MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA AND WCB HOSPITALITY, LLC

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ("Agreement") is made and entered into this _____day of November 2020, by and between the CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA (the "City") and WCB HOSPITALITY, LLC ("WCB"), for a Public Art Project ("Project").

WHEREAS, WCB owns the hotel operating under the brand name "Hotel Indigo" located at 21 W. 14th Street;

WHEREAS, Hotel Indigo is an approximately \$30 million, 7-story hotel expected to open by the end of 2020 and adjacent to the 14th Street Roundabout; and

WHEREAS, WCB desired to improve the center of 14th Street Roundabout by adding public art and additional hardscape and landscape all in accordance with the Public Art Policy adopted by Council on October 27, 2020, Resolution No. 335-20.

NOW THEREFORE, in order to carry out the public purposes as set forth above, the City and WCB hereby agrees as follows:

1. <u>City's Obligations</u>.

(a) The City agrees to allow WCB to utilize the center of the 14th Street Roundabout to add public art and additional hardscape and landscape.

(b) The City shall approve the plans and design of the proposed artwork prior to the start of the Project.

- 2. WCB's Obligations.
 - (a) WCB will be fully responsible for the financial requirements of this Project.
 - (b) WCB will be required to provide a traffic plan to the City Manager and the Engineering Department and get all necessary permits needed if any lane closure(s), closure/obstruction of the sidewalk area, and/or use of the right of way are required.
 - (c) Should the Project not be executed in accordance with the approved concept and plans, WCB will agree to remove the non-compliant artistic material at its own expense within three business days.
 - (d) WCB is responsible for all maintenance of the artwork during the period this

Agreement is in effect.

(e) WCB will be required to coordinate with adjoining property owners/businesses in the immediate area.

(f) WCB will obtain waiver(s) from any participant(s) working on the wall releasing the City and WCB from any and all claims that may accrue due to personal injury or due to loss, destruction, or vandalism to the art or the wall, and such waivers shall be filed with the City Manager.

3. <u>Cooperation</u>. The parties will cooperate with each other in good faith in pursuing the completion of the undertakings of the parties hereunder.

4. <u>Governing Law</u>. This Agreement and the rights and obligations of the parties hereto (including third party beneficiaries) shall be governed, construed, and interpreted according to the laws of the State of Georgia.

5. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement expresses the entire understanding and agreement between the parties hereto.

6. <u>Severability</u>. The invalidity of any one or more phrases, sentences, clauses, or sections contained in this Agreement shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement or any part thereof.

7. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original, and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

8. <u>Amendments in Writing</u>. No waiver, amendment, release, or modification of this Agreement shall be established by conduct, custom, or course of dealing, but solely by an instrument in writing executed by the parties hereto.

9. <u>Notices</u>. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, any notices, demands, approvals, consents, requests, and other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed given when the writing is delivered in person or three (3) days after being mailed, if mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, to the City or WCB, at the addresses shown below or at such other addresses as may be furnished by the City or WCB in writing from time to time:

City:	Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia 100 Tenth Street (Zip 31901) P.O. Box 1340 Columbus, Georgia 31902 Attention: City Manager
With a copy to:	City Attorney P.O. Box 1340

Columbus, Georgia 31902

WCB: WCB Hospitality, LLC 1017 Front Avenue Columbus, Georgia 31901

10. <u>Limitation of Rights</u>. Nothing in this Agreement express or implied, shall give to any person, other than the parties hereto and their successors and assigns hereunder, any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under this Agreement.

11. <u>Term of the Agreement</u>. This Agreement will remain in effect for 1 year from the date first written above and can be renewed for four (4) additional one-year periods with the written approval of both parties. The City reserves the right to terminate this Agreement upon sixty (60) days written notice.

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Date Signed:_____By___

Isaiah Hugley, City Manager

Attest

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

Approval as to Form:

Clifton C. Fay, City Attorney

Date Signed:_____

_By__

Pace M. Halter, President WCB HOSPITALITY, LLC

Attest_____

Corporate Counsel