

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
AMONG THE RHODE ISLAND HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE  
CORPORATION, THE RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION AND  
HERITAGE COMMISSION, AND BRIARWOOD HOUSING  
PARTNERSHIP, L.P.,  
CONCERNING  
MEADOWBROOK RESIDENCES**

WHEREAS, the project proponent, the Briarwood Housing Partnership, L.P. ("Proponent"), has proposed to construct sixty (60) single-family condominium units, Meadowbrook Residences, in South Kingstown, Rhode Island ("the undertaking"); and

WHEREAS, the undertaking will require the destruction of part of the Benjamin F. Robinson, Jr. archaeological site ("RI 1931"); and

WHEREAS, RI 1931 meets the criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places ("NRHP"); and

WHEREAS, the proposed project requires federal funding from Housing and Urban Development through the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation ("RIHMFC).

WHEREAS, the Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission ("RIHPHC") has determined that the proposed undertaking constitutes an "adverse effect" on RI 1931.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Proponent, the RIHPHC, and the RIHMFC have consulted and agreed that the construction of the Meadowbrook Apartments shall be undertaken in accordance with the following stipulations in order to mitigate the adverse effects to the significant archaeological site RI 1931.

**STIPULATIONS**

1. The RIHMFC shall insure that the proponent will undertake a Data Recovery Plan ("DRP") in consultation with the RIHPHC for the recovery of archaeological data from RI 1931.

The DRP shall be consistent with the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Archaeology and Historic Preservation* (48 FR 44716-42), and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's publication, *Treatment of Archaeological Properties: A Handbook*, and shall be consistent with the *RIHPHC Performance Standards and Guidelines for Archaeological Projects*.

The DRP shall specify at a minimum:

1. the property where the data recovery is to be carried out;
  2. the research questions to be addressed through the data recovery with an
  3. explanation of their relevance and importance;
  4. the methods to be used in excavation, analysis, and data management, and dissemination of data, with an explanation of their relevance to the research questions; and
  5. the proposed schedule for the submission of draft and final reports for submission to the RIHPHC for review and approval.
2. The RIHMFC shall ensure that the proponent will provide that all materials and records resulting from the data recovery are curated in accordance with 36 CFR 79 and the RIHPHC *Standards for Curation of Archaeological Materials* .
3. The RIHMFC shall ensure that the proponent will provide that results of the data recovery be disseminated to the interested public.

Execution and acceptance of the MOA and compliance with its terms, shall constitute compliance and satisfaction by all with the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Rhode Island Historic Preservation Act RIGL 42-45.

**RHODE ISLAND HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE CORPORATION**

By: Susan E. Bodington Date: 8/3/04  
Susan E. Bodington, Deputy Executive Director

**RHODE ISLAND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION AND HERITAGE COMMISSION**

By: Edward Sanderson Date: 8/3/2004  
Edward Sanderson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

**CONCUR:**

**BRIARWOOD HOUSING PARTNERSHIP, L.P.**

By: Robert Gaudreau Date: 8/03/04  
Robert Gaudreau, Briarwood Housing Partnership, LP