Attachment F



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Massy Mehdipour Jotter, Inc. 111 Independence Drive Menlo Park, CA 94025

RE:

"Mothball" Protective Plan

Construction Permit No. 15CP011861 - 1170 Signal Hill Road

Dear Ms. Mehdipour:

As we discussed last Friday, today the Historical Resources Review Board (Board) reviewed the updated plans submitted by Taluban Engineering on August 4, 2015. The Board clarified that a "Mothball" Plan (Plan) shall be conceived to protect and preserve the integrity of the house in the long term to the maximum extent possible and not just as a short term measure. The Board required that the current condition of the architectural and structural elements of the house must be documented in a report to properly identify problems that need to be addressed in the Plan. Specifically, 1) each problem must be identified in the Plan, 2) a measure proposed for addressing that problem, and 3) how that measure meets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Preservation. The Plan must include appropriate drawings and narrative describing areas that need to be addressed. Guidance to meet these Standards can be found in the National Parks Service Preservation Brief #31, "Mothballing Historic Buildings".

The Board requested that the following be amended in the Plan in addition to other measures that may be needed to fully protect the house according to the report:

- 1. Updated recent mold and termite reports must be completed to identify the extent of any damage since the last report(s) were completed and recommend corrective actions which must be incorporated in the Plan;
- 2. The Plan needs to identify areas where water may be leaking and actions needed to make sure that the structure is water tight (1.e. missing flashing, holes in the roof, etc.);
- 3. Ventilation measures must include mechanical means this will require that power be extended to the mechanical ventilation system;
- 4. Wire mesh must be provided in proposed openings that provide ventilation to protect against rodents and/or birds;
- 5. Measures need to be included to protect the exterior deck including the floor and railings;

- 6. Tarp is not an adequate means to protect the house as has been proposed and an alternative means of protection must be identified and included.
- 7. The Plan must include provisions and a calendar to conduct monthly inspections including County staff;
- 8. The Plan shall include the installation of smoke a security alarm system and motion detectors to prevent further vandalism of the structure.

Please let me know if you would have any questions.

Thank you.

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