

Lambda Alpha Baltimore

Luncheon Meeting Agenda

February 18, 2015

12:00 p.m.

1. Welcome & Sponsor Recognition – Ballard Spahr, LLC
2. LAI Land Economics Weekend (LEW) – Washington, D.C. April 2015, based at Hotel Monaco
3. **2015 Programs – Upcoming Speakers**
 - a. **Wednesday March 18** –Presentation by **Michael Braverman, Baltimore City**, on the Vacants to Value program, located at 100 E. Pratt Training room
 - b. **Wednesday April 15** –Tenative - Market Update by **Bill Roohan, CBRE**
4. **Attendee Introductions**

5. **Speaker Introduction –**

**Jon Laria, Ballard Spahr,
Tom Liebel, Marks Thomas & Assoc.**

Co-Chairs of ULI/NTHP Partnership for Building Reuse study of obstacles to reusing existing buildings in Baltimore

The Partnership for Building Reuse is a joint initiative of the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) and the Urban Land Institute (ULI), designed to increase market-driven building reuse in major cities. Baltimore is one of five cities participating in this national initiative which will help shape redevelopment policy across the country. More than 95 building reuse practitioners have been involved in the project locally, including developers, preservationists, engineers, attorneys, architects, funders, community leaders, and government agency staff.

Jon M. Laria represents owners, developers, and lenders in all types of commercial real estate transactions, including development, finance, acquisition, and leasing. He also has an active land use and zoning practice and has provided counsel for some of Baltimore's most prominent development projects. He is **Managing Partner** of the firm's Baltimore office. Since 2010, he has served as **Chair of the Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission**, which advises the Governor and General Assembly on land use and development issues statewide. He was recently appointed by the legislature's presiding officers to the **Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission**. In Baltimore, he is **co-founder** of the **Baltimore Development Workgroup** and serves on the **Mayor's Tax Policy Task Force**.

Tom Liebel, FAIA, NCARB, LEED Fellow As **one of the first 25 LEED Accredited Professionals in the country**, Tom Liebel, FAIA, LEED Fellow has been involved in integrating sustainable design principles into a variety of ground-breaking adaptive use and historic preservation projects over the past twenty years. Projects Tom has worked on have received multiple local, state and national awards for design, smart growth,

sustainable design and historic preservation. Tom has consulted on green projects nationally and internationally and has recently **authored a chapter on sustainable design for the National Trust for Historic Preservation's Main Street Program publication, Revitalizing Main Street: A Practitioner's Guide to Comprehensive Commercial District Revitalization**, as well as **Industrial Baltimore**, an illustrated history of Baltimore's industrial legacy. Tom currently serves as **chair of the Maryland Green Building Council** and **chair of Baltimore City's Commission on Historical and Architectural Preservation (CHAP)**.

6. Adjournment.