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AVIA names general manager

LodgeWorks, the Wichita, Kan.-based hotel development and management company that recently launched the AVIA collection of boutique hotels, has appointed new leadership for its fourth AVIA property, AVIA The Woodlands, located in Market Street. David Brown has taken the helm as general manager, and Suzanne Deliganis is now director of sales. The announcement coincides with the completion of the AVIA The Woodlands model suites, open by appointment only.

BROWN

Brown brings more than 20 years of management experience in the field of hospitality and operational management. Before joining the LodgeWorks team, Brown served as Choice Hotels International's director of brand performance for its extended-stay division. He began his career with Marriott Corporation and then joined Summerfield Hotel Corporation as the general manager of two Summerfield Suites in the Atlanta area.

Deliganis has more than two decades of sales experience, a majority of which comes from the Houston area directly. She began her career as the associate director of sales for Continental Plaza Hotels & Resorts, where she was responsible for room revenue production from the United States and Canada for 32 hotels in Mexico. She later handled sales at such Houston

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properties as the Wyndham Greenspoint, Houston Airport Marriott, Sheraton North Houston, Omni Houston, Hotel Zaza Houston and, most recently, the Alden Houston, a luxury boutique hotel located downtown.

With 70 rooms and suites, AVIA The Woodlands will anchor Market Street – The Woodlands when it opens later this year. For more information, visit www.aviahotels.com.

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