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In terms of Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

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CERTAIN PART OF REMAINDER OF PORTION 35 (UNREGISTERED PORTION 142), FARM WATERKLOOF 378-JR (PROPOSED MONUMENT PARK EXTENSION 16).

Pelser, A. February 2020. Motivation For Exemption From Full Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment – Proposed Monument Park Student Housing Establishment On A Portion Of The Remainder Of Portion 35 Of The Farm Waterkloof 378JR, City Of Tshwane.

Butler, E. February 2020 Palaeontological Impact Assessment For The Proposed Monument Park Student Housing Establishment

The proposed development entails the establishment of student housing (the so-called Monument Park Student Housing Project) on a portion of the Remainder of Portion 35 of the original farm Waterkloof 378JR.

The archaeological exemption request states that the area would have been utilized in the historical past for agricultural purposes, while recent urban & other development activities would also have impacted on any archaeological or historical sites, features or material that might have been present in the area. Aerial images of the area show the flat, open and disturbed nature of the area and the likelihood of any sites, features or material of cultural heritage significance being present is very slim. A walk-through in the area also did not find any traces of sites or features or material of cultural heritage nature.

A palaeontological field survey of the development footprint revealed no visible evidence of fossiliferous outcrops was found. For this reason, an overall low palaeontological sensitivity is allocated by the specialist, to the development footprint. The scarcity of fossil heritage at the proposed development footprint indicates that the impact of the proposed development will be of a low significance in palaeontological terms.

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In terms of archaeological and palaeontological heritage, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objections to this proposed development, provided that the recommendations in the specialist reports and this comment are adhered to, and in addition, on the following conditions

- A palaeontological chance find procedure as part of the Environmental Management Programme must be included.
- If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments and charcoal/ash concentrations) or palaeontological remains are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, based on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.

If any unmarked human burials are uncovered and the archaeologist called in to inspect the finds and/or the police find them to be heritage graves, mitigation may be necessary and the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit must be contacted for processes to follow.

Should the project be granted Environmental Authorisation, SAHRA must be notified and all relevant documents submitted to the case on SAHRIS.

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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(, Ref: Monument Park Extension 16)

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.