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Subject: Section 106 Process - Downtown Motor Hotel

Dear Mr. Clinco,

Thank you for your correspondence dated December 22, 2014 concerning the Section 106 Process for the Downtown Motor Hotel. In this letter and in your letter dated December 5, 2014, you indicated that you are concerned about the public notification and participation in the two public meetings that were held earlier this year (Oct 28 and Nov 20). As stated in my previous letter, we did send out over 350 emails to interested parties in which many are residents located near the Downtown Motor Hotel. We also posted the meeting notifications on our website and via the City Clerk's office. We had over 50 citizens attend the first meeting and over 30 attend the second. At each meeting, there were times when citizens became passionate about their concerns, whether it was in support of the project or in opposition, and we believed it was important to allow them to be heard. We did take notes and we also asked participants to write down their concerns so that we could properly post them on our web site. As of today, we have over 100 comments. And this request for comments was and has been continually repeated that anyone from the public can forward their comments and concerns to us at HCDAdmin@tucsonaz.gov should they not feel comfortable speaking at the meetings or if they were unable to attend.

Concerning your invitation to the December 10, 2014 meeting of consulting parties sent to you on December 1, 2014; in your email response dated December 3, 2014 you were clear that you understood the intent of the meeting was a part of the Section 106 process and the invitation was for consulting parties. Also, this fact was clarified in our discussion during the meeting on December 10, 2014.

Also during the December 10th meeting, we did establish the follow up meeting date and time to be 12/18/14 at 4:30pm unless otherwise notified. The meeting was initiated by your statement that you wanted to have time to go back to your organization to discuss the issue. We talked at length about the timing of the meeting in that you had a THPF meeting scheduled at the end of the week, the TPCHP Plans Review Subcommittee had a meeting the following day and Mr. Burr



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indicated that the Armory Park Neighborhood Association had a meeting that week too. Perhaps the message was lost in discussing that Helen Erickson's situation was complicated by the fact that the TPCHP is a public body that requires 24 hour notice of the agenda which was a problem in that their meeting was scheduled for 12/11/14. She was unable to discuss this item officially at their 12/11/14 meeting but an announcement was made requesting that individual members send additional mitigation suggestions directly to me. We waited for you for an hour on the 18th as we were expecting you since you did not notify us that you could not attend. Of course we will be glad to meet with you concerning any suggestions from your organization.

In regards to your concern about the Area of Potential Effect, the APE was determined by the City's Office of Historic Preservation but based on discussions with the consulting parties and from the public comments, it will be a topic of discussion during our consultation with AZ SHPO.

I do apologize that in our response to you on December 9, 2014 was erroneous. We clearly answered how interested parties were notified and did not answer the question that was asked "How consulting parties have been identified?" We have determined a list of consulting parties in accordance with 36 CFR 800.2 (c), As of 12/24/14, the following have been identified as "Consulting Parties":

- o The Arizona State Historic Preservation Office – as required by regulation
- o The Tucson Historic Preservation Foundation – as the largest private organization preserving and celebrating the distinctive and irreplaceable historic resources of Tucson, Pima County and Southern Arizona.
- o The Tucson Pima County Historical Commission, Plans Review Subcommittee – as a representative of local government and participating organization in Programmatic Agreement between the City of Tucson, the Arizona State Historic Preservation Office, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.
- o The Armory Park Historic Zone Advisory Board-although the subject property is not in the Armory Park Historic Preservation Zone it is in the Armory Park Historic District.
- o The Armory Park Neighborhood Association-as the neighborhood association in which the subject property is located.

Sincerely,



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