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RE: DA2022/1320 - 20 Albert Street FRESHWATER NSW 2096

SUBMISSION AGAINST THE ST ALMA'S DA

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ATTENTION:

Town Planners Northern Beaches Council,

We are residents and owners of the unit next-door/above IN 22-26 Albert St Freshwater. Alma restaurant (20 Albert St Freshwater). I do not support the proposal in DA2022/1320, reasons being:

Initially this outside area was not approved in the initial development of the restaurant nor should the reasons that it was rejected have changed despite the fact you are closing or attempting to close the driveway for "more parking" which will only allow for one extra car on the road and not needed as there are four large carparks in Freshwater within easy walk to the restaurant!

By allowing the restaurant to develop the outdoor space into dining area, the restaurant will no longer have space for their deliveries. There is no loading zone in front of the restaurant. It will significantly disrupt the traffic flow in Albert St if the restaurant doesn't have its own loading zone (currently they use the outdoor space as their loading zone, which works well). The normal traffic in Freshwater, particularly in Albert St is already quite busy and very congested in warmer seasons

2. The proposed extended operating hours will significantly disrupt the residents nearby, especially our unit block which situated right above the restaurant. We already have heavy noises at night after the restaurant closes at 10:00pm, as the patrons making their way out and linger in front of the restaurant, smoking and making noises due to the cocktail bar within this restaurant and across the road at Stowaway Bar. By extending the operating hours, this situation will compound the problem and escalate the noise levels. Freshwater already has its bars/pubs that operate till midnight. As residents, we'd appreciate council's careful consideration to minimise noises in the neighbourhood late in the night. It is not Manly CBD or Sydney city CBD it is a village and not a "Night Club" district.

Regards Alicia & Sonny Ryan