

## Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation

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Ms. Amanda Wyckoff Property and Development Manager Albany County Land Bank Corporation 69 State Street, 8th Floor Albany, NY 12207

Re: OAG 64 Alexander Street Demolition 64 Alexander, Albany, NY 12202 18PR02444

Dear Ms. Wyckoff:

Thank you for requesting the comments of the Division for Historic Preservation of the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (OPRHP). We have reviewed the submitted materials in accordance with the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980 (section 14.09 of the New York Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation Law). These comments are those of the Division for Historic Preservation and relate only to Historic/Cultural resources. They do not include potential impacts that must be considered as part of the environmental review of the project pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (New York Environmental Conservation Law Article 8) and its implementing regulations (6NYCRR Part 617).

We have reviewed your submission for the 64 Alexander Street Demolition project. We note that 64 Alexander Street is listed in the State and National Registers of Historic Places as a contributing resource to the South End-Groesbeckville Historic District. We understand that the proposed project will include demolition of the deteriorated building.

Based on this review, our office concurs that the Land Bank has reasonably explored all feasible and prudent alternatives that would avoid or minimize the adverse impacts to the National Register listed resource and the historic district. In accordance with Section 14.09 of the New York State Historic Preservation Act of 1980, the proposed demolition of 64 Alexander Street is an Adverse Impact to historic resources. In order to complete the 14.09 process, we should begin consultation to develop a Letter of Resolution (LOR) which would include mitigation measures to be incorporated into the project. At this time, we look forward to continued consultation with you towards completion of the LOR and associated mitigation efforts.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (518) 268-2164. Sincerely,

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