Ordinance – Massey-Clark House

Ordinance designating as a Historic Landmark a property known as the “Massey-Clark House” (listed under Tax Parcel Number 21501203, and including the interior and exterior of the house, and the parcel of land as shown on the attached Exhibit A, listed under Tax Parcel Number 21501203 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office, Charlotte, North Carolina as of August 1, 2006) The property is owned by the Town of Matthews and is located at 232 North Trade Street in Matthews, North Carolina.

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

WHEREAS, the members of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Matthews, North Carolina, have taken into full consideration all statements and information presented at a joint public hearing held with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission on the 25th day of September, 2006, on the question of designating a property known as the Massey-Clark House as a historic landmark; and

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Historic Landmarks Com.
2100 Randolph Road
Charlotte, NC 28207
WHEREAS, the Massey-Clark House is one of the oldest extant buildings in Matthews; and

WHEREAS, in terms of the Town of Matthews, the Massey-Clark House is an excellent early example of hall-and-parlor style architecture; and

WHEREAS, the Massey-Clark House is an important remnant of a once rural small town community and is therefore reminiscent of a way of life that has virtually disappeared in Mecklenburg County; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the Massey-Clark House is owned by the Town of Matthews.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the members of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Matthews, North Carolina:

1. That the property known as the “Massey-Clark House” (listed under Tax Parcel Number 21501203, and including the interior and exterior of the house, and the parcel of land as shown on the attached Exhibit A, listed under Tax Parcel Number 21501203 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office, Charlotte, North Carolina as of August 1, 2006) is hereby designated as a historic landmark pursuant to Chapter 160A, Article 19, as amended, of the General Statutes of North Carolina. The location of said landmark is noted as being situated at 232 North Trade Street in Matthews, North Carolina. Features of the property are more completely described in the Survey and Research Report on the Massey-Clark House (2006).
2. That said interior and exterior are more specifically defined as the historic and structural fabric, especially including all original architectural features and the original contours of landscaping.

3. That said designated historic landmark may be materially altered, restored, moved or demolished only following issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission. An application for a Certificate of Appropriateness authorizing the demolition of said landmark may not be denied, except if such landmark is judged to be of State-wide significance by duly authorized officials of the North Carolina Division of Archives and History. However, the effective date of such Certificate may be delayed in accordance with Chapter 160A, Article 19, and amendments thereto, and hereinafter adopted.

4. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent or delay ordinary maintenance or repair of any architectural feature in or on said landmark that does not involve a change in design, material or outer appearance thereof, 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 owner of the historic landmark from making any use of the historic landmark not prohibited by other statutes, ordinances or regulations. Owners of locally designated historic landmarks are expected to be familiar with and to follow The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for
Rehabilitating Historic Buildings, the guidelines used by the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission to evaluate proposed alterations or additions.

5. That a suitable sign may be posted indicating that said property has been designated as a historic landmark and containing any other appropriate information. If the owner consents, the sign may be placed on said historic landmark.

6. That the owners of the historic landmark known as the Massey-Clark House be given notice of this ordinance as required by applicable law and that copies of this ordinance be filed and indexed in the offices of the Town Clerk, Building Standards Department, Mecklenburg County Register of Deeds, and the Tax Supervisor, as required by applicable law.

7. That the property which is designated as a historic landmark shall be subject to Chapter 160A, Article 19, of the General Statutes of North Carolina as amended, and any amendments to it and any amendments hereinafter adopted.
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Adopted the 25th day of September, 2006, by the members of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Matthews, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

Clerk to The Board

Approved as to form:

Town Attorney
Exhibit A

EXISTING BUILDING ENCR OACHES
OVER ADJACENT PROPERTY BY
.45 FEET

ASSUMED PROPERTY BOUNDARY
FOR EXISTING STRUCTURE AND
4 PARKING SPACES - APPROX
PROP. BOUNDARY AREA = 3,880 S.F.

29 PROPOSED SHAC
3 EXISTING SPACES

2 STORY
JUDITH A. GIBSON
REGISTER OF DEEDS, MECKLENBURG
COUNTY & COURTS OFFICE BUILDING
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