

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I have resided across the street from the Stuart since August 3, 2016; my apartment building is located at 729 South Union Avenue. My apartment's windows open onto the Stuart's entrance and I have full view of everything that happens in front of it. I constantly observe police cars, fire trucks and ambulances arrive at the Stuart, often disturbing my sleep with lights and sirens. At the Stuart's entrance, I see residents and guests conduct open drug deals, prostitutes argue with their clients or pimps, random fights explode over turf, and taggers spray paint the Stuart's walls. My entire apartment vibrates as cars booming loud music pull up to the Stuart, idle for a few minutes as someone exits the hotel, runs over to the car, then returns back into the hotel as the car peels out. Contrary to what the Stuart's desk clerk told the City's Planning staff, I have never observed any security patrol outside the Stuart—not from Calloway Private Security Service or anywhere else. These conditions have persisted ever since I moved into the neighborhood to the date of this letter, despite the Stuart's supposed change of management. I swear under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. The Stuart Hotel is a public nuisance. I implore you to impose Condition no. 5 and require 24-hour State-licensed on-site security at the Stuart Hotel—not just on-call security!