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Subject:

Acoustics

Martini Park, Scottsdale

SMW Project 8134

Dear John.

This letter will respond to the City of Scottsdale's letter of 3 July to Lynne Lagarde, Earl Curley & Lagarde, regarding Ordinance Related Issues for the proposed Martini Park, Scottsdale facility (Re: 15-UP-2008, 16-UP-2008 Martini Park); in particular, Section Zoning 2 and 3.

Zoning 2. (Outdoor Speakers)

We understand their will be no outdoor loudspeakers used for sound amplification of music or speech at the Martini Park facility.

Zoning 3 (Acoustics)

Previous acoustical sound levels and documentation is acknowledged regarding expected outdoor noise levels in the vicinity of the Martini Park venue. This paragraph requests a response to the "standard stipulation for noise levels associated with a bar/live entertainment use" as noted in the following paragraph:

"No amplification equipment shall be installed in the outdoor patio. No noise generated from this use, including the outdoor patio, shall exceed noise levels of ambient noise consistent with the use and character of the area during the corresponding hours of operation, as determined by City staff."

Noise disturbance is typically identified with residential areas, where people might be enjoying the peace and tranquility of their home, or sleeping in the evening. As the evening time gets later, the ambient noise (resulting from traffic/vehicles and general sounds created in the outside environment) typically decreases. Non-sensitive areas would typically include commercial office, retail, and industrial buildings.

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In typical urban or suburban environments near heavily trafficked arterials, the ambient noise level might be in the range of 65-80 decibels ("A" scale; hence dBA).

With all of the doors to the outside closed, and music playing inside, the expected sound level outside of Martini Park would be approximately 65-75 dBA, controlled by the traffic ambient, and would not be noticeable. With all of the Nano doors open to the patio, the exterior sound level would be approximately 80-85 dBA within about 15-20 ft. from the building, and would be inaudible approximately 60-80 ft. away.

We understand that Martini Park is surrounded on three sides by the Scottsdale Quarter mixed use development consisting of a parking structure to the north, and commercial, retail and office buildings (including some industrial buildings to the south across Butherus) on all other sides. None of these buildings (to our knowledge) are considered noise-sensitive; and none are expected to be occupied in the late evening hours when Martini Park is in operation. We understand there is a planned condominium project hundreds of feet to the east of the Martini Park facility. These residential and hotel buildings would either not have line-of-sight to the Martini Park facility, would be shielded by other intervening buildings, or would be too far away to be impacted by the Martini Park operations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely Yours, Shen Milsom & Wilke Inc

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