

# MEMORANDUM / IPW REQUEST



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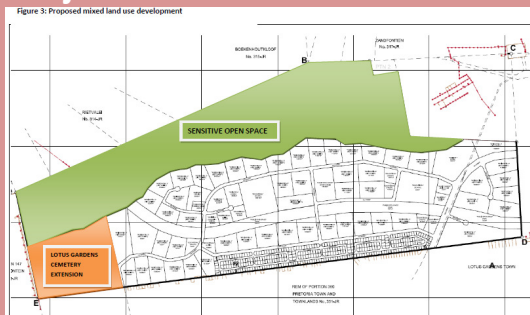
APELSER ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONSULTING

## Attention

Mr. A. Pelser

Subject

Appointment Letter Archeological Assessment and Excavations on Iron Age Archeological Sites at the Development Area is commonly known as Fort West:



- The Remainder of the farm Broek Scheur R/318 JR;
- Portion 226 of the farm Pretoria and Townlands 351 JR;

## 1. PURPOSE

This letter serves to confirm your appointment by Arengo 6 Consulting Engineers for the Fort West Mixed Housing Development funded by the Gauteng Department of Local Government and Housing: Tshwane Region. Apelser Archeological Consulting will undertake the Archaeological Assessment (including Archaeological Mapping & Excavation of a stone walled Late Iron Age settlement) that will be impacted upon by the Fort West Mixed Housing Development Project. It is approximately 389 ha in size and comprises of two farm Portions namely:

- The Remainder of the farm Broek Scheur R/318 JR;
- Portion 226 of the farm Pretoria and Townlands 351 JR and surrounding precinct.

## 2. BACKGROUND

The Department had issued IPWs to Arengo6 to undertake the following in the Fortwest area:

- Engineering Services Investigations
- Traffic Impact Study
- Geotechnical Report Phase 1
- Environmental Impact Assessment
- Lay Out Plan Submission
- Layout Plan Approval
- Urban Design Framework
- Ecological and Heritage Impact Assessment

The studies were undertaken and some reports have been submitted to the sub-region.



#### 4. SCOPE OF WORK

In accordance with Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), an independent heritage consultant was appointed by the PRT to conduct a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) to determine if any sites, features or objects of cultural heritage significance occur within the boundaries of the area where it is planned to develop the mixed use township facility.

- **Seven areas containing stone walled settlements dating to the Late Iron Age were identified in the study area.** There is a very high likelihood that there would be an impact on the various sites, either direct during construction, or afterwards, with residents removing material or the stone walls for other use. It is therefore recommended That these sites are archaeologically investigated (mapped, photographed and excavated) prior to development taking place. This can only be done by a qualified Archaeologist with a permit from SAHRA.

Henceforth, an Archaeological Assessment is required for the proposed Fort West Township development, prior to the commencement of construction activities on site, and to secure environmental authorization for the site.

**(Attached herewith are comments from the National Heritage Resource)**



## 5. DETAILED MILESTONE DESCRIPTIONS

The following is the detailed milestone descriptions of a detailed Archeological and Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) studies towards the development of Fortwest.

- A detailed Archeological and Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) to determine if any sites, features or objects of cultural heritage significance occur within the boundaries of the area where it is planned to develop the mixed use township facility

## 6. RECOMMENDATIONS

The following is recommended, that:

- 6.1 The South African Heritage Resources Agency give you permission and obtain the required Excavation Permit to perform a detailed Archeological and Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) investigative study for possible mixed housing development with mixed tenure options in the area.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further details.

Sincerely

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**E. Raboroko**  
**Chief Executive Officer**