Alterations to Upper Cableway Station, Table Mountain

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Final Comment

In terms of Section 8(2) [Sec 34(1)] of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mr Frederik Saaiman Vermeulen

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Section 27 Permit application for proposed alterations to the Upper Station building of the Table Mountain Aerial Cableway, Cape Farms 850 and 1068, Cape Town, Western Cape

Thank you for submitting your application for a statutory comment from the Built Environment Unit on SAHRIS. The application is for proposed alterations to the Upper Station building of the Table Mountain Aerial Cableway, Cape Farms 850 and 1068, Cape Town, Western Cape under Section 8(2)[Sec 34(1)] of National Heritage Resources Act. The application was reviewed by the South African Heritage Resources Agency, (SAHRA) Built Environment Unit. The application was reviewed using the documents below and plans which form part of the application submitted by the applicant.

- · Covering letter.pdf
- SAHRA revised Submission 12.04.2019.pdf
- SANParks Endorsement Letter.pdf
- · Aerial and Lease Areas.jpg
- SG Noting Sheet M4489.jpg
- Building Plans.pdf
- Section_Elev.pdf
- Site Photos.jpgBP.00.01 Plans_Rev.1.pdf

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SAHRA revised Submission 12.04.2019.pdf

Existing Photos.jpg

Before and After Montages.jpg

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Table Mountain National Park is proclaimed Provincial Heritage Site but has also been identified as a Grade I site. While the cableway buildings have some architectural significance, they are not intact or of outstanding significance and have the capacity to accommodate the change. The proposed minor alterations will (a) improve the movement of trolleys and arriving visitors from the cable cars and (b) improve the views to and from the First Floor coffee bar and terrace. The proposed work will be confined to the 1997 (MLH Architects) layer of the building. Whilst some of the existing walls will be replaced with transparent materials, the overall wall-dominated architecture will be retained, and the materials of the balustrades will match the existing dark materials that prevail here. (F. Vermeulen; March 2019)

SAHRA Built Environment Unit has no objection to the proposed alterations to the Upper Station building of the Table Mountain Aerial Cableway, Cape Farms 850 and 1068, Cape Town, Western Cape on the understanding that all applicable heritage conservation principles are adhered to as set out in the application. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the SAHRA Built Environment Unit Manager, Mr Ben Mwasinga at bmwasinga@sahra.org.za or Mr Gcobani Sipoyo, Heritage Officer at gsipoyo@sahra.org.za and Ms Palmira de Almeida at pdealmeida@sahra.org.za.

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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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.