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October 4, 2019

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Re: REVISED Determination of Effects Associated with Residential Stage III of the Beecher Terrace Redevelopment Project

Dear Cynthia:

Thank you for your letter and enclosed information concerning REVISED Stage III of the Beecher Terrace Redevelopment Project, received via e-mail September 17, 2019. The Beecher Terrace Redevelopment Project is a multi-stage undertaking, and consultation with our office is structured through a Programmatic Agreement (PA) that went into effect June 15, 2018. The PA acknowledged that Stage I of the Beecher Terrace Redevelopment project resulted in an adverse effect to the Beecher Terrace Historic District. Likewise, Stage I included an adverse effect to 15Jf923, the archaeological component of the Beecher Terrace Historic District. Adverse effects resulting from Stage I were addressed through a Letter of Resolution (LOR) enacted August 15, 2018. The mitigation measures outlined in the LOR for Stage I are currently underway. In our response letter for Beecher Terrace Stage II on September 10, 2018 and in our response letter for (original) Beecher Terrace Stage III on December 3, 2018, our office recommended that no additional adverse effects to the Beecher Terrace Historic District (and adjacent NRHP-Eligible and NRHP-Listed resources) or 15Jf923 would result.

We understand based on your revised submission that REVISED Stage III of the Beecher Terrace Redevelopment Project includes the construction of Multi-Family units consisting of 23 buildings (185 total units); we understand that only the 43-unit building on 9th street will be 4 stories and that the remainder of the buildings will be 2-3 stories - a comparable scale to surrounding and former buildings at Beecher Terrace. We feel that the proposed design, scale, massing, setbacks, and materials of the proposed new construction are appropriate and that the siting of the taller, 4-story building on the larger arterial 9th Street with similarly-scaled buildings is also an appropriate choice. As a result, our office recommends that REVISED Stage III of this project will result in no additional adverse effects either to the Beecher Terrace Historic District, Church of our Merciful Savior (JFWR-1752) to the south of the REVISED Phase III APE, or to 15Jf923.

If the project design or boundaries change, this office should be consulted to determine the nature and extent of additional documentation that may be needed. In the event of the unanticipated discovery of an archaeological site or object of antiquity, the discovery should be reported to the Kentucky Heritage Council and to the Kentucky Office of State Archaeology in the Anthropology Department at the University of Kentucky in accordance with KRS 164.730.

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In the event that human remains are encountered during project activities, all work should be immediately stopped in the area and the area cordoned off, and in accordance with KRS 72.020 the county coroner and local law enforcement must be contacted immediately. Upon confirmation that the human remains are not of forensic interest, the unanticipated discovery must be reported to the Kentucky Heritage Council.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact Chris Gunn of my staff at 502-892-3615 or chris.gunn@ky.gov. For aboveground questions, feel free to contact Jennifer Ryall of my staff at 502-892-3619 or jennifer.ryall@ky.gov.

Sincerely,



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