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**VIA EMAIL**

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RE: Comment Response to 9/8 Questions  
Application #2025-0287, Wake Robin Inn Redevelopment

We represent ARADEV LLC. On their behalf, ARADEV LLC submits the following responses to the September 8, 2025 questions.

We noticed that the Commission uploaded a few comments and questions over the weekend and earlier this morning. In order to respond in a timely manner, we reviewed them internally with our consultants, including Cavanaugh Tocci, and have prepared the responses below.

***Would there be advantage to further sound control through the use of sound panels throughout the event venue?***

The indoor space finishes will have sound absorption as a major part of the design for many reasons including minimizing sound transmission. This important detail is part of an event facility interior design and will be part of the building permit construction documents after completion of the planning and zoning special permit process.

***With percussion as a major driver in the elevation of sound levels with live band functions would the use of drum shields reduce overall db ratings?***

Drum shields are typically used effectively in studio environments to control sound levels at microphones, however in a venue setting they would have little impact on reducing sound transmission to the outside. In addition, drum shields will hinder musicians' performance as they are designed for sound studios and are not standard for live band setups. The applicant has instead proposed a highly robust wall assembly design that exceeds typical acoustic standards and ensures compliance with the conservative 32 dBA design goal.

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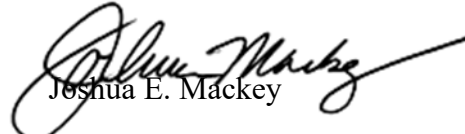
***Would a remote power shutoff ( 100' away from individual units) allow staff to shut down power to an individual unit if excessive noise became an issue?***

Such a measure may create a hazardous safety condition and is neither industry standard nor legally permissible. The planning and zoning commission assumes applicants will comply with regulations, not operate in violation of them. This is an upscale hotel facility and there is no history of disruptive behavior at the property. A strict code of conduct will be enforced, and as the Wake Robin Inn is private property, management and staff retain the authority to remove any individuals who do not comply.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [jmackey@mbwlawyers.com](mailto:jmackey@mbwlawyers.com).

Sincerely,

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