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Park City Council

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Appeal - March 30, 2017 Meeting

Opposition to Party Deck on Kimball Art Center

Dear Park City Council:

I have lived in Old Town since 1989 at 621 Park Ave. Before retirement I operated my Law firm for 35 years on Main Street, including restoring the Old City Hall as offices for my legal practice and for the Park City Historical Society.

My wife of 52 years, Kristine and our two children, Lauren and Adam who live in Park Meadows and Prospector respectively, continue the Family tradition of being active in Park City civic and community issues. Our family OPPOSES the Outside Music Stage Party Deck portion of the re-model of Kimball Art Center for many of the reasons stated by Syd Reed on my behalf and the Park City Historical Society Appeal. Other reasons for our opposition include:

1. Sound pollution from Outdoor music on the Party Deck Stage, possibly every night until at least 10 PM. There are plenty of Outdoor Music venues already - Deer Valley Concerts, City Park, Park City Mountain, Mountain Stages at the foot of Main Street, etc. This proposed Outdoor Party Deck Nightly Outdoor Bandstand with Volume at "11" will undermine, irrevocably, the character of Old Town to the detriment of our remaining permanent residents and increasing the transient tourists.

- 2. Other rooftops at Sweeny's, Sky Lodge, Silver Queen Hotel, Marriott Summit, etc. will likely convert Old Town to a constant Outdoor Sound Stage destroying the current tourist family friendly, walkable area for skiers and bikers and their families, who need their sleep, not a private band with sound pollution during walks, dinner and relaxing. The increasing use of condominiums for nightly rental will drop because I know tourists will be upset at the drastic change in comparative currently quiet, but with available clubs for music Indoors on Main Street, with occasional specially approved concerts on lower Main Street.
- 3. Destroying the character of a commercially very successful Main Street with many Indoor music venues Harry O's, Riverhorse and other bar/restaurants will, at core violate what makes Park City so successful enforcement of zoning to authorize events e.g. Deer Valley Concerts where they belong and fit, not by jamming in a lifestyle change in character in the middle of an already fragile Historic Old Town.

Thanks you for your consideration of the worst example of the camel getting its nose in the Arab's tent I've seen in 43 years in Park City. Please grant Appeal and Deny CUP for Unlimited Outdoor Music Sound Stage Party Deck use in heart of Old Town.

Sincerely:

Gordon Strachan

cc: Jack Thomas

Andy Beerman

Diane Murphy

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Bruce Ericksen

Syd Reed

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