From:	Sarah Wetenhall
To:	Paul Castro
Cc:	Wayne Bergman; Maura Ziska; Kelly Churney; Town Council
Subject:	response to Linda Rochez complaint - The Colony Hotel
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Dear Paul,

I am writing you in response to Ms. Linda Rochez' email dated July 16, 2020 complaining about the East Garden of The Colony Hotel. It is the purpose of this communication to set the record straight regarding the facts addressed in her note. A few things for you, town staff and the Town Council to be aware of:

--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Ms. Rochez does herself not reside in Unit 2 at 129 Hammon Avenue and she personally was not present in June 2020 when the two events in question took place. In fact, Ms. Rochez has had a tenant in her unit for multiple years, Ms. Sarah Rebecca Maier Robinson, who runs a fashion business out of the apartment, Rebecca Charles Collections, Inc. This business is registered on SunBiz as having its principal address at 129 Hammon Avenue, Apartment 2, Palm Beach Florida 33480 and has filed documentation since 2018 using this address.

--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->At the date of her email, Ms. Rochez was actually in contract to sell Unit 2.

--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Ms. Rochez did indeed receive notice from the Town of Palm Beach regarding the East Garden, LPC Case Number COA-017-2019. The notice was sent to her at 340 S US Highway 1, Apartment 207, Jupiter Florida 33477 which is the town's mailing address on file for their property, PCN 50434326090020020.

--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->Ms. Rochez notes in her message that 'we have had very loud and unpleasant noises and extremely loud music coming from there.' The Colony Hotel has only executed two events in our East Garden, Rabbi Scheiner's daughter's wedding on June 8th and then another small, socially distant Orthodox wedding ceremony the following Monday on June 15th. I am unsure exactly what 'unpleasant noises' she is referring to, as both ceremonies were happy occasions consisting of music and singing. My family resides just to the west at 125 Hammon Avenue, and we were in residence during the time in question and

we certainly didn't hear any 'unpleasant noises.' I think her description is indicative of the fact that Ms. Rochez wasn't indeed present to experience the two events personally and was instead likely compelled to complain by Mr. Paul Wood, her board president.

--[if !supportLists]-->• <!--[endif]-->For the record, this email is the first I am hearing of any complaint from Ms. Rochez. While my team and I have spoken with Mr. Paul Wood regarding similar matters previously, I am surprised that Ms. Rochez would not first speak with someone from The Colony about how we could work to find common ground before lodging her complaint with town staff.

Thank you kindly taking my email under consideration and for adding it to the appropriate record. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require further information.

With warmest regards from our Pink Paradise,

Sarah

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