



September 23, 2021

Jared Thomas
City of Brookings
520 3rd St Ste 140
Brookings SD 57006-2067

RE: SDCL 1-19A-11.1 Consultation

Project: 210914001S – 524 4th Street – Carnegie Library – Replace Elevator
Location: Brookings County
(COB)

Dear Mr. Thomas:

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 September 14, 2021 the SHPO received notification of the above-referenced project to replace the elevator in Carnegie Library at 524 4th Street in Brookings. On September 14, 2021, SHPO requested additional information regarding the project proposal and options for a more visually compatible exterior elevator door like the existing wood and glass door. On September 20, 2021 SHPO received notification that the elevator company does not produce wooden doors and a more visually compatible glass option would require enlarging the opening. 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 on the National or State Registers of Historic Places.

Based upon the information provided, the proposed new elevator would replace the existing elevator installed circa 1976. The current exterior elevator door is non-historic and located on a side elevation. The proposed exterior door will be insulated steel, which will not alter the existing opening and can be painted compatibility with the surrounding window trim. Therefore, the SHPO has made its final determination that the proposal will not encroach upon, damage, or destroy historic properties listed in the National or State Registers of Historic Places.

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

Sincerely,

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State Historic Preservation Officer


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