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ARCHAEOLOGICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE HEARING

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2013 – 4:30 P.M.

CITY COUNCILORS' CONFERENCE ROOM

CITY HALL, 200 LINCOLN AVENUE, SANTA FE

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 18, 2013

May 16, 2013

E. ACTION ITEMS

1. Case#AR-13-12 A. Approval of final report on archaeological data recovery for the construction of the State of New Mexico Executive Office Building at 402, 406, 410 and 414 Don Gaspar Avenue, located within the Historic Downtown Archaeological Review District. The request is made by Robert Dello-Russo, Office of Archaeological Studies, for the New Mexico General Services Division.
2. Case#AR-25-12 A. Approval of monitoring report covering construction of a sculpture plaza totaling approximately 1,980 sq. ft. The project is located at the northwest corner of West Marcy and Lincoln streets in the Historic Downtown Archaeological Review District. The request is made by Robert Dello-Russo, Office of Archaeological Studies, for Surroundings Landscape Architects.

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H. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

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**MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF SANTA FE
ARCHAEOLOGICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE HEARING
City Councilors Conference Room
June 20, 2013**

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Archaeological Review Committee Hearing was called to order by David Eck, Chair, at approximately 4:30 p.m., on June 20, 2013, in the City Councilors Conference Room, City Hall, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

B. ROLL CALL

Members Present

David Eck, Chair
Tess Monahan, Vice-Chair
Gary Funkhouser
James Edward Ivey
Derek Pierce

Others Present

John Murphey, Historic Preservation Division
Melessia Helberg, Stenographer

NOTE: All items in the Committee packet for all agenda items are incorporated herewith to these minutes by reference; and the original Committee packet is on file in, and may be obtained from, the Historic Preservation Division.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Gary Funkhouser moved, seconded by Derek Pierce, to approve the Agenda as presented.

VOTE: The motion was approved on a voice vote, with Gary Funkhouser, Tess Monahan and Derek Pierce voting in favor of the motion, no one voting against and Jake Ivey absent for the vote.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – APRIL 18, 2013 AND MAY 16, 2013.

APRIL 18, 2013

The following corrections were made to the minutes of April 18, 2013:

Page 4, paragraph 11, line 2, correct as follows: "...area is ~~the~~ 5,000 sq. ft...."

Page 10, paragraph 10, line 1, correct as follows: "...Ferrara ~~it not is~~ in...."

Page 17, paragraph 9, line 2, correct as follows: "... and ~~its~~ its required..."

MOTION: Gary Funkhouser moved, seconded by Derek Pierce, to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 18, 2013, as amended.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

MAY 16, 2013

The following corrections were made to the minutes of May 16, 2013:

Page 4, paragraph 2, line 4, under Derek Pierce, correct as follows: "... on the ~~Southwest~~ Southeast foothills area..."

Page 8, paragraph 3, correct as follows: "Mr. Rasch asked when the report is submitted, if we will need a clean copy, and ~~Mr. Murphey~~ Chair Eck said yes."

Page 13, paragraph 1, line 2 under Matters from the Committee, add clarifying language to indicate they are talking about the City Code.

MOTION: Jake Ivey moved, seconded by Derek Pierce, to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 16, 2013, as presented.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote

E. ACTION ITEMS

- 1. CASE #AR-13-12. APPROVAL OF FINAL REPORT ON ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATA RECOVERY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING AT 402, 406, 410 AND 414 DON GASPAR AVENUE, LOCATED WITHIN THE HISTORIC DOWNTOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL REVIEW DISTRICT. THE REQUEST IS MADE BY ROBERT DELLO-RUSSO, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL STUDIES, FOR THE NEW MEXICO GENERAL SERVICES DIVISION.**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the report, as it meets the intent of the City of Santa Fe Archaeological Review District Ordinance, as applied to State undertakings (14-5.3(B), and the criteria for Archaeological Clearance Permits under 14-3.13(B)(1)(a), and External Policy 3.

Mr. Murphey said he has nothing to add.

Dr. Dello-Russo said he has nothing to add, commenting that the Committee should direct any questions to Matthew Barbour, the lead author on the report.

Mr. Barbour said, even though it is its own stand alone report, it falls in line with what was done previously, which he submitted for the Capitol Complex historic neighborhood, noting that final report was published in 2012. He said he kept the same format and level of detail for this report, and took this opportunity to focus on adding more additional archival research and sort of challenging the original conclusions of the Capitol Complex Historic Neighborhood Report. He said the data they found during the Executive Office Building project was much less robust as had been found previously, so as a report this report is scaled down, although it is still a very large report as far as the findings go. He said it stands alone as its own report even though "it is couched into Capitol's earlier work."

Mr. Barbour said, "One of things I was really happy with, just looking back through it now, is that we really did try to get a lot more archival photos. There aren't a lot of archival photos on that neighborhood, but considering that most of the archival photos, the additional ones we used this time, came from the families themselves of the descendants of the people who lived there, I thought that was a nice added touch."

Gary Funkhouser

Mr. Funkhouser said he has no comment, other than this is the usual good work from Mr. Barbour.

Derek Pierce

Mr. Pierce said it is a good report. He is especially pleased with the archive research which was wonderful, commenting that Mr. Barbour went well beyond the standard title research and got some personal history of the people that lived there, and "I think that's terrific."

Mr. Pierce said, regarding the NIAF, on the first page Mr. Barbour lists the date of investigation as October 2011 to December 2011. However, on the third page, under Field Work dates, he lists March 2008 to September 2009. He said perhaps that's a separate activity, the survey.

Mr. Barbour said it probably is a typo because he used the previous form. He said he isn't seeing this error in the version of the report he is using, noting it may have been corrected in that version.

Mr. Pierce said, "That's possible. We have a loose NIAF form here that is immediately after the Table of Contents."

Mr. Barbour said that has been corrected on the "copy I currently have. However, I will put a note in to have the editor to check the dates of the field work."

Mr. Pierce, referring to Research Question 2, page 173, where Mr. Barbour is talking about the tendency of residents to manage their trash and not put it in the back yard, asked when did they get organized curbside pickup.

Mr. Barbour said In the 1970's, noting if that isn't in this report, it was reported in the Capitol Report.

Mr. Pierce, referring to page 194, said Mr. Barbour talks about figs, dates and such, and asked if this is imported food, or were there actually orchards in Santa Fe.

→ Mr. Barbour said he is unsure if you could grow figs in Santa Fe, but they are grown in central and southern New Mexico, so imported might be the wrong idea to get from it, but it is non-local fruit. He said, in looking this, we are "still looking at produce coming from the American Southwest, not necessarily imports from the Middle east. It could be, but at that point, we do have train or railroad access and we are starting to see the main argument of the report that we are looking at the rise of the actual trade and market trade..... It obviously is a non-local commodity, even if it is just from southern New Mexico."

Mr. Pierce noted Mr. Barbour's recommendation is that basically the potential of this site has been exhausted through this project. He said, "I was of a mind to concur. It sounds like about almost 80% of the site has had some kind of treatment."

✓ Mr. Barbour said, "Precisely. And what I would really argue to this Committee is, yes, the site is not excavated in its entirety. However, at this point we've really exhausted the research potential of this lot to continue to produce, considering the amount of money it would cost to excavate any more of it. I think efforts, as far as financially, if we're going to look at archaeology in the City, in this portion of that neighborhood has been exhausted as far as research potential goes."

Mr. Pierce said, "I completely agree that the information potential under criterion D has been exhausted. You've covered that base, and it is unlikely that you will encounter anything that you haven't already seen, so A and C are covered. But reading through some of the personal histories, and couple of this individuals are pretty prominent, there was a photo of one of them with Teddy Roosevelt, so, I'm wondering if you considered Criterion B."

Mr. Barbour said, "Yes. So I completely get that. And under Criterion B, as far as events and people, these people, yes. But I think we've also exhausted that by bringing their stories to life in these texts as well. This one is both in this report and in the Capitol Report. I would say that we have exhausted that to some extent. And it's not to say that nothing more can be said about these people, absolutely not. In fact, there is a whole museum in Las Vegas, New Mexico, dedicated to the Rough Riders, as well as

many books and histories. You will see mentioned.....as in his arguments with Otero. There is still a lot of research potential there, but I think as far as the property goes, and I'm making management decisions based on the property, I think his ties to the neighborhood have been proven, his links to the archaeology have been discussed. I don't see a tie necessarily at this point, but while these people are very much important, and I think there's a lot of stuff... I think even Roy Butler, as a plumber in Santa Fe, is a real fascinating story.... but I think their links to the management of this specific property are exhausted. So that while you could write more about these individuals, it's not necessarily tied to them living at that house. We've listed what years they've lived at that house. We've gone into great detail as to what point in their career that actually is taking place, and what the archaeology reflects about these people. I'm not even sure I'm articulating well, but pretty much, there's lots more history about these people. I just think the history of those individuals as tied to the property has been exhausted."

Mr. Pierce said, "You're saying it's probably not archaeological questions."

Mr. Barbour said, "Yes. Even the historical questions, as per those individuals, as to when they lived at those properties, what they did when they lived at those properties, and that kind of information has been exhausted. However, if you were to take their life span as a whole, I think there's a lot more you could cover, as far as their contributions to the history of this town, to the State, and even to the United States, as in the case of Mueller. I don't see anybody going back to this property in any way, and going, oh you know what, now's the time to write a really extensive biography of Mueller. They want to do that separately, but that's not necessarily tied to the archaeology of this property, or the research potential of this property."

Mr. Pierce said he doesn't disagree. He said, "If the home were still standing, we might have a different conversation, but I think you're right. You're not going to learn anything more about this individual by excavating his privy."

Jake Ivey

Mr. Ivey said the report is well written.

Mr. Ivey, referring to page 91, paragraph 1, line 3, which provides, "If an artifact was not exposed to sunlight for long periods of time before discard, it may not have turned amethyst." He asked Mr. Barbour if he wanted to say that, or did he want to say "after discard." He asked, "Are you talking about it sitting on a shelf."

Mr. Barbour said, "Probably prior to discard."

Mr. Ivey asked, "What about all of that time it lies out on the ground after discard."

Mr. Barbour said, "That is true too."

Mr. Ivey said, let's say you use it, then it's empty within 2-3 months, but it lies on the ground for 10-15 years.

Mr. Barbour said, "That's very true. In this case, I don't think we have as much of an issue potentially with that, considering I'm dealing with mostly pit features, where they probably aren't laying out on the ground very long after their disposal. However, I can see where you're going. We can think about an alternative way to parse this."

Mr. Ivey said, "It's hard for something to actually lie on the surface and be exposed for any continuous length of time. If it was in Texas, the ants would bury it almost immediately. Okay, I just thought I would ask whether that was a mistake. It makes perfect sense the way you say it."

Mr. Barbour said, "I think Robert [Dello-Russo] has a good suggestion. We'll just change it to, 'prior to burial' – long periods of time prior to burial,' and that easily gets rid of that ambiguity."

Mr. Ivey, referring to page 87, paragraph 1, line 6, under Sanborn Insurance Map Overlay, line 6, provides, "...transformation adjusts the map by stretching, scaling and rotating.." and said he isn't clear on "stretching."

Mr. Barbour said, "When I give the map to our GIS specialists, what they do is they take some down points on buildings and structures that still exist. In this case, one of the obvious ones is the Bataan building, which was the State Capitol at the time. They can match up corners with that, but the way she explained it to me is it's almost like putty to some extent. So when she starts pulling the map to those reference points, it's distorted a little bit. And this part was written by a GIS specialist, Tara Cauley who actually knows a lot more about this than I ever will."

Mr. Pierce said the technique is also referred to as "rubber sheeting," because if you were to plot them on a rubber sheet and try to match it to another one, you would have to stretch that rubber.

Mr. Barbour said, "It does allow for some error within this sample, and what she's trying to do is to articulate the process by which that was done, and in this section articulate the amount of error in the sample, which isn't, I don't think... you can argue whether it's significant or not, it's a meter to 3 meters in size."

Mr. Ivey said, "It's Sanborn's. Sanborn's wobbles back and forth 5-6 feet from one version to the next."

Mr. Barbour said he thinks that variable is acceptable.

Mr. Ivey said he wanted to make sure. He said, "There's a fairly straightforward meaning implied by the sentence in that word, and I was wanting to make sure that I did understand it. And the rubber sheet phrase really did it."

Mr. Ivey said, "Okay, final thing. My feeling about that question about your recommendation of, we're done, we're out of here, close up the van, we're gone, my feeling is that you should perhaps recommend at least a little bit of monitoring for any future work."

Mr. Barbour said, "I get what you are saying about that, and I don't necessarily agree, and here's the reason. We did do a lot of monitoring after the capitol, so when we finished data recovery on the capitol, we monitored for about six months, and it was a long, thorough process. And we hit some more privies. We excavated a couple more privies in that project, but there were no unexpected finds during that excavation process. And I'm concerned, because of the expense of these large data recovery projects in general. And I understand the need to protect cultural resources. In fact, I would argue that GSD spared no expense as far as protecting these resources, and making sure we did a good job of recording them. I just don't know if it's going to be very productive as far as a cost-gain initiative, for us to stay out there and monitor 8 months of construction excavation. Unfortunately, that's what it ends up being, is it ends up not being they excavate the hole in a week. No, they end up excavating over the course of months. And it's just a lot of work."

Mr. Barbour continued, "We have monitored out there before. We did trenches after we were done, the excavations, that were deeply buried deposits. Well, there are prehistoric [artifacts] in the general area, outside of this LA. There have been recorded prehistoric deposits outside this LA number. Every time we've dug deeper here, we haven't found them. Other than for several small, I think there was one projectile point in this report, and a handful of prehistoric pot sherds. We haven't found any evidence of deeply.... and those were mixed in with 20th century deposits. They weren't in discrete strata. I just have a feeling that if there was something there, the neighborhood tore it up long ago. And while there is the potential we could hit a privy we missed, or a domestic refuse pit we missed, I don't think that's necessarily going to help us inform that much more on the families, than we've already covered in this report. So I guess, this is my argument against doing monitoring. I totally get where you're coming from and if money was never an issue in the world, it would be great to monitor just to pick up all sorts of odds and ends. But in this case, realistically, we did a lot of excavation on that site. We've done a lot of trenching on that site. We've done a lot of monitoring on that site. I just don't see how more monitoring is going to pay off in the long run for us."

Mr. Ivey said, "Okay. I've raised the point. I'll wait and see how the board comes down on this, rather than saying anything further. It's up to you... or over to you, perhaps I should say."

Tess Monahan

Mr. Monahan complimented Mr. Barbour for the thoroughness of the report, and bringing together all of the history in the area. She asked if he took the coyote picture on site.

Mr. Barbour said no, he pulled it from elsewhere. He said there is a coyote living in the Roundhouse area, which visited them on several occasions when he was first scoping the project area, commenting it is a very healthy coyote.

Chair Eck

Chair Eck said his comment is a follow up to what Mr. Ivey pointed out. It is that the remnant of the site is still there and has not been excavated, investigated and monitored already. He asked if we know the totality of the neighborhood family association for those parts of the site.

Mr. Barbour said, "Yes. And those have been reported previously, both in the Capitol Complex, the report I did for the Highway Department, and the original testing plan which tested the entire scope of the site. It had the listing of all the families that lived within LA 158,037. Now I haven't done necessarily that research for other portions of the Capital Complex Historic Neighborhood. I've done most of the Capitol Complex Historic Neighborhood, but there are some areas underneath the Roundhouse I haven't researched yet, but as far as this portion of the site, yes. All the family histories was recited for the discrete neighborhood from Galisteo to Don Gaspar, and from West Manhattan to South Capitol. All the families inside that project, that site area, have been investigated thoroughly.

Chair Eck said then the chances of any major surprise are pretty small.

Mr. Barbour said that is correct. He said there are several structures along Galisteo that potentially have remnants still in place for those structures. He said, "We did not find them during testing in 2007 when they originally put in the trenches. However, there could be the odd foundation that pops up. However, that would be my argument, that even with that site, I don't think those are necessarily going to change the interpretation of the neighborhood a whole lot, and that's why I was arguing against the monitoring or additional work. I just don't think that's where the bang for the buck is. If there is going to be development in the Capitol Complex Historic Neighborhood, the place we want to spend funds is underneath the Roundhouse, or around the Roundhouse. The Roundhouse itself has a basement, but the area has been excavated for that space. There are areas, the PERA parking lot, which are in the Capitol Complex Historic Neighborhood, that could be very interesting to examine. I just don't think that this site, the boundaries that I just gave, that the research potential is really there for additional work."

Chair Eck asked Mr. Ivey if that answers his question.

Mr. Ivey said no, it's the unexpected that he worries about. "The thing that isn't the neighborhood history. It's something perhaps underneath that. And, I would feel that at least a provision that if somebody hits something, they have a phone number to call and say there's something funny looking in the ground. You know, you see what I mean."

Mr. Barbour said, "Under the burial laws, as they exist today, the reality is if we're starting to get into prehistoric stuff, you're probably going to be hitting human remains. The Judicial Complex proved that pretty obviously, and the Civic Center proved that without a shadow of a doubt. If you hit human remains, you're required to report it anyway. So, if that were the case and they were starting to hit stuff like that, there are laws on the books that would cause archaeological laws and protections to come into place. It's not like I'm writing it off, there's just no evidence on that site. As far as the trenching, we've already done it. We've done trenching in those areas we haven't excavated. There's no evidence of an intact prehistoric deposit. I'm willing to admit, you probably will, if you screen all the dirt, you're going to find the

odd prehistoric sherd or lithic artifact. I think that goes true for any place in downtown Santa Fe if you're going to screen the dirt. I just don't think, at this point, we can't anticipate, on the blind chance you're going to find something, I don't know if it is going to justify 6-8 months of monitoring for something. Like I said, I'm only arguing inside the lot, as it exists from street boundaries to street boundaries, not the neighborhood as a whole."

Mr. Pierce asked, regarding the 22% of the lot that has not had some kind of treatment, how is that distributed, and if it is that one contiguous corner of the lot has not had treatment.

Mr. Barbour said it virtually is a mixture of different areas. He said, "There's a corner kind of along where South Capital and Galisteo meet, there's a corner that hasn't been done. There's also the yards where the Don Gaspar houses are, which haven't technically been investigated. So it is piecemeal. It's more along South Capitol Street. Everything along West Manhattan has been done. Most of Galisteo has been done, but there are portions, I would say to some extent, discrete areas that haven't been done, but they are piecemeal throughout the site. It's not like... I guess what I'm saying is it's not one specific residence that hasn't been documented, and we have documented all the residences, but it's not like it's one specific lot or that we have reason to be concerned about a specific lot. And even then, there's a figure, the 2007 testing that was published in 2008, I know that sounds convoluted, it does show the initial places where the backhoe trenches were put. The only places which haven't been trenched are along that Don Gaspar area, but all of those structures have basements, too, and very likely, they over-excavated for those basements. It's really a shot in the dark that that area is going to yield some high research potential, either feature or artifact assemblage, or something along those lines that would generate a lot of [inaudible]."

Mr. Pierce said, "That actually works in your favor. The more that these unexcavated, untested areas are disbursed or scattered, it closely approaches a random sample, as opposed to having a whole quarter of a lot."

Dr. Dello-Russo asked, rhetorically, if in the entire history of archaeology, there has ever been a site that's even been close to 100% excavated. He said, "I think not, not even 50% probably."

Chair Eck said, in fact, 50% is way more than usual.

Mr. Ivey said, "No, but the Brits tend to go kind of overboard, excavation-wise. I think there are a number of sites they would have done down to the paleolithic or somewhere, but we don't do that."

Dr. Dello-Russo said we haven't done that, even at Blackwater Draw where we've been doing archaeology for 81 years, and we're still not even close to halfway.

Chair Eck said, "And not even half of the whole thing that's still there, because most of it got munched in the sand and gravel mining."

Mr. Pierce said, "I just want to point out, as I understand, we're not actually being asked to decide anything today, and this issue will come up again when somebody decides to do for some work and they ask for an exclusion, we'll get to talk about it all over again."

Mr. Barbour said, this is true.

Mr. Ivey said, "Let me just wind up my position, by saying, mostly I just wanted to get a sense of what the end result would be of your recommendations, as written, and you've done that for me. Archaeologists always tend to have this painful feeling that there's a patch of ground we didn't dig in, so God knows what could be in it. I don't want to commit myself to saying, yeah, rip it out. But, you have to do that all the time. And I was just wondering how comfortable I was going to be with going along with that this time, and I think I'm okay with it."

Mr. Barbour said Santa Fe has excellent archaeology protection laws, as far as a city anywhere in the country. He said, "The reality is a lot of work gets done in Santa Fe. And I'm not arguing against doing work in Santa Fe by a long way. I'm arguing that this specific spot in Santa Fe is done. We have worn out the research potential for it. I think there's a lot of amazing places to still do work."

Mr. Ivey said, "I trust your sense of this space here, because you've had so much time with your hands in it. So I figure if you're this firmly convinced, then I'm willing to go along with your recommendation. That's my position."

MOTION: Derek Pierce moved, seconded by Tess Monahan, with respect to Case #AR-13-12, to approve the final report on archaeological data recovery for the construction of the State of New Mexico office Building at 402, 406, 410 and 414 Don Gaspar Avenue, located within the Historic Downtown Archaeological Review District, requested by Robert Dello-Russo, Office of Archaeological Studies, for the New Mexico General Services Division, with the aforementioned corrections, finding that it meets the intent of the City of Santa Fe Archaeological Review District Ordinance, as applied to State undertakings (14-5.3(B)), and the criteria for Archaeological Clearance Permits under 14-3.13(B)(1)(a), and External Policy 3.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

Dr. Dello-Russo thanked the Committee for reviewing this so quickly.

2. **CASE #AR-25-12 APPROVAL OF MONITORING REPORT COVERING CONSTRUCTION OF A SCULPTURE PLAZA TOTALING APPROXIMATELY 1,980 SQ. FT. THE PROJECT IS LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF WEST MARCY AND LINCOLN STREETS IN THE HISTORIC DOWNTOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL REVIEW DISTRICT. THE REQUEST IS MADE BY ROBERT DELLO-RUSSO, OFFICE OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL STUDIES, FOR SURROUNDINGS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS.**

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the monitoring report, as it meets the intent of the City of Santa Fe Archaeological Review District Ordinance (14-5.3) and Archaeological Clearance Permits (14-3.13(B)(4)(c), and further recommends forwarding this approval to the New Mexico Historic Preservation Division, as per NMAC 4.10.17.

Mr. Murphey said this project seemed to be always morphing, commenting there were problems – change orders, irrigation systems that went bad, and even esthetics. He said they were still working on it up to the last minute, constantly changing, so it was a “bit of a challenge for Donald to always be here when they needed you.”

Donald Tatum, Archaeologist, said he had nothing to add.

Tess Monahan

Ms. Monahan said the number of things they found is surprising, when they found nothing across the street at the Courthouse. She said she appreciates the thoroughness, commenting it is a small plot of land and “there are many fingers in the pie.”

Mr. Tatum said this is true, noting the context is pretty mixed up though, which simplifies things greatly.

Jake Ivey

Mr. Ivey said, “I hate to bring this up, but considering how much uproar we had a while back about using both metric and standard measurements, should I simply not say anything about that.”

Chair Eck said, “I feel that you should speak on anything you have noted that is worthy of comment.”

Mr. Ivey said, “I would say that the usage is probably standard and typical, so I’m going to turn the page, and no comment. You might wonder what I’m talking about. We went through a long discussion, argument, thing about whenever we use, like 1,000 whatever square feet, and whether we should also parenthetically say so many square meters, right. And the ultimate conclusion was that none of us could quite figure out what we thought, so, I think the ultimate conclusion of that conclusion was that we let them do whatever looked like it was appropriate and we criticize them if we don’t like it. Does that make sense. In this case, I think it’s a standard procedure use square footage and I’ll not say anything, but if you got the urge to stick in the square metric.”

Mr. Tatum said, “There are some observations that I had about the measurements, whether to use metric or English. I prefer working with metric system, obviously. But, of course, there’s the convention of using English in historic archaeology. If you’re talking about construction projects that are in English and dealing with prehistoric archaeology, then it makes perfect sense to use both units of measurement.”

Mr. Pierce said, "As the person who opened that can of worms, let me clarify what I intended by it. My observation was when you are doing both, if you, let's say you use inches first and then centimeters in parentheses, to be consistent. Don't let the next instance have centimeters and then inches in parentheses. I think I found an instance in the report we were discussing, and that's all I was trying to point out. I didn't see that here."

Dr. Dello-Russo as the result of that previous discussion, he sat with his production people and they have devised a standardized protocol for all of our authors we're trying to put into effect, so hopefully those inconsistencies will disappear.

Mr. Ivey said paragraph 2, page 1 of the Introduction says, "An area totaling 1,980 square feet (.0455 acres), and then at total of 185 linear feet (56.4 meters)." He said it all makes perfect sense to him, but he doesn't know if we're violating the proposed concept. He said, "If that first measurement of square footage got converted to acres, why didn't you stick in a square metric as well."

Mr. Tatum said he thought about it.

Mr. Ivey asked, on page 4, if Mr. Tatum would like to indent the third paragraph on page 4, and Mr. Tatum said yes.

Derek Pierce

Mr. Pierce asked Mr. Tatum if he prepared a Site Update Form, and Mr. Tatum said yes.

Mr. Pierce said then we just didn't get it, and Mr. Tatum said he will make sure he and the members of the Committee get a copy of that document.

Gary Funkhouser

Mr. Funkhouser said he has no comment.

David Eck

Chair Eck said, "You mentioned documenting the stratigraphy, and I see that you have a description that talks about the deposits you encountered, but I don't actually see an illustration of the stratigraphy."

Mr. Tatum said those are in the profiles.

Chair Eck asked Mr. Tatum if he has those and if it would be easy to add them.

Mr. Tatum said it would be easy to add the profiles, photographs and hand-drawn profiles to the report.

Chair Eck said that would be wonderful, especially if they're side-by-side, so people immediately understand what you're talking about.

Mr. Ivey said a lot of us really enjoy looking at stratigraphic records.

Chair Eck said part of that is we're "trying to hatch a plot to get somebody to volunteer to do sort of a grand compendium of stratigraphy in the downtown area."

Mr. Tatum said that is a fantastic idea.

Dr. Dello-Russo said we've talked about that before – the GIS thing.

Mr. Pierce said basically, where are there known intact deposits, instead of the usual disturbed.

Chair Eck said, "It's a big elephant and we're a lot of blind people, so if you have any thoughts on how to do that, and help the rest of us figure out the best way to do that, please jump in, but not right now."

Dr. Dello-Russo said Cherie Scheick has a lot on GIS and that could be a good starting point.

Chair Eck asked where we stand on permitting, and asked Mr. Tatum, "Have we considered your application to be listed on the Downtown Archaeologists?"

Mr. Tatum said, no, he hasn't submitted it yet.

Dr. Dello-Russo said in this case, Jim Moore was the Acting Supervisor, and he is unsure if it is listed.

Chair Eck said it isn't, and asked staff to be sure that is listed, so it is clear that the person with a permit was actually in charge of the project.

MOTION: Derek Pierce moved, seconded by Tess Monahan, with respect to Case #AR-25-12A, to approve the request to approve the monitoring report covering construction of a sculpture plaza totaling approximately 19,80 sq. ft., at the northwest corner of West Marcy and Lincoln Streets in the Historic Downtown Archaeological Review district, by Robert Dello-Russo, Office of Archaeological Studies, for Surroundings Landscape Architects, subject to the aforementioned corrections and the inclusion of the requested profiles, drawings and other documentation, finding that it meets the intent of the City of Santa Fe Archaeological Review District Ordinance (14-5.3) and Archaeological Clearance Permits (14-3.13(B)(4)(c)), and further recommends forwarding this approval to the New Mexico Historic Preservation Division, as per NMAC 4.10.17.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote.

F. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no administrative matters.

G. COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Murphey, referring to the request at the last meeting, provided the requested 2008 aerial photograph of the City limits.

Chair Eck asked how this Committee can get together to have a comprehensive discussion of the stratigraphy in downtown Santa Fe.

The Board discussed the next steps and the best way to get people here to talk about what we know in the downtown, including the following:

- a. A subcommittee of two people to work on this in a work session.
- b. An informal roundtable discussion with the Committee and archaeologists.
- c. Dedicate an entire ARC meeting just to this activity, which would be announced publicly, and invite selected archaeologists to make presentations.
- d. A study session either preceding or following a regular ARC meeting.
- e. A study session which would be a panel discussion by 3-4 archaeologists invited to participate by the Committee.
- f. Luncheon meetings with various archaeologists by less than a quorum of the Committee.

The Committee commented as follows:

- Chair Eck said his feeling is that we should try to have the work session right after a regular ARC meeting adjourns, absent a quorum of the membership.
- Mr. Murphey said July 18th is available to the Committee to be dedicated just to this purpose.

Responding to a question from the Board, Ms. Helberg said all meetings where there will be a quorum of the membership in attendance, are required to be noticed as a public meeting. She explained that minutes for a work session are not as detailed and usually contain minimum information and the points that were made during the session.

- The Board expressed concern that a publicly advertised meeting would move away from being able to get meaningful information – makes it a more formal meeting.
- Ms. Monahan said we need to think about who we want to attend the meetings, commenting it will be cumbersome if there are too many people. She suggesting contacting Cherie Scheick to see if she would be willing to share her information, which she doubts she would, but information on how she has processed the information could be very helpful. She said we should think who else we would like to attend – Dello-Russo, Barbour – who you want to hear from who have the information, the framework, the big picture in this regard.
- Chair Eck said Ms. Scheick and the OAS have the two big ^{chunks} chunks of the pie, and everyone else is a smaller player in terms of volume of area excavated, but they could still have good ideas which would be helpful. He said there are people who have been around “forever,” who would have a tremendous amount of time depth to offer the Committee.
- Ms. Monahan said “We really need to, initially, pick brains and figure out a framework for what to do next, and then get more people involved.”
- Mr. Funkhouser said he prefers to begin the process with a very few people who have most of the information in this regard.
- The members expressed concern about making this an open forum initially.
- Mr. Ivey said we need a set of points on which to find information or which to achieve, and Ms. Monahan said the Committee hasn’t agreed on that, and that’s what we need to figure out.
- Mr. Funkhouser said we first need to find out if it would be possible to reasonably undertake this project, and believes everything comes after that.
- Mr. Pierce agreed, saying we need to determine whether this project is worth pursuing, how we go about doing it, and if it has value to our panel members and the rest of the professional community.
- Mr. Ivey thinks we should have a defined goal or project, and Ms. Monahan said this is something we need to decide.
- Mr. Pierce asked if we are pooling our resources to do this on a volunteer basis, or are we preparing to accept proposals and give out some kind of grant to provide a deliverable.
- Chair Eck said we want to have a comprehensive discussion of stratigraphy in the Downtown Historic District “wall to wall, top to bottom,” and if it is possible to do that, and if so, how we would go about doing it.

- Mr. Ivey said what you are talking about is if we could do a version of this map which indicated where the professionals are fairly sure there is nothing remaining, and areas which haven't been excavated so we don't know the conditions, and areas which have been excavated and we are done with it.
- Mr. Funkhouser wants to know what soil was there to see if there was something across the area, saying this is the reason we need to hear from those who have done the most work downtown.

The Committee discussed next steps which would include the preparation of the list, drafting the letter inviting participation on a voluntary basis in a working session, with guidance from staff.

Mr. Murphey said he has a pdf of this very large map which could be available to send along with the invitation to the meeting.

- Ms. Monahan said people we invite also have to be contacted by telephone.
- Mr. Pierce agreed saying, he thinks we should call people by telephone before we commit to doing anything. He said if least two of them say it's a good idea, then we can put it on the agenda.

Matthew O'Reilly, Land Use Director, arrived at the meeting

Mr. O'Reilly, responding to a question from Ms. Monahan, said there is nothing wrong with not more than two Committee persons meeting with a person or person(s) to discuss the possibilities. Mr. O'Reilly said it also could be on the agenda as a working session, which would require advertisement as a public meeting of a quorum of the membership. He stressed that any gathering of more than two members of the Committee will require publication of notice of a public hearing. He said other quasi judicial bodies, such as the Planning Commission hold work study sessions which are advertised, which could be on a date and time different from the regular meeting of this Committee.

Mr. O'Reilly said this also could be advertised on a regular meeting agenda where there were no cases, so you wouldn't be keeping anyone waiting while you discuss these things.

Mr. Funkhouser said the Committee would like the people who have worked downtown the most to tell us what they think is going on in the downtown area, so in the future we can fulfill our task more responsibly. He said some people know more about the subsurface of Santa Fe and we just want their professional opinion, casually.

Matthew O'Reilly reiterated that 1-2 members of the Committee, as long as there isn't a quorum, could meet with these people, get their input and bring this back to the Committee, commenting they could meet wherever they would like. He said you also could invite them to a meeting for an informational session on the agenda to tell you what they know. And at the end of that session, if the Committee wanted to take this further and ask them to produce documents and create a list or compendium of information about sites downtown, they could come back and bring this to you.

The Committee would like to get information from certain professionals before opening the meeting to all of the archaeologists, and asked how to structure that, even if there is a quorum.

Mr. O'Reilly said, once you know what you want to find out, you can direct staff to contact the various archaeologists you think might have the information you are seeking and to pull those people together, or to invite them to a meeting, reiterating that up to two Committee members can meet with one or more persons.

Chair Eck said the Committee discussed various ways of meeting with the archaeologists, and believed they are heading toward a work session which isn't a regular meeting of the Committee, or incorporating a work session with a regular ARC meeting. He said it will be difficult to prevent a quorum, because there are at least 5 members of the Committee who want to be present to hear the discussion.

Mr. O'Reilly said it sounds perfectly fine to do it this way, and staff can alert the people from whom you want input.

It was the consensus among the Committee for the Committee members to first contact these people to see if they are interested, and then advise the staff "who said yes," and then to make a formal invitation out of that.

Mr. O'Reilly said the meeting can be held almost anywhere, as long as there is a recorder, staff is present, and the meeting is noticed publicly. He said if it is held at the City Hall, we can provide refreshments as long as they aren't alcoholic.

Chair Eck said "for the initial go-around," he prefers an advertised work session with a handful of invitees providing information and giving us their honest opinion of the feasibility of the project.

Mr. O'Reilly said it would be best if it wasn't an action item, and just a working group session for discussion purposes, which would take place after the last action on the agenda.

Mr. O'Reilly said, "Let the staff can work on the right place to put it on the agenda, after the action items, and let us know if you would like to have refreshments, pizza or something like that, and we could arrange for something like that to happen."

Chair Eck said then we will do some initial contacts on an informal basis in the next day or two and let staff know early next week what we have learned, and we will have plenty of time to put that on the agenda.

H. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

There were no matters from the Committee.

I. BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

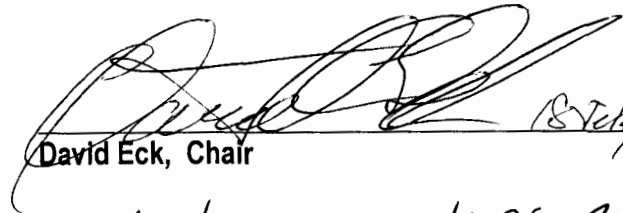
Matthew O'Reilly thanked the Archaeological Review Committee members for their service, and for how seriously the members take things. He said it is very impressive, noting he is always impressed with the level of professionals on the Committee and the professionalism all of them bring to their work on behalf of the City.

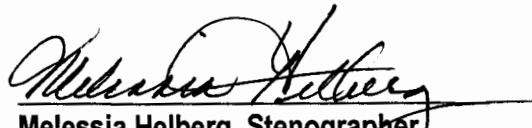
J. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the Committee.

MOTION: Derek Pierce moved, seconded by Tess Monahan, to adjourn the meeting.

VOTE: The motion was approved unanimously on a voice vote, and the Committee was adjourned at approximately 6:15 p.m.


David Eck, Chair 18 July 2013
with corrections asked


Melessia Helberg, Stenographer