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MEMORANDUM

Date:

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To:

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CC:

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From:

Chuck Hart, P.E. PTOE, Lochner

Re:

Document Review for the Mile Hotel & Shops Project

Attachments:

None

At the request of the City of Coral Gables Department of Public Works staff, Lochner performed a follow up review of the revised documents submitted for the subject project.

The Mile Hotel & Shops Parking Analysis Memorandum - September 25, 2019

The revised Parking Analysis Memorandum mentions that the restaurants proposed at the Mile Hotel should be defined as ancillary uses, since the nearby Courtyard by Marriott's restaurant was included in the study performed to calculate parking rates. However, it would not be appropriate to compare these two properties, aside from the fact that they are both classified as hotels. As shown on the Coral Gables Courtyard by Marriott's website, their only "restaurant" is The Bistro Café, shown in the picture below. This does not compare to the multiple restaurants described by the Mile Hotel's architect.



It was noted at the Planning and Zoning meeting held on September 11, 2019, that the description of the property's restaurants did not fall into what would be described as ancillary uses to the hotel, but rather

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choice destination restaurants that local residents would choose to dine at. This seemed particularly true of the architect's description of the roof-top restaurant. Upon examination of the revised plans, both the casual and fine dining restaurants located on the second floor would likely be frequented by local diners as well, and not only hotel guests, which is the key factor in these trips needing to be defined.

Since none of these restaurants were included in the previous Trip Generation Memorandum, that document should be revised and the trip generation analysis performed to include each of the three restaurants, each including the square footage for both the indoor and outdoor seating areas described in the plans. Should any peak hour exceed 50 new trips, a Traffic Impact Analysis will be required.

Additionally, based on the revised parking requirements for each use as shown on sheet A.10 and in the figure below, the Parking Analysis Memorandum should be revised.

135 spaces 63 spaces
31 spaces
42 spaces
Zero on site
271 spaces required
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The Mile Hotel & Shops Valet Queuing Analysis Memorandum - September 25, 2019

This document was revised to clarify the location of the parking garage that will provide off-site parking. However, it was noted in the revised valet processing time calculations, that a walking/jogging speed of eight feet per second was used. Considering the fact that Miami-Dade County assumes walking speeds to be four feet per second, and that most valet queuing analyses performed use either five or six feet per second (including those at Sunset Place, and the Coral Gables Living project) this speed is somewhat unrealistic and should be revised.

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