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Subject: RE: Sasaki Plan on Market Landing Park Expansion

Richard, In our Sept 29,2021 meeting we discussed at some length the latest Sasaki proposal as listed in your Order 284. The Waterfront Trust voted unanimously to support this latest design. We have been following this design development very closely over the last several months and believe this latest configuration is optimal considering the several demands that have been put on the design. We did come up with two concerns. The first is the winter dock storage. We would prefer that these be moved up to Cashman Park. But at the same time we realize that this will add cost, inconvenience and potential extra wear and tear. If this a major factor then the proposed storage site shown in the plan is certainly an improvement over where they have been stored in the past and we could support that. The second concern is that we believe that there should be an open space, potentially a hardscape, to hold small events like a Brew Fest, or a small theater production, or a dance recital where a temporary stage could be set up and left for 2-3 weeks like we had this past summer on the new East Lawn. Maybe this open space could be where the docks might be stored in the winter? In any case these are details that can be addressed at a later date. Overall, we are very excited with the proposed expansion and look forward to working with Sasaki and the City to make this a reality.