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> On 4 Oct 2024, at 4:57 PM, [REDACTED]:

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> Re: pex2024/0005

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> Dear Rebecca Sio,

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> With risk of being alienated within my own community can you please withhold my name, email and address.

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> I have lived in the Freshwater Basin for 13 years. I have witnessed the transition of the Harbord Beach Hotel to the Harbord Hotel. I can honestly say the

> transition has been a positive one and the Harbord Hotel has only added value to the suburb.

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> In regards to the Hotel's current Planning Proposal, I have read all the submissions and I would like to submit my support for the application and have the following comments:

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> 1. more car parking is desperately needed. Pub patrons are currently utilising street parking, more parking for pub patrons will free up parking on the street.

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> 2. With 37 rooms we can expect 37 additional cars to the basin, of which some would likely be visiting the pub, Pulu or the beach anyway, for a planned occasion. 37 cars per day is insignificant and will not be noticed by the community. This also assumes 100% occupancy everyday - an impossibility.

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> 3. The current use as a car park is not desirable for the area and also causes disturbances with people arriving and departing and car doors slamming. Moving this function underground can only be seen as a positive.

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> 4. More short term accommodation is welcome and needed. Freshwater is already transient with daily beach goers, air bnb available throughout and not to mention <https://aus01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffreshwaterholiday.com.au%2F&data=05%7C02%7C%7C9c6b7a54f33d4ca9471108dce44e308c%7C8c5136cbd646431c> which has been operating since 1927 and refurbished in 2008 according to their website. As I understand, Harbord Hotel is proposing the same use, if this operating accommodation has not disturbed the community at all I do not see why Harbord would. I noticed Freshwater holiday apartments was not mentioned once in anyone's objections which seems strange as it is the same use being opposed. I suspect most wouldn't even know it is there.

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> 5. I am not a business owner but I do see Freshwater retail businesses struggling. This proposal will support these businesses and keep the vibrancy alive in the Freshwater village.

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> Thank you for your consideration.

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