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**RE: AMAFA FINDINGS for THE PROPOSED SINATHING LOW-  
COST HOUSING DEVELOPMENT (EDTEA Ref No  
DC22/0016/2022)**

This letter serves to confirm that a presentation for the above-mentioned project was done to AMAFA Heritage Officers' Committee Meeting on Wednesday, 24 May 2023 (See section 10.6 of the attached agenda), and there were no objections on the project from the committee. We also confirm that the implementing agent will abide with any other conditions that will accompany the final comments letter from AMAFA. The implementing agent will also take cognisance of the following:

- 1) Any existing grave/graveyard will be respected, and shall not be disturbed
- 2) Should there be any individual graves in people's yards, these will be incorporated into the relative's site, through guidance of the family members and no disturbance of such graves will be permitted.

**3)** If an unidentified grave is disturbed or must be moved, then section 5 of the draft KwaZulu-Natal & Research Institute regulation of 2021 will be followed.

**4)** For any chance heritage finds, all work must cease in the area affected and the Contractor must immediately inform the Project Manager. A heritage specialist must be called to site to inspect the finding/s. The relevant heritage resource agency (the Institute) must be informed about the finding/s

**5.** The specialist will assess the significance of the resource/s and provide guidance on the way forward.

**6.** Permits must be obtained from the Institute if heritage resources are to be removed, destroyed or altered.

**7.** Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed or removed from the project site unless under direction of a heritage specialist.

**8.** Should any recent remains be found on site that could potentially be human remains, the South African Police Service as well as the Institute must be contacted. No SAPS official may remove remains (recent or not) until the correct permit/s have been obtained.

We recommend that a Project Steering Committee (PSC) be formed prior to project commencement. The PSC must include both traditional and political leaders of Sinathingi. This will help with smooth running of the project and identification and handling of any identified graves.

We hope you will find the supplied information to be in order but should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully



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