### Salvokop X 4 Township Establishment

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## **Final Comment**

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

Attention: Department of Public Works 256 Madiba Street Pretoria 0001

It is the intent of the applicant to establish a mixed township development. The focus of the Salvokop study area is to develop it as a central business node, where inner city regeneration can be promoted, anchored by government departments and agencies head offices. The project has been registered with The National Department of Environmental Affairs (Ref. No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/590). All buildings of heritage value have been excluded from the development proposal.

Pelser, A. November 2013. 2nd Basic Heritage Impact For The Salvokop Township Establishment On The Remainder Of Portion 406 Of The Farm Pretoria Town And Townlands 351JR Salvokop, Tshwane, Gauteng

The proposed development entails a township establishment and associated infrastructure, located on the remaining extent of Portion 406 of the farm Pretoria Town & Townlands 351JR (known as the Salvokop precinct) between Potgieter Street and the Pretoria Station and south of the Pretoria CBD. The total area is approximately 79 hectares in size, with 71 ha of these earmarked for the township establishment. The larger area include the around 9 ha that will be used for the New Stats SA Head Office building.

The author states that the Salvokop Precinct has high cultural heritage significance and includes many structures that are older than 60 years of age and that are protected by the National Heritage Resources Act. This include the NZASM Heritage Village or NZASM Court.

The author recommends that an Architectural Historian must be appointed to conduct a detailed Heritage Impact Assessment in Salvokop. In depth social consultation will also have to be undertaken with identified Interested & Affected Parties before any decision is made on the preservation or demolition of any structures in the area.

No archaeological heritage resources were documented. No palaeontological assessment was submitted.

### **Final Comment**

Since no archaeological heritage resources were identified, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objection to the development, in terms of archaeological heritage resources.

Although the SA Fossil Sensitivity map indicates that parts of the study area has high possible fossil sensitivity, considering the already-disturbed nature of the study area and the nature of the proposed development,



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further palaeontological studies are not required.

If archaeological or any other heritage resources are found during construction activities, SAHRA and an archaeologist/palaeontologist depending on the nature of the find must be alerted immediately. If the newly uncovered heritage resource is considered significant a rescue excavation may be required. The specialist will require a valid permit from the responsible heritage authority.

Comments relating to the numerous significant Built Environment resources in the study area 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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Heritage Officer: Archaeology

South African Heritage Resources Agency

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Direct URL to case: http://www.sahra.org.za/node/183155

(DEA, Ref: Ref. No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/590)

### Terms & Conditions:

- 1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for
- 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.

