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Date: 1/24/2013 1:01 PM
Subject: Proposed Lease extension: St. Croix Motor Museum
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Good afternoon Azola,

Good talking to you again this morning.

Attached find my initial letter to Mr. Deviliers of Department Public Works- Architectural Division dated 28 September 2012.

Everything is self explanatry but on the interim I was advised by Colonel Botha of the SAPS that he was offered the premisis of my Museum by the local offices of DPW.

Please try and raise this urgent matter with the Minister of Art and Culture as per our telephonic conversation.

It seems to me that this matter cools down to who-ever I send it to. Show your steel and get some results for me please!

Kind regards

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From: REGINA ISAACS
To: Adrian de Villiers
Date: 1/29/2013 7:58 AM
Subject: RE: ENQUIRY: ST CROIX MOTOR MUSEUM 3/3/8/4/3/1

Dear Adrian

Best wishes to you for 2013.

The matter at the St Croix Motor Museum has escalated to the extent where it seems that the pressure is on Mr de Vos to relocate the museum. Please advise whether you have made any progress following our request and the letter of support we drafted in the hope that the museum would be allowed to continue operating from its current location.

I have over the past two days tried to call you and hope that you would respond to my e-mail.

Regards

Regina

>>> "Adrian de Villiers" <Adrian.DeVilliers@dpw.gov.za> 10/5/2012 4:35 PM >>>
Thanks Regina

Keep well

Regards

A. de Villiers

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From: REGINA ISAACS [<mailto:RISAACS@sahra.org.za>]
Sent: 05 October 2012 04:11 PM
To: Adrian de Villiers
Cc: Nolitha Ngcai; AZOLA MKOSANA; DUMISANI SIBAYI; NOLITHA NGCAI
Subject: RE: ENQUIRY: ST CROIX MOTOR MUSEUM 3/3/8/4/3/1

Dear Adrian

Please see letter attached, as requested.

Regards

Regina

>>> "Adrian de Villiers" <Adrian.DeVilliers@dpw.gov.za> 10/5/2012 9:26 AM >>>
Dear Regina

Please could you provide to us a letter from SAHRA of motivation that the St Croix museum be allowed to stay on the premises due to etc etc.

Many thanks.

Regards

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From: REGINA ISAACS [mailto:RISAACS@sahra.org.za]
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To: Adrian de Villiers
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Subject: RE: ENQUIRY: ST CROIX MOTOR MUSEUM 3/3/8/4/3/1

Dear Adrian

I am pleased that you are giving this matter attention and I sincerely hope that the solution would be to retain the museum. SAHRA would be happy to forward a letter supporting the museum's existence in its current location.

Regards

Regina

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>>> "Adrian de Villiers" <Adrian.DeVilliers@dpw.gov.za> 9/27/2012 2:40 PM >>>

Dear Regina

I will see I can do, but the mechanics are complex.

It is first and foremost the Department's mandate to provide our client Departments like SAPS with property. However I fully agree the present activities of car wrecking on the site are inappropriate in that particular precinct and more importantly, the Museum serves a fundamental role in the heritage and education realm of PE and further afield, which should not be lost. My motivation to the DPW Director General will be to extend the lease period for the Museum, with secondary criteria included such as defining various rights the Museum has on this servitude type land portion. To reinforce the argument, I may request of you next week to please furnish me with SAHRA's concern and their support for Museum.

I await documentation which Mr Eben de Vos will send me next week.

Many thanks

Regards

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From: REGINA ISAACS [<mailto:RISAACS@sahra.org.za>]
Sent: 26 September 2012 12:27 PM
To: Adrian de Villiers
Subject: RE: ENQUIRY: ST CROIX MOTOR MUSEUM 3/3/8/4/3/1

Dear Adrian

Thank you for your reply. The owner is Mr de Vos and he is contact able on 0834635286.

I am happy that you are following up on this matter.

Regards

Regina
>>> "Adrian de Villiers" <Adrian.DeVilliers@dpw.gov.za> 9/26/2012 12:08 PM >>>
Morning Regina

Could you put me in touch with the owner of the Museum and provide contact details. I need to know who the relevant SAPS officials are that he deals with.
The DPW machinery is very large and complex and I will have to weed my way through countless spider webs before I get to any type of person who actually may know something about the building.

Thanks

Regards

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From: REGINA ISAACS [<mailto:RISAACS@sahra.org.za>]
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Subject: ENQUIRY: ST CROIX MOTOR MUSEUM 3/3/8/4/3/1

Dear Adrian

I trust that you are well.

I am pleased to have made contact with you on the phone today.

I have received a letter of concern from the owner of the St Croix Motor Museum in Port Elizabeth who has had a lease agreement with Public Works for 25 years. He has maintained the building and has an impressive collection of motor cars of heritage value.

In a letter addressed to the owner, PWD stipulates that the lease expires in March 2013 and cannot be renewed due to the operational requirements of various client departments. The implication is that the cars of heritage value that has been conserved according to best practice would have to be relocated to new premises or the collection would have to be dispersed. In the case of either option, it is going to be a costly exercise and the museum which is a landmark in PE visited by many locals and foreigners alike, would be lost to those with an interest. In addition, if the collection is dispersed and or sold, a sterling collection that has many historically unique cars, could be lost to South Africa and future generations. Therefore, it would be appreciated if you could please investigate this matter and motivate why it is essential that the current owner's lease could be renewed.

I look forward to your urgent response.

Yours sincerely

Regina Isaacs

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