Planning Commission Mtg. Jan 22, 2020 Agenda Item # 7C

Ayers, Dana

From:	Marseilles, Bill <wmarseilles@firstrepublic.com></wmarseilles@firstrepublic.com>
Sent:	Thursday, January 16, 2020 9:01 AM
To:	Ayers, Dana
Subject:	I Support the Oak Knoll Hotel Project!
Importance:	High

Dear Ms. Ayers,

I am writing you today to express my strong support for the Oak Knoll Hotel project proposed for 5091 Solano Avenue, Napa, CA.

As a 20+ year resident of Napa who is active in the business community and an avid cyclist, I am excited to see a project such as this one being pursued to remedy a property that is clearly an eye sore at best and a blight in our community at the least. I 100% agree with and support the Oak Knoll Hotel's environmentally sensitive approach to this property and applaud their supporting cycling tourism in the Valley. Based upon my review of the information released to date on this project, I feel that it will reduce the overall traffic and water usage for this property, be a tremendous improvement aesthetically and be a true asset to the Napa Valley and our Community.

Thank you for listening to my view on this project and I strongly encourage you to support it in your capacity as Lead County Planner for Napa.

Regards,

Bill

Bill Marseilles

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Ayers, Dana

From:	Angus Cleland <anguscleland@gmail.com></anguscleland@gmail.com>
Sent:	Thursday, January 16, 2020 9:28 AM
То:	Ayers, Dana
Subject:	In support of proposed hotel project at 5091 Solano Avenue, Napa,

Good Day Ms Ayers,

I am writing to express my support for the Oak Knoll Hotel project at 5091 Solano Avenue, Napa, CA. It is my belief that this project will benefit the community in many ways including:

- Upgrading a property that has been dormant and in a deteriorating condition for years;

- Providing a new environmentally sensitive tourism model focused on cycling (given the hotel's direct proximity to the Napa Valley Vine Trail); and

- By reducing the overall intensity of the land use, traffic and water usage will be reduced compared to the existing entitlements.

Given these positive benefits, as well as the overall design aesthetic and smart positioning of the hotel, we would strongly encourage you to support and approve the project.

Sincerely,

Angus Cleland 1702 Madrona Avenue, Saint Helena, CA 94574

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Chris Cutler 36 Valley Club Circle Napa, CA 94558

January 16, 2020

RE: OAK KNOLL HOTEL

ATTN: Napa County Supervisors, Planning Commissioners and Planning Department

To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing today to express my support for the Oak Knoll Hotel project at 5091 Solano Avenue, Napa, CA.

This project will benefit the community in many ways including:

- Upgrading a property that has been dormant and a major eyesore for decades;
- Providing a new environmentally sensitive tourism model focused on cycling given the hotel's direct proximity to the Napa Valley Vine Trail;
- By reducing the overall intensity of the land by transforming from a 296 seat restaurant and 20,000 square feet of commercial/retail area to a small boutique hotel with less guests, employees, traffic and water usage compared to the existing entitlements;
- By providing a place for residents of the Oak Knoll area and beyond to come to dine and gather together;

Given these positive benefits, as well as the overall design aesthetic and smart positioning of the hotel, we would strongly encourage you to support and approve the project.

Sincerely,

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Chris Cutler



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January 22, 2020

Napa County Planning Commission 1195 Third Street, Suite 210 Napa, CA 94559

RE: Oak Knoll Hotel 5091 Solano Avenue, Napa

Dear Ms. Ayers, Ms. Gallina and Mr. Morrison,

I am a resident of Napa County; our company owns Harvest Inn St Helena, an 81- room hotel resort located at 1 Main Street in St. Helena.

We write to express Harvest Inn's support for the Oak Knoll Hotel project at 5091 Solano Avenue in Napa (the "Project"). It is our understanding that the Project is currently under review by the County. Clearly, the Project presents a number of important benefits to the community. First, the property is an eyesore, and does not provide residents and visitors a beautiful welcome mat to the Valley. We remain excited to see a new and attractive building at that location. Second, we understand that water and traffic impacts will be reduced. As a leading hotel in the Napa Valley, these are important issues to our hotel guests and team members. Given the Project's proximity to the Napa Valley Vine Trail, we understand that the Project will feature access to cycling, which further reduces traffic. Considering the above, we strongly support this proposal and thank you in advance for your approval of the Oak Knoll Hotel.

All the best, --DocuSigned by:

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Richard H. Kaufman President

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