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RE: Proposed Family Dollar Store, 601 MLK Jr. Drive, Greensboro, Guilford County, ER 14-1716

Dear Mr. McLaughlin:

Thank you for your July 24, 2014, email and the follow-up conversations we had concerning the proposed Family Dollar Store within the boundaries of the South Greensboro National Register Historic District (GF1129). Our review of the project is in accord with the Programmatic Agreement related to the City of Greensboro's acquisition of property within the historic district using Community Development Block Grant funds. Having reviewed the materials provided by you, we offer the following comments.

Elevations/Exterior Finishes – Schedule E dated August 28, 2013

The proposed exterior plans are acceptable. We would hope that the exterior materials are of a quality that will reflect well upon the historic district. Standard concrete block should not be used, even if painted. Textured and/or colored masonry units are acceptable.

Site and Utility Plan – Sheet 5 of 16 dated May 2, 2014

The site plan is acceptable although we are concerned about Item 11 "Retaining wall to be designed/built by others." This wall is to hide the dumpsters at the rear of the store. It too should not be solid, plain concrete block and it should be well screened by shrubs so as to not adversely affect the viewshed of the historic school/apartments across Douglas Street.

Although, not shown on the plan, we agreed to the installation of a low monument-type sign at the corner of MLK Jr. Drive and Douglas Street, if so desired.

The above comments are made pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's Regulations for Compliance with Section 106 codified at 36 CFR Part 800.

Thank you for your cooperation and consideration. If you have questions concerning the above comment, contact Renee Gledhill-Earley, environmental review coordinator, at 919-807-6579 or renee.gledhill-earley@ncdcr.gov. In all future communication concerning this project, please cite the above referenced tracking number.

Sincerely,



for Ramona M. Bartos

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