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## SDCL 1-19A-11.1 Consultation

Project: 230331010S – 906 7th Street - Egress Window

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 effect of the proposed project on the non-renewable cultural resources of South Dakota.

On March 31, 2023, the SHPO received notification of the above-referenced project located at 906 7th Street in Brookings, SD. The proposed project involves installing an egress window in the basement, installing sheetrock over the interior basement walls, enclosing the electrical lines, and enclosing the exposed lighting. Dirt along the exterior of the house will be removed to allow the egress window to be installed. The dimension of the new egress window will be approximately 20" wide and 24" tall, with the overall opening at least 5.7 square feet. On April 17, 2023, SHPO received information that the new egress window will now be installed on the west side of the basement instead of the front facade. The two front facade basement windows will be replaced with one lite fixed windows. This property is contributing to the Brookings University 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 replacement windows and new egress window will not alter any character defining features. Therefore, SHPO has made the following determination that the proposal will not encroach upon, damage, or destroy a historic property which is included in the National and State Registers of Historic Places.

Should you require any additional information, please contact Duncan Trau at Duncan. Trau@state.sd.us or at (605)773-6005.

Sincerely, Ted M. Spencer State Historic Preservation Officer





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