1. The Property is located in the City’s B-5 Urban Commercial Mixed Use zone and the Shoreland Overlay zone. The uses permitted in the B-5 Zone are enumerated in Section 14-230.1 of the City of Portland Code of Ordinances
2. I understand that the Property’s proposed use is as an event center with a 2,500 person capacity. Section 14-230.1 allows “Meeting and convention halls”, “Theaters and places of public assembly” and “Exhibition Halls”. An event center could be considered any of these specific uses. To the extent that the Property’s use changes or does not meet the requirements for the use described, this determination is not valid.
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. Building Permit #2016-02065 applied for on 08/05/2016 to change the use of the existing building on the Property “from storage space to event space with a kitchen to service the events” is currently in review by the Permitting and Inspections Division.
5. The Planning Board approved with conditions a Level III site plan application (Site Plan #2015-159) “for the renovation of an existing building (Brick South) for use as a flexible 2,500 person event/assembly space with associated parking, utilities and storm water management within the 34,000 square foot property” on January 12, 2016. The “Subdivision Plan, Sectional 1 Recording Plat, The Forefront at Thompson’s Point,” dated September 2014 and revised through September 19, 2016 (SheetC-2.1) has not been signed by the Planning Board as of the date of this letter, and therefore, has not been recorded at the Cumberland County Registry of Deeds.

I trust the information provided is sufficient. Please contact me at (207) 874-8709 with questions or concerns. 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.

Sincerely,

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