- (vi) The United States Department of the Interior, as designated by the Department of the Interior;
 - (vii) The Department of Planning; and
- (viii) The State Highway Administration of the Department of Transportation;
- (3) Residents and business representatives from the area within and adjacent to the [Preservation District] HERITAGE AREA; and
- (4) Other representatives as the Authority deems appropriate. 13–1027.

The Authority is exempt:

- (1) From the payment of taxes or assessments of any kind;
- (2) Except as provided in Title 14, Subtitle 3 of the State Finance and Procurement Article, from the provisions of Division II of the State Finance and Procurement Article; and
- (3) From the provisions of DIVISION I OF the State Personnel and Pensions Article THAT GOVERN THE STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. 13–1029.
- (a) Any unit of the State government that conducts or supports activities affecting the [Preservation District] HERITAGE AREA shall:
- (1) Consult, cooperate, and, to the maximum extent possible, coordinate its activities with the Authority; and
 - (2) Conduct or support the activities of the unit in a manner that:
- (i) To the maximum extent practicable, is consistent with the management plan established under $\S 13-1011$ of this subtitle; and
- (ii) As determined under Article 83B, §§ 5-617 and 5-618 of the Code, does not have an adverse effect on the historic resources of the [Preservation District] HERITAGE AREA.
- (b) A unit of the State government may not issue any license or permit to any person to conduct any activity within the [Preservation District] HERITAGE AREA unless the unit determines that the proposed activity:
- (1) Will be conducted in a manner that is consistent with the management plan established under § 13-1011 of this subtitle; and
- (2) As determined under Article 83B, §§ 5-617 and 5-618 of the Code, does not have an adverse effect on the historic resources of the [Preservation District] HERITAGE AREA.