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Dear Sir/Madam

Heritage Impact Assessment for the relocation of the South African Defence Force Soldiers' Memorial from Fort Klapperkop to the Voortrekker Monument Site in Pretoria, Gauteng

1. The above-mentioned report was further discussed by the PHRA-G Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) Committee on Friday, 05 September 2014.
2. The following documents were reviewed by the Committee:
 - a) Letter from the City of Tshwane dated 13 May 2014
 - b) Letter from the City of Tshwane dated 04 August 2014
 - c) Conservation Management Plan of the SADF Memorial Complex on the Voortrekker Monument Heritage Site, Pretoria
 - d) A Cultural Heritage Management Plan for the Klapperkop Nature Reserve, City of Tshwane
 - e) Addendum to Cultural Management Plan...
 - f) Public Participation Process Report: Relocation of the Soldiers' Memorial...
 - g) Fort Klapperkop document
3. And the following recommendations, which must be adhered to, were made on each submitted document (as according to the above sequence):

- a) The letter has been noted even at the previous meeting (21 May 2014).
- b) Letter from City of Tshwane's Heritage Unit, giving approval has also been noted.
- c) You are kindly requested to engage the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA), due to the fact that the place/site where the statue is proposed to be moved to is very close to the Voortrekker Monument Site that is of National significance. Please send us the feedback from SAHRA. Please also note that more detail would be required e.g. the exact scales, impact and visual impressions related to the final proposal.
- d) The submitted management plan (dated 2013) was found irrelevant for the following reasons:
 - The management plan was found to be not talking about the actual site where the troopie statue is placed, but certain other elements e.g. Fort Klapperkop.
 - The report itself states that 'should there be any new impact' as is the case now, the site should be re-evaluated.'
 - It was also realised that the report is mainly about the Klapperkop Nature Reserve and not specifically addressing the Fort Klapperkop site and troopie statue.
- e) The Addendum report, should be standing on its own (not being an Addendum) and should refer to other reports where necessary. However, the committee agrees with the report and, if approved, would prefer specifically Option 2 instead of Option 1.
- f) The Public participation report looked detailed, and both positive and negative supporting documents were noted.
 - However, the Committee requests the applicant to explain what steps were taken to address the negative comments/objectors and if nothing was done, you are therefore asked to address the specific issues raised by those that are against the proposed development. Please submit the report on this.
- g) The Committee accepted the report; however the developer must be the one paying for it and not the City of Tshwane.
 - Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act 25: 1999, states that the developer must be responsible for the reports/studies as requested by the heritage authority. Approval can however only be granted after agreement has been reached by the committee on additional aspects requested and outlined in this letter.

4. Please note that also the impact on both sites' characters must be clearly elaborated and also how that can be mitigated.

5. The requested information will assist the Committee in making an informed decision. Also please note that nothing can be done on both sites until such time that a formal permit has been issued by the Provincial Heritage Resources Authority – Gauteng (PHRA-G).

Kind Regards



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For the Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) Committee
Provincial Heritage Resources Authority – Gauteng (PHRA-G)