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Noise Study

Board of Zoning Adjustment District of Columbia CASE NO.19823 EXHIBIT NO.69C Nghiemchi Van PWC Construction Management 1751 Pinnacle Dr. 6th, Floor McClean, VA 22102

RE: 3920 Alton Place NW Rooftop Mechanical Equipment Review

Dear Ms. Van:

The purpose of this letter is to detail the impact of the rooftop mechanical equipment located at 3920 Alton Place in Washington, D.C, on the surrounding properties. We understand that the current building will be demolished, and in its place will be a new 4-story Sunrise Living facility and church. Additionally, we understand there are concerns that the rooftop equipment will not meet the Washington D.C. noise code.

Noise Code

We understand that the goal of this project is to meet the Washington D.C. noise code. Pursuant to the D.C. Noise Control Act and its implementing regulation in Title 20 of the D.C. Municipal Regulations, Chapter 27, we understand the General Maximum Sound Levels to be the following based on zoning:

| General Maximum Sound Levels | 6 | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Zone | Daytime (7a - 9p) | Nighttime (9p - 7a) |
| Commercial | 65 dB | 60 dB |
| Industrial | 70 dB | 65 dB |
| Residential, Waterfront, Special Use | 60 dB | 55 dB |
| Other Zone | 60 db | 60 db |

Additionally, we note the following about the generator in section 2704, Exemptions, of the D.C. noise control regulations:

| Exemptions (§§ 2702-2704, 2800) | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Source | Maximum Level (in dB) | Times | Measurement Locations |
| Emergency generator equipment | No limit | Any | N/A |
| Emergency generator equipment testing | | Weekdays, 4p to 6:30p | Property line at all other times |

Sound Power Data and Site Conditions

The manufacturer's sound power data for the rooftop units was sent to us by the project team on September 4th, 2018, and are what we have used in our calculations:

| Unit | Noise Level (dBA) |
|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Generator | 84 dBA @ 23' |
| Closed Circuit Cooler | 79 dBA @ 5' |
| OAU 1 | 103 dBA |
| OAU 2 | 87 dBA |
| OAU 3 | 87 dBA |



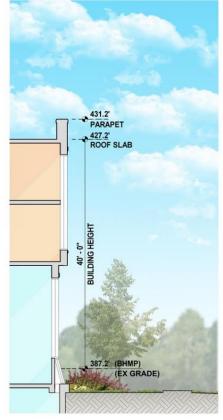
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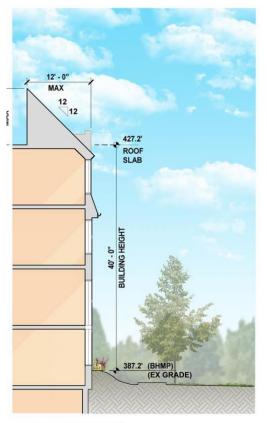
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We note from the site plan that the building site is bordered by Alton Place NW to the north, 39th St. NW to east, Yuma St. NW to the south, and Tenley Circle and Nebraska Ave NW to the west. We anticipate that because the new building will house residents that it will fall into the Residential zone requirements (60 dB daytime, 55 dB nighttime) as detailed in the General Maximum Sound Levels chart above and are the criteria for our acoustical prediction analysis.

We understand that the equipment sits in the middle of a Mansard roof. The roof has a parapet that is 4' tall on the southern perimeter and a 12' tall sloped roof surrounding the remainder of the perimeter of the roof. This condition can be seen in the details below:



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We note that OAUs 2&3 are close enough together to be considered a single source. For our calculations, we added the dBA levels together and used the result to perform a calculation over the 12' roof to the west closest to OAU 2 and an additional calculation over the 4' parapet to the west closest to OAU 3.

Anticipated Noise Levels

Based on our calculations, we anticipate the rooftop equipment to achieve the following noise levels at their respective nearest property lines:

| Unit | Resulting Property Line Noise Level |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Generator | 47 dBA |
| Closed Circuit Cooler | 27 dBA |
| OAU 1 | 25 dBA |
| OAU 2 | 9 dBA |
| OAU 3 | 7 dBA |
| OAU 3 SE Corner | 26 dBA |

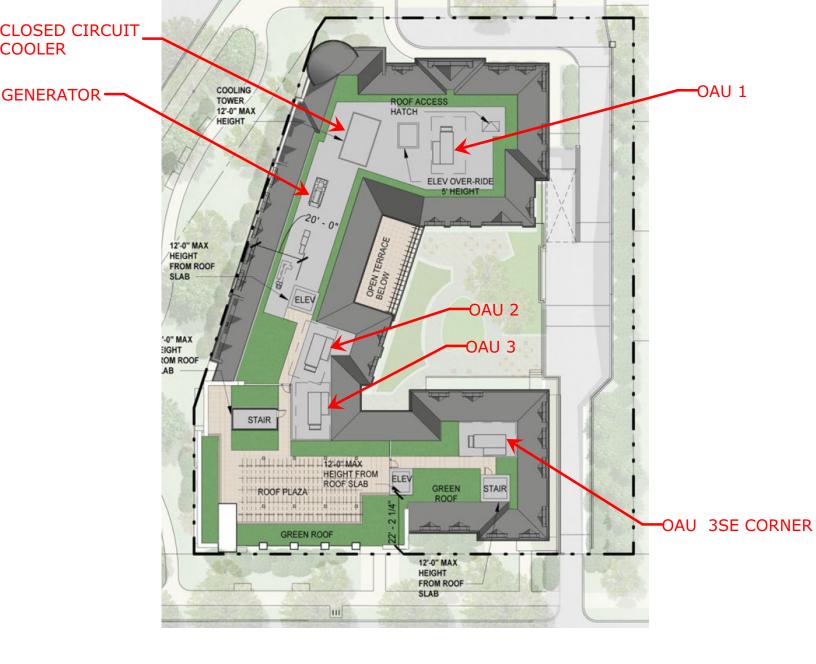
As can be seen from the table above, all equipment will meet the requirements set forth in the D.C. noise control regulations. As such, no additional mitigation is necessary.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have about this memorandum and its contents.

Best Regards,

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Gregory Bacon EIT Associate Shen Milsom & Wilke LLC





LOUDNESS COMPARISON CHART (dBA)

| Common Outdoor Activities | Noise Lev (dBA) | vel Common Indoor Activities |
|---|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Jet Fly-over at 1000 ft | 110 | Rock Band |
| Gas Lawn Mower at 3 ft | 100 | |
| | 90 | Food Blender at 3 ft |
| Diesel Truck at 50 ft at 50 mph | 80 | Garbage Disposal at 3 ft |
| Noisy Urban Area, Daytime | | Vacuum Cleaner at 10 ft |
| Gas Lawn Mower at 100 ft Commercial Area | | Normal Speech at 3 ft |
| Heavy Traffic at 300 ft | | Large Business Office |
| Quiet Urban, Daytime | 50 | Dishwasher Next Room |
| Quiet Urban, Nighttime | | Theater, |
| Quiet Suburban, Nighttime | 40 | Large Conference Room (Background) |
| | (20) | Library |
| Quiet Rural, Nighttime | 30 | Bedroom at Night, |
| | 20 | Concert Hall (Background) |
| | | Broadcast/Recording Studio |
| | (10) | |
| Lowest Threshold of Human Hearing | 0 | Lowest Threshold of Human Hearing |

An increase of 3 dBA is barely perceptible to the human ear.







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| loise Source | Decibel Level | Decibel Effect |
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| Jet take-off (at 25 meters) Recommended product: <u>Outdoor Noise Barriers</u> (http://www.industrialnoisecontrol.com/products/onb-outdoor-noise-barriers) | 150 | Eardrum rupture |
| Aircraft carrier deck | 140 | |
| Military jet aircraft take-off from aircraft carrier with afterburner at 50 ft (130 dB). | 130 | |
| Thunderclap, chain saw. Oxygen torch (121 dB). | 120 | Painful. 32 times as loud as 70 dB. |
| Steel mill, auto horn at 1 meter. Turbo-fan aircraft at takeoff power at 200 ft (118 dB). Riveting machine (110 dB); live rock music (108 - 114 dB). | 110 | Average human pain threshold. 16 times as loud as 70 dB. |
| let take-off (at 305 meters), use of outboard motor, power lawn mower, motorcycle, farm tractor, jackhammer, garbage truck. Boeing 707 or DC-8 aircraft at one nautical mile (6080 ft) before landing (106 dB); jet flyover at 1000 feet (103 dB); Bell J-2A helicopter at 100 ft (100 dB). | 100 | 8 times as loud as 70 dB. Serious damage possible in 8 hr exposure. |
| Boeing 737 or DC-9 aircraft at one nautical mile (6080 ft) before landing (97 dB); power mower (96 dB); motorcycle at 25 ft (90 dB). Newspaper press (97 dB). | 90 | 4 times as loud as 70 dB. Likely damage in 8 hour exposure. |



| Noise Source | Decibel Level | Decibel Effect |
|---|------------------|---|
| Garbage disposal, dishwasher, average factory, freight train (at 15 meters). Car wash at 20 ft (89 dB); propeller plane flyover at 1000 ft (88 dB); diesel truck 40 mph at 50 ft (84 dB); diesel train at 45 mph at 100 ft (83 dB). Food blender (88 dB); milling machine (85 dB); garbage disposal (80 dB). | 80 | 2 times as loud as 70 dB. Possible damage in 8 hour exposure. |
| Passenger car at 65 mph at 25 ft (77 dB); freeway at 50 ft from pavement edge 10 a.m. (76 dB). Living room music (76 dB); radio or TV-audio, vacuum cleaner (70 dB). | 70 | Arbitrary base of comparison. Upper 70s are annoyingly loud to some people. |
| Conversation in restaurant, office, background music, Air conditioning unit at 100 feet. | 60 | Half as loud as 70 dB. Fairly quiet. |
| Quiet suburb, conversation at home. Large electrical transformers at 100 feet. | 50 | One-fourth as loud as 70 dB. |
| Library, bird calls (44 dB); lowest limit of urban ambient sound | 40 | One-eighth as loud as 70 dB. |
| Quiet rural area. | 30 | One-sixteenth as loud as 70 dB. Very Quiet. |
| Whisper, rustling leaves | 20 | |
| Breathing | 10 | Barely audible |
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A noise level chart showing examples of sounds with dB levels ranging from 0 to 180 decibels.

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|-----|----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| 0 | healthy hearing threshold | | |
| 10 | a pin dropping | | |
| 20 | rustling leaves | | |
| 30 | whisper | | |
| 40 | babbling brook | computer | |
| 50 | light traffic | refrigerator | |
| 60 | conversational speech | air conditioner | |
| 70 | shower | dishwasher | |
| 75 | toilet flushing | vacuum cleaner | |
| 80 | alarm clock | garbage disposal | |
| 85 | passing diesel truck | snow blower | |
| 90 | squeeze toy | lawn mower | arc welder |
| 95 | inside subway car | food processor | belt sander |
| 100 | motorcycle (riding) | | handheld drill |
| 105 | sporting event | | table saw |
| 110 | rock band | | jackhammer |
| 115 | emergency vehicle siren | | riveter |
| 120 | thunderclap | | oxygen torch |
| 125 | balloon popping | | |
| 130 | peak stadium crowd noise | | |
| 135 | air raid siren | | |
| 140 | jet engine at takeoff | | |
| 145 | firecracker | | |
| 150 | fighter jet launch | | |
| 155 | cap gun | | |
| 160 | shotgun | | |
| 165 | .357 magnum revolver | | |
| 170 | safety airbag | | |
| 175 | howitzer cannon | | |
| 180 | rocket launch | | |
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Most noise levels are given in <u>dBA</u>, which are decibels adjusted to reflect the ear's response to different frequencies of sound. Sudden, brief impulse sounds, like many of those shown at 120 dB or greater, are often given in dB (no adjustment).

Noise Chart

Specifics about the measurement of a particular sound source can be found in the <u>Noise</u> <u>Navigator® Sound Level Database, E-A-R 88-34/HP, by Elliott H Berger, Rick Neitzel,</u> and <u>Cynthia A Kladden, E-A-RCAL Laboratory, 3M Occupational Health & Environmental</u> <u>Safety Division</u>, an extensive compilation of data on noise level measurements, including many of the values appearing on this chart.

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