

Ordinance No. 196-X

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE "N. S. ALEXANDER HOUSE" AS HISTORIC PROPERTY, AT 4601 SHAMROCK DRIVE IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, AND RECORDED ON PARCEL NUMBER 099-261-05A AS RECORDED IN THE MECKLENBURG COUNTY TAX OFFICE.

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites to the adoption of this ordinance prescribed in Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina have been met; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Charlotte, North Carolina, has taken into consideration all statements and information presented at the joint public hearing held with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission on the 10th day of December, 1979, and on the 7th day of January, 1980, on the question of designating the property known as the "N. S. Alexander House" as historic property; and

WHEREAS, N. S. Alexander was the great grandson of Hezekiah Alexander and a member of one of the oldest and most prestigious families in Mecklenburg County in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries; and

WHEREAS, the N. S. Alexander House was the centerpiece of one of the largest farms in Mecklenburg County in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries; and

WHEREAS, the N. S. Alexander House is one of the finer local examples of an imposing turn of the century farmhouse which embodies elements of the Queen Anne and Colonial Revival styles and which has experienced minimal alterations; and

WHEREAS, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission has demonstrated the historic significance of the property known as the "N. S. Alexander House"; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the "N. S. Alexander House" was vested in fee simple to Ida Moore Alexander (Estate File 78-E-1927) is administered by First Union National Bank as Executor.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Charlotte, North Carolina:

1. That the interior and exterior of the property known as the "N. S. Alexander House" is hereby designated as historic property pursuant to Part 3B, Article 19, Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina. For purposes of description only, the location of said property is noted as being situated at 4601 Shamrock Drive in Charlotte, North Carolina, and on Parcel Number 099-261-05A as recorded in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office.

2. That said designated property may be materially altered, restored, moved or demolished only following the issuance of a certificate of appropriateness by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission. An application for a certificate of appropriateness authorizing the demolition of said property may not be denied. However, the effective date of such a certificate may be delayed in accordance with Chapter 160A, Article 19, Part 3B, and amendments thereto and hereinafter adopted.

3. That nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent or delay the ordinary maintenance or repair of any architectural feature in or on said property that does not involve a change of design, material or outer appearance thereof, nor to prevent or delay the making of emergency repairs, nor to prevent or delay the construction, reconstruction, alteration, restoration, demolition or removal of any such feature when a building inspector or similar official certifies to the Commission that such action is required for the public safety because of an unsafe condition. Nothing herein shall be construed to prevent the property owner from making any use of this property not prohibited by other statutes, ordinances or regulations.

4. That a suitable sign be posted indicating that said property has been designated as historic property and containing any other appropriate information. If the owner consents, the sign shall be placed on said property. If the owner objects, the sign shall be placed on a nearby public right of way.

5. That the owners and occupants of the property known as the "N. S. Alexander House" be given the notice of this ordinance as required by applicable law and that copies of this ordinance be filed and indexed in the offices of the City Clerk, Building Inspection Department, Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds and the Tax Supervisor as required by applicable law.

6. That which is designated as historic property shall be subject to Chapter 160A, Article 19, Part 3B, and any amendments to it and any amendments hereinafter adopted.

Approved as to form:

Henry W. Underhill Jr.
City Attorney

C E R T I F I C A T I O N

I, Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of an Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in regular session convened on the 7th day of January, 1980, and the reference having been made in Minute Book 72 and recorded in full in Ordinance Book 28, pages 411 through 413.

WITNESS my hand and the coporate seal of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, this the 14th day of January, 1980.

Ruth Armstrong
Ruth Armstrong, City Clerk