

Downtown Waterfront

DT Waterfront Committee Meeting

May 16, 2023



PINNACLE HILL ENGINEERING





Agenda

- 1. Review of Connector Road planning
- 2. Overview of Harbor Masters Building
- 3. Next steps



Connector Road

Design Elements

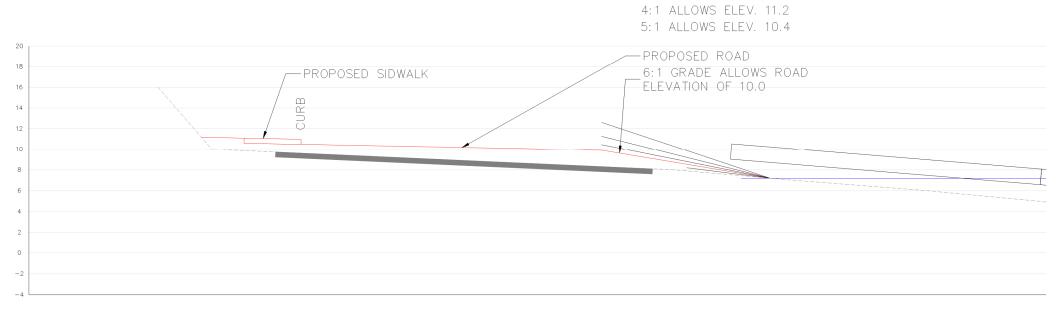


Key to Design Elements

- 1. Connectivity from Harbor Trail boardwalk / bridge to Buoy Park / Middle Pier
- 2. Access to improved hand carry launch facilities, storage, and beach area
- New retaining wall and sidewalk along Police Plaza parking and bus drop off zone
- 4. Improved beach area with living shoreline elements and new hand carry launch facilities
- 5. Stabilized side slopes with living shoreline opportunities
- 6. Pedestrian bridge connection between Harbor Park and Buoy Park as part of the Harbor Trail extension







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Harbor Master's Building and Yacht Club

Project Area #A

Harbor Park / Mildred Merrill Park



• Component 1 - Harbor Master Building

• Description: Relocation of original building out of flood zone, demolition of additions, utilities, repair and additions to include shower, laundry, and public restroom facilities

• Component 2 - Harbor Park Infrastructure & Utilities

 Description: Site work to address projected storm surge and flooding including demolition, fill, earthwork, stormwater and utilities, roadways, and parking

• Component 3 - Harbor Park Improvements

• Description: Site improvements including sidewalks and paths, transitions to neighboring properties, lighting, signage, furnishings, loam, seeding, and plantings

• <u>Component 4 – Amphitheater / Memorial Garden</u>

 Description: Construction of a new amphitheater and stage, Fishermen's Memorial Garden, walks, walls, signage, and plantings

• <u>Component 5 – Main Street Sidewalk</u>

 Description: Widening / improvement of Main Street sidewalk along park frontage to include pavers, existing lighting, crossings

• Component 6 – Mildred Merrill Park Improvements (future, TBD)

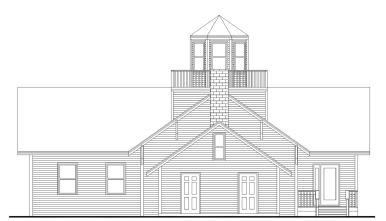
 Description: Addition of features / improvements at Mildred Merrill Park to be determined at a future date

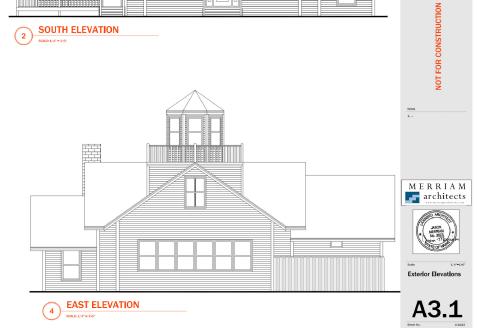
Summary of existing and potential building programming/uses

- Harbormaster's office with secure area
- Outdoor information kiosk/glassed in bulletin board
- Observation area for launch manager with cupboard to lock away cash box
- City meetings
- Yacht club meetings
- Yacht club events
- Possible Interpretive sign about the building history and it being the 2nd oldest club
- Space for transient boaters to come ashore
- Boater services (restrooms, showers, laundry, wifi)

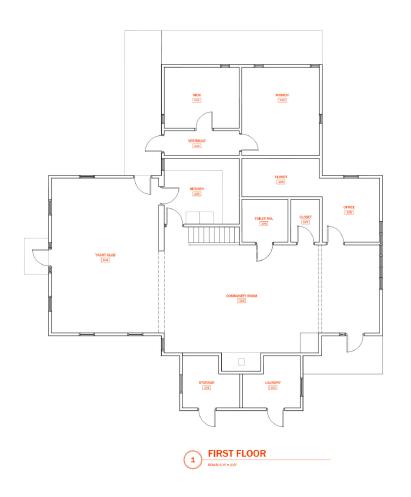








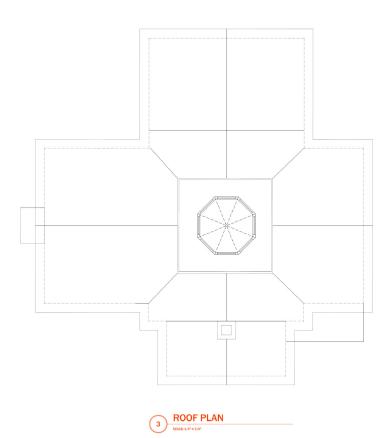
ROCKLAND HARBOR MASTERS BUILDING





SECOND FLOOR







Area for Further Consideration – Preservation or Build New

The original building:

- Community sentiment its familiar, people tend to want to preserve (In particular the widow's walk and fireplace)
- Not an historic building original building was actually one story
- Awkward layout that doesn't take advantage of water view
- Very expensive to bring it to code because . . .
 - Second floor structure does not meet commercial code requirement
 - o Lack of ADA accessibility for City entrance and restroom
 - Energy code

Build New:

- Build new up to code energy efficient space in the form of the original historic building
- Include glass on the water side that takes advantage of the view, and potentially opens to the seating are that is planned
- Opportunity to make more efficient use of a small space
- A larger room that could be shared with Yacht club with a more effective, sound muffling divider for when two events need to happen at the same time
- Could use historic portion of the building as the inspiration
- Could incorporate storage built into the outside of the building for hoses/tools/maybe pedestals

If the cost is nearly equivalent, how sure are we that we wish to preserve rather than build new?



Next Steps