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Final Comment

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

Attention: Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality - Human Settlement Department

The old ERPM Mine Village is located north-west of the Boksburg CBD and is situated 1.5 km from the Boksburg Civic Centre. It is located in the triangle formed by Rondebult Road (R21) on the eastern boundary and Commissioner Street (M46) as the southern boundary.

Van der Walt, J. May 2012. Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Development of the ERPM Mine Village, Boksburg, Gauteng

Theron, G. May 2018. Comet Extension 17 (Comet Village) –Phase 2 HIA Report

The proposed development entails development of approximately 4000 new residential dwellings within the old ERPM Mine Village in Boksburg. The proposed project is located on the farm Driefontein 85-IR, Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality, Gauteng Province.

The archaeological assessment revealed no sites or significant archaeological material.

The general mitigation measures for the study area in the Phase 2 report are listed as:

- a) Prior identification and recording of the all the significant features, finishes, fittings and contents in the existing buildings, and assessment of their vulnerability during construction. This should include for instance the recording of historic doors which are vulnerable to damage if left in situ or carelessly removed and stored.
- b) Permanent or temporary removal off site of loose or vulnerable items.
- c) Preparation of a schedule of protection works to preserve or secure items and finishes remaining in situ during construction.
- d) Preparation of a schedule of protection measures to the exteriors and interiors of the buildings to be put in place before the enabling and investigation works during design stage or before the construction operations. Ensuring the responsible contractor understands the significance and vulnerabilities of the building structures, constructions, features and finishes prior to starting the work to avoid overloading or inappropriate storage or

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construction activities.

- e) Use of appropriate heritage related construction methods for the modification and refurbishment works.
- f) New underground services are proposed should be subjected to an archaeological scan after the tranches are dug and should be conducted in construction phase.
- g) The need for archaeological investigation and subsequent impact assessment due to the new underground services should be reassessed if any archaeological artefacts are founding the service tranches.
- h) If considered necessary, appropriate mitigation measures should be provided.

Final Comment

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 on the following conditions:

- No palaeontological studies are required however a protocol for finds is required.
- 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.

Please note that comments and decisions relating to Built Environment structures and features must be obtained from the Gauteng Provincial Heritage Resources Authority.

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.