

PROJECT	<b>Smithsonian Institution- Revitalization of the Historic Core (RoHC)</b>	MEETING DATE	1/25/2023
ORGANIZER	<b>Smithsonian Institution, Carly Bond (moderator)</b>	TIME	2:00-3:00pm
LOCATION	Virtual/Zoom		
PANELISTS	Carly Bond- Smithsonian Institution Sharon Park- Smithsonian Institution Christopher Lethbridge- Smithsonian Institution Brenda Sanchez- Smithsonian Institution Lauren Brandes- Smithsonian Institution Matthew Chalifoux, EYP-Loring Anthony Bochicchio, AIA, EYP-Loring Faye Harwell, RHI (Rhodeside and Harwell)		
SUBJECT	<b>Consulting Parties Meeting #9</b>		

## MEETING MINUTES

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**Purpose – This was Consulting Parties Meeting 9 for the Revitalization of the Historic Core (RoHC) project of the Smithsonian Institution. The meeting was held in compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.**

Earlier during the consultation process the Consulting Parties were informed about the resequencing of the RoHC project, to first focus on the Smithsonian Institution Building (“Castle”). During Consulting Parties Meeting 7 the Smithsonian team outlined a phased Section 106 consultation process, focusing the initial approval on design actions that must be finalized before the initial construction starts in March 2023. The agenda for this meeting was focused on reviewing the proposed Programmatic Agreement that oversees both phases of the project. The meeting agenda was as follows:

- Review RoHC Revitalize Castle Phased Consultation
- Review Phase 1 Design Actions
- Review Programmatic Agreement Text
- Next Steps

Phase 2 of Section 106 consultation will continue through 2023.

The meeting was assembled virtually and included a slide presentation, which has been posted on the RoHC project website. Attendees were asked to post questions or comments in the chat during the presentation. The following is a list of the questions and comments with a summary of the responses. The Programmatic Agreement was released for review by Consulting Parties for a comment period that ran from 12/22/2022 through 01/27/2023. The PA is available through the project webpage: <https://www.sifacilities.si.edu/historic-core>

## Questions and Comments

### Written

1. **Q:** It's a pleasure to see the level and care this project is receiving, especially compared to the way public sector projects of a local nature are reviewed in NYC.

**R:** Thank you.

2. **Q:** I wish the SI team, the design consultants, and the construction team the best of luck in the very important project.

**R:** Thank you.

### **Verbal**

3. **Q:** When will Phase 1 be submitted to the Commission of Fine Arts for review?

**R:** For the February Commission meeting.

**END OF MEETING**