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SDCL 1-19A-11.1 Consultation

Project: 251105001S – 902 6th Street - Siding and Window Trim
Location: Brookings
COB - City of Brookings

Dear Ryan,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above referenced project pursuant to SDCL 1-19A-11.1. The South Dakota Office of the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) would like to provide the following comments concerning the effect of the proposed project on the non-renewable cultural resources of South Dakota.

On November 5, 2025, the SHPO received notification of the above-referenced project located at 902 6th Street in Brookings, South Dakota. The proposed undertaking involves removing the original 4" cedar wood siding and original wood window trim. The proposed replacement siding is 5" LP smooth finish siding and the window trim will be replaced with either 3.5" or 5.5" LP window trim. This property is contributing to the Brookings Central Residential Historic District, which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. SDCL 1-19A-11.1 outlines a specific process that must be followed prior to any governmental action that may harm any historic property that is included in the National or State Registers of Historic Places.

Based upon the information provided, the proposed project has the potential to encroach upon, damage or destroy historic property that is included in the National Register of Historic Places or the State Register of Historic Places. Specifically, the removal of original siding could have the potential to alter the character of a historic property that is included in the National Register of Historic Places.

Therefore, the SHPO is requesting an abbreviated case report regarding the proposed project consisting of items 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 and 10. For item #10, please have the Brookings Historic Preservation Commission review and comment on the abbreviated case report within 180 days of receipt prior to submittal to SHPO. SHPO also has the following questions regarding the project that should be answered within the case report:

- 1) What type of repairs were attempted?
- 2) Why was LP siding chosen over an in-kind replacement?
- 3) What portions of the window trim are being replaced?





Should you require any additional information, please contact Duncan Trau at Duncan.Trau@state.sd.us or at (605)773-6005. Your concern for the non-renewable cultural heritage of our state is appreciated.

Sincerely,
Garry Guan
State Historic Preservation Officer

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Duncan Trau". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'D' and 'T'.

Duncan Trau
Historic Preservation Specialist

