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## Final Comment

### In terms of Section 38(4), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

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### **The proposed 7,935 hectare construction of the residential development and related infrastructure of Derdepoortpark Extension 44 on Portions 426 and 679 of the Farm Derdepoort 326-JR, City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province**

Exigent Engineering Consultants CC was appointed as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) by Zotec Developments (Pty) Ltd to undertake the required Environmental Authorisation Process for the development of Derdepoort X44 Residential Township Development. The proposed 7,935 hectare construction of the residential development and related infrastructure of Derdepoortpark Extension 44 on Portions 426 and 679 of the Farm Derdepoort 326-JR, City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province. The proposed construction of the residential development and related infrastructure consists of around 560 units with a density of 65 units/ hectare on Portion 426 and 679 on the Farm Derdepoort 362-JR.

Beyond Heritage (Pty) Ltd was appointed to conduct a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) for the project and the study area was assessed on a desktop level and by a non-intrusive pedestrian field survey.

*Van der Walt, 2023. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Construction of a Residential Development and Related Infrastructure: Derdepoortpark Extension 44 on Portions 426 and 679 of the Farm Derdepoort 326-Jr, Portion 426 and 679 of Derdepoort, City of Tshwane (COT) Metropolitan Municipality.*

The project area is on a highly disturbed property with extremely overgrown vegetation across the entire area. The vegetation includes thickets of trees and overgrown grass and weeds. An active construction site is situated on the northern edge of the proposed project area against the R513. The eastern edge consists of a small unnamed tar road. The western edge of the proposed project area runs along the M15.

Currently, the project area shows signs of past construction and development that has since been broken

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down. Multiple modern ruins are scattered across the proposed project area. These ruins are marked DP001 however are not considered to be heritage sites. Also noted, are areas of illegal dumping within the project area along the major access routes. Currently, the proposed development area is vacant, except for an informal soccer field and a few isolated tents used as informal shelters and the site is not fenced.

SAHRA notes that the HIA field survey indicated no heritage sites or artefacts of significance were noted or identified, and that no burial grounds and graves were noted or identified due to the vegetative overgrowth. The project area is a fallow area which had multiple structures present until 1995 when all structures were demolished, therefore there are no existing structures in the project area which are older than 60 years. A previously identified Early Iron Age site that contained pottery, stone tools, tuyère pipe fragments and slag was found to be damaged by possible mechanical clearing. While the clearing was comprehensive, some subsurface material may be present.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

- Implementation of the Chance Find Procedure for the project as outlined under Section 10.2 of the HIA.
- Archaeological monitoring of earthworks during the construction phase of the Early Iron Age Location identified in the Van der Walt (2007) report.
- A review of the SAHRA Palaeontological significance map indicates the area having a insignificant/zero paleontological significance, therefore no further Palaeontological studies are required.

## Final Comment

The following comments are made as a requirement in terms of section 3(4) of the NEMA Regulations and section 38(8) of the NHRA in the format provided in section 38(4) of the NHRA and must be included in the Final BAR and EMP:

- 38(4)a – The SAHRA Development Applications Unit (DAU) has no objections to the proposed development;

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- 38(4)b – The recommendations provided by the heritage specialists are supported and must be adhered to. Further additional specific conditions are provided for the development as follows:
- Monitoring report of the recommended archaeological monitoring by an archaeologist must be submitted to SAHRA once the construction phase is completed. If archaeological artefacts are uncovered, work must stop and a permit in terms of section 35(4) of the NHRA must be applied for before further work may continue in that area;
- 38(4)c(i) – If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g. remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, charcoal and ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed development, SAHRA DAU (Annlin Matabane/Natasha Higgitt 021 202 8660) must be alerted as per section 35(3) of the NHRA. Non-compliance with this section of the NHRA is an offence in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule;
- 38(4)c(ii) – If unmarked human burials are uncovered, the SAHRA DAU (Annlin Matabane/Natasha Higgitt 021 202 8660), must be alerted immediately as per section 36(6) of the NHRA. Non-compliance with this section of the NHRA is an offence in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule;
- 38(4)d – See section 51(1) of the NHRA;
- 38(4)e – The following conditions apply with regards to the appointment of specialists:
  - i) If heritage resources are uncovered during the course of the development, a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contracted as soon as possible to inspect the heritage resource. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required subject to permits issued by SAHRA;
  - The Final BAR and EMPR must be submitted to the SAHRIS Case for record purposes;
  - The decision regarding the EA Application must be communicated to SAHRA and uploaded to the SAHRIS Case application.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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**ADMIN:**

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**Terms & Conditions:**

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.