

Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department

PLANNING AND REDEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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City of Fort Lauderdale | Department of Sustainable Development
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Re: Archaeological Discovery

FMSF 8BD87 Rivermont Site, 1016 Waverly Road, Fort Lauderdale

Dear Ms. Franco,

On November 6, 2014, Robert Carr of Archaeological and Historical Conservancy, Inc. filed a notice of discovery of human remains at 1016 Waverly Road, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The notice was submitted via email to Dan Seinfeld, Archaeologist III, with the Florida Division of Historical Resources in compliance with F.S. 872.05 as it pertains to the discovery and treatment of unmarked human burials.

As you will recall, Matthew DeFelice, the County's Consultant Archaeologist, contacted you via email to notify the City of the discovery.

Archaeological and Historical Conservancy, Inc. was under contract with the property owner to conduct an archaeological due diligence survey in order to determine the effects of the proposed demolition of the extant structures and new construction on the property.

Please be advised that the County's Consultant Archaeologist notes that the property located at 1016 Waverly Road contains elements of previously identified archaeological site 8BD87, the *Rivermont Site*. Site 8BD87 is a multi-component archaeological site with evidence of Glades cultural deposits (circa 2500 B.C. – A.D. 1760) as well as Seminole Indian (Second Seminole War circa 1840) and early pioneer and early modern development (turn of the century to 1920s) context. The property also contains historic structure 8BD3420, 1016 Waverly Road, a contributing resource in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Sailboat Bend Historic District (Florida Master Site File 8BD4428). The property is located within the North Bank New River Archaeological Zone, an area that is identified as archaeologically sensitive.

It is the County's opinion that archaeological site 8BD87, the *Rivermont Site*, is locally significant and potentially eligible for local historical designation as well as listing on the National Register of Historic Places pursuant to Criteria D, it is a site "That have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history" (NHPA 1966 as amended).

In addition please be advised that, in consultation with the County Attorney's Office, the requirements of Broward County Ordinance 2014-32 are applicable as follows:

- a. Section 5-536.5(a), a *Certificate to Dig* (CTD) may be required in coordination with the proposed future development of the property.
- b. Prior to any development of the parcels, the project planning should include consultation with the Broward County Planning and Redevelopment Division in order to ensure compliance with Broward County Ordinance 2014-32.

Also, prior to any future development of the parcel, the project planning should include consultation with the State Archaeologist to ensure compliance with F.S. 872.05 as it pertains to disturbance of unmarked human burials and in order to determine the requirements of the Native American Graves and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) in advance of development and ground disturbance activities.

Please note that Broward County will also request a "courtesy review" and "determination of significance" of archaeological site 8BD87 from the Compliance and Review Section, Florida Division of Historical Resources and a "determination of significance" of human remains discovered at archaeological site 8BD87 from the State Archaeologist's Office.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Respectfully,

Henry A. Sniezek, Director

**Broward County Planning and Redevelopment Division** 

cc: Matthew DeFelice, Broward County Archaeological Consultant Maribel Feliciano, Planning Administrator, Broward County Planning and Redevelopment Division Maite Azcoitia, Esq., Deputy Broward County Attorney Robert Carr, Archaeological and Historical Conservancy, Inc.