

Architectural Survey of Huntersville, North Carolina

Including the Town Limits and
Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction

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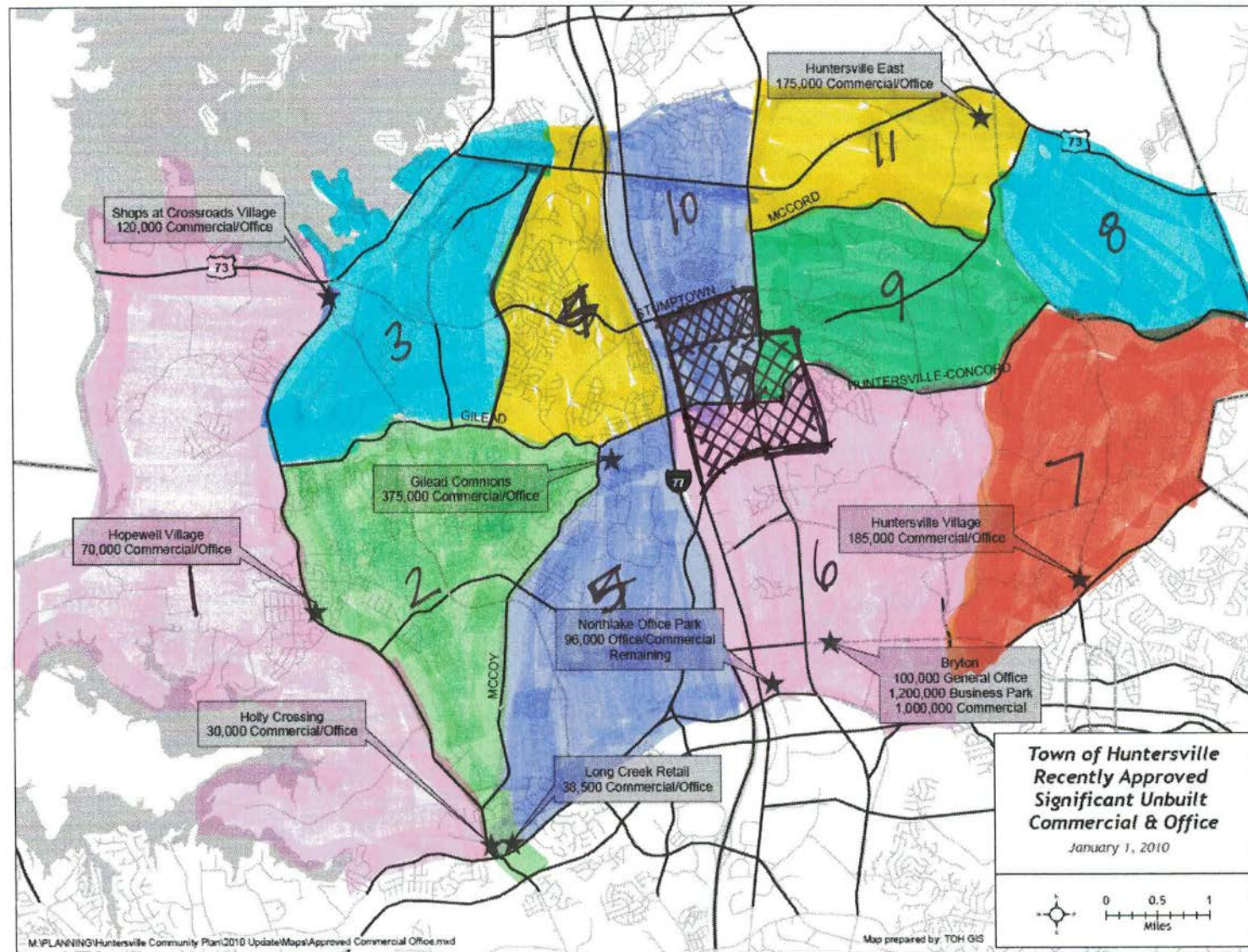


Objectives of the Survey

- Make information on potentially historic properties known to HLC staff
- Provide historic context for planning
- Expand upon previous surveys
 - Rural Mecklenburg County survey of 1987-1988 by SHPO
 - *Architectural Survey, Roadway Improvements, NC 115, N. Main Street, S. Main Street, and Gilead/Huntersville-Concord Road, Town of Huntersville, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina (2016)*

Survey Methodology

- Survey of properties conducted online utilizing a combination of Polaris and Google Earth/Maps.
- Photos of listed properties gathered from Polaris, Google Earth/Maps, and in-person.
- Property information input into Excel spreadsheet for database generated by HLC.




 downtown

Eligible Property Information

- Unique identifier number
- Name (if applicable)
- Address
- Description of property
 - Approximate date of construction
 - Number of stories
 - Type of exterior construction
 - Structure usage
- GPS coordinates
- Denoted if a property deserves more attention/potentially significant
- Miscellaneous information, including SHPO identifier number if previously surveyed

What makes a property eligible?

- Properties falling within the 50-year rule (built in or before 1968) were considered.
- All properties built before 1950 were surveyed.
- Properties after 1950 which showed interesting styles or typologies are included.
- Designated local landmarks were excluded.

Local Landmarks in the Huntersville ETJ

- Agricultural Building at Huntersville Elementary School
- Agricultural Building at Long Creek Elementary School
- Charles and Laura Alexander House
- Bank of Huntersville
- Bethesda Schoolhouse
- Blythe Homestead
- Caldwell Station School
- Cedar Grove
- Holly Bend
- Hopewell Presbyterian Church
- Huntersville Town Jail
- Ingleside
- Latta Place
- Lawing Farmhouse
- Ephraim Alexander McAuley House
- McAuley Road Farmhouse
- Albert McCoy Farmhouse
- McElroy House
- Oak Lawn
- Oehler House and Acreage
- Osbourne House
- Ranson House
- Rural Hill Plantation
- Torance House and Store
- Torrance Mill
- Torrence-Lytle School
- Walters Barbershop
- Wilson House and Farm

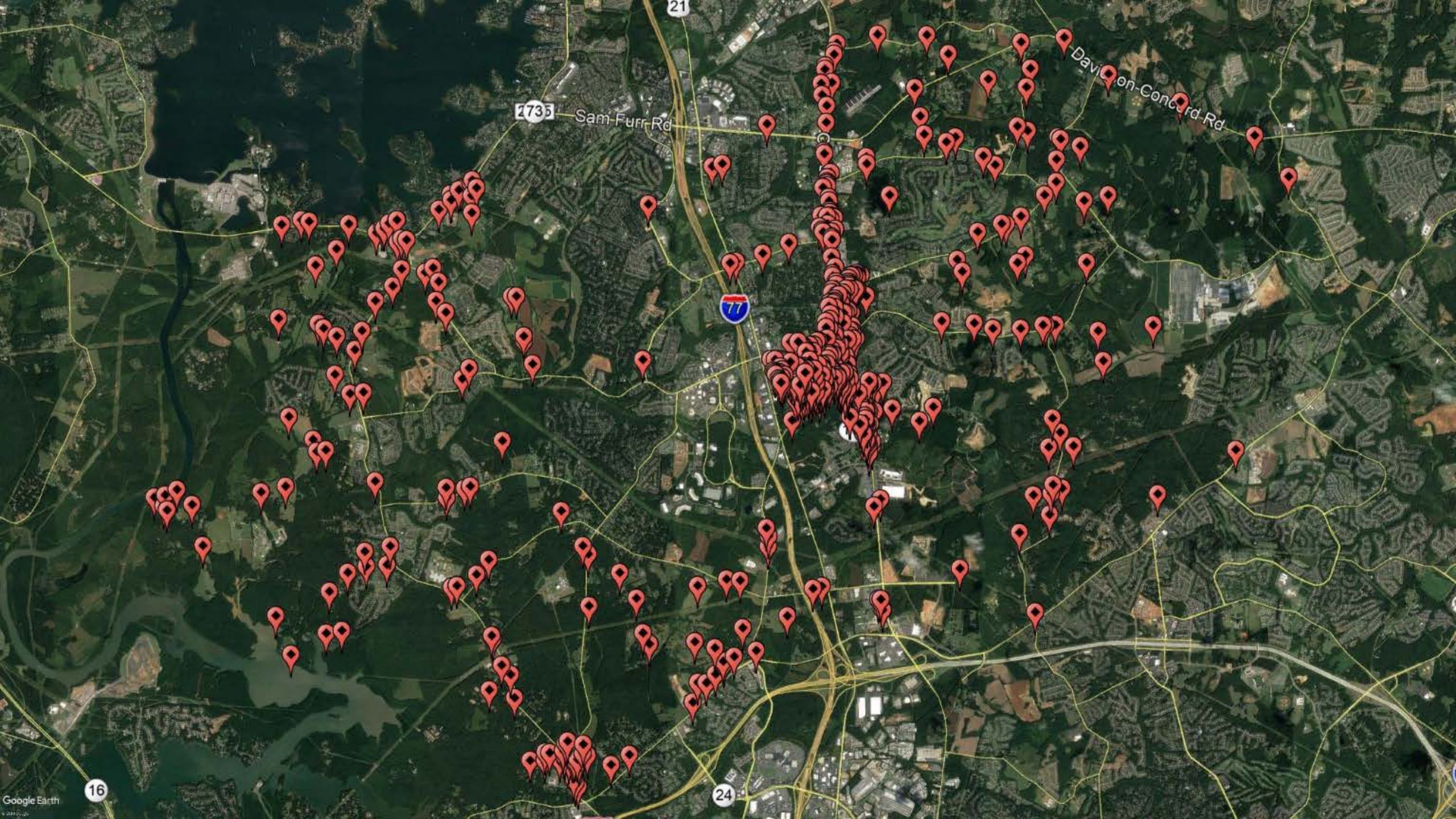
Identified Properties on HLC Study List

- 102 Main Street (5384)
 - 104 Main Street (5385)
 - 106 Main Street (5386)
 - Espy Alexander House (5209)
 - Caldwell Berry Farm (5070)
 - Bradford House (5296)
 - Rich Hatchet House (5273)
 - Potts House (5165)
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- These properties are included in the Survey.

Survey Results

- **575** properties have been identified as meeting the survey criteria.
- Two areas of interest have a density of eligible properties, both in downtown Huntersville
 - Anchor Mill Village
 - Greenfield Park (also originally known as Ranson's Pasture)

*Not to be considered only as a district but also as individual properties which best represent the context of the area.



2735

Sam Furr Rd

21

Davidson-Concord Rd

77

24

16

Types of Properties Identified

- Residential properties of various architectural styles
- Barns and other farm buildings, most associated with a residential property
- Various commercial properties
- Institutional properties, primarily consisting of schools and churches

Residential Architectural Styles

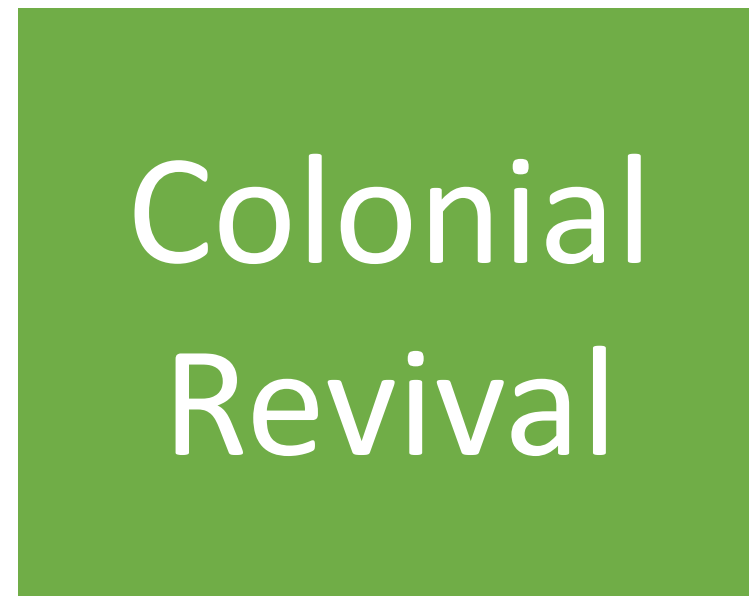
Craftsman





Folk Victorian











Building Typologies

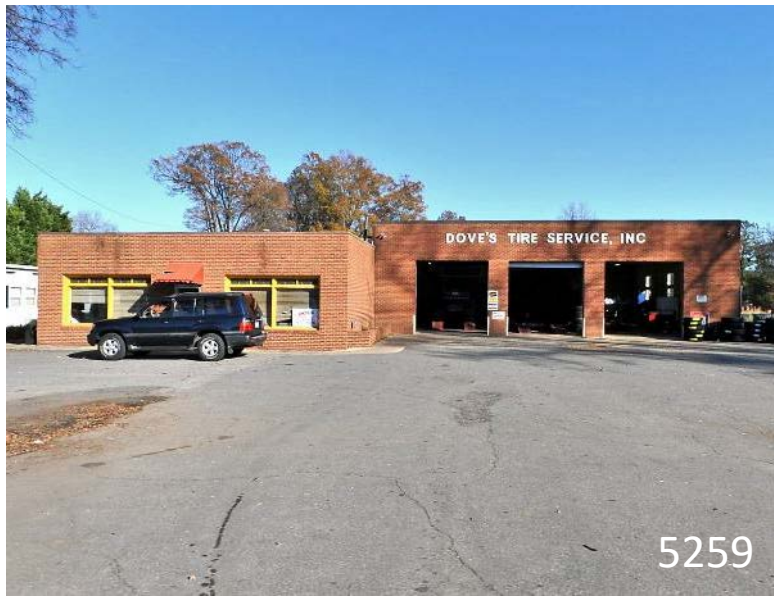
Other than Residences

Barns and Other Farm Structures





Commercial Buildings





Areas of Interest

With a High Density of Eligible Properties

Anchor Mill Village



Former Anchor
Mill site

Huntersville

Anchor Mill Village



Greenfield Park





5439

Greenfield Park



5442



5461



5472



5476

Notable Properties

These properties merit immediate study.

Notable Properties

- 5009 – W.B. Parks House
 - 5015 – James L. Lawing House
 - 5027 – Morris-Teague Log Cabin
 - 5033 – James B. Kidd House
 - 5046 – Stillwell-Hubbard Dairy Farm
 - 5047 – Stillwell-Hubbard House
 - 5060 – John Frank Houston House
 - 5073 – unnamed house
 - 5092 – Caldwell Rosenwald School
 - 5099 – Hager-Cook House
 - 5115 – Kerns House
 - 5126 – Sample-Joseph House
 - 5209 – Woodside Tenant House/Espy Alexander House
 - 5210 – Torrence-Lytle Community Center/Huntersville Rosenwald School
 - 5221 – Bradford Field Airport
 - 5239 – Brown House
 - 5262 – McCord House
 - 5271 – Cletus Brawley House
 - 5275 – Knox House
 - 5276 – S.E. Knox House
 - 5290 – Robert and Dorothy Lunsford Farm
 - 5297 – Mayes House
 - 5305 – William Orr Brown House
 - 5337 – Dr. Craven House
 - 5398 – Former Huntersville Public Library
 - 5401 – Auten Apartments
 - 5515 – Herman Brown House
 - 5516 – Darby-McAuley House
 - 5573 – Solomon L. Mullen House
 - 5575 – Frazier-Douglas House
- (30 in total)

W. B. Parks House (5009)

10331 Beatties Ford Road

Ca. 1901 two-story wood frame Folk
Victorian house

Constructed by local builder John Ellis
McAuley



James L. Lawing House (5015)

6620 Neck Road

Ca. 1909 two-story wood frame gable and wing Folk Victorian vernacular house

Lawing was a prominent farmer in the Long Creek area.



Morse-Teague Log Cabin (5027)

13246 Allison Ferry Road

Ca. 1947 one-story Rustic Revival gabled log house

Connected to Charlotte photographer
William Means Morse and local historian
Mildred Morse McEwen



James B. Kidd House (5033)

5720 Jim Kidd Road

Ca. 1912 two-story wood frame side-gabled house

Kidd was a well-known farmer in the Long Creek area whose farm was large and had many tenants.



Stillwell-Hubbard Dairy Farm (5046)

14720 Brown Mill Road

Ca. 1900s dairy farm buildings

Excellent example of a dairy farm in Mecklenburg County. The tractor shed (right) was destroyed by a thunderstorm in April.



Stillwell-Hubbard House (5047)

14809 Brown Mill Road

Ca. 1940 one-story brick side-gabled Tudor
Revival house

Very few Tudor-style residences in
Huntersville area, especially in the more rural
areas. Connected with dairy farm across the
road.



John Frank Houston House (5060)

9102 Beatties Ford Road

Ca. 1918 two-story side-gabled Neoclassical
vernacular house

Houston was a merchant and farmer in the
Long Creek area. His farm extended west of
Beatties Ford Road.



[Unnamed] House (5073)

13828 Beatties Ford Road

Ca. 1900 two-story wood frame hip-roofed
Colonial Revival house

Chain of title is quite convoluted; looks to be
connected with Arthur J. Alexander, son of
William Lee Davidson Alexander.



Caldwell Rosenwald School (5092)

15435 NC Highway 73

Ca. 1925 one-story wood frame front-gabled institutional building with additions

Currently used as a commercial building.



Hager-Cook House (5099)

7602 Oliver Hager Road

Ca. 1935 two-story wood frame side-gabled
Colonial Revival house with farm buildings

Farm buildings are in poor condition.



Kerns House (5115)

9929 Kerns Road

Ca. 1884 two-story wood frame side-gabled
I-house

Constructed by local builder John Ellis
McAuley



Sample-Joseph House (5126)

10323 Mt. Holly-Huntersville Road

Ca. 1880s two-story wood frame side-gabled house

Surveyed in 1987-1988 SHPO survey



Woodside Tenant House/Espy Alexander House (5209)

410 Dellwood Drive

Ca. 1890s one-story wood frame paired-gable house

Owned by J. F. Woodside from 1872 to 1911, the property was a tenant farm when he sold it (Mecklenburg County Deed Book 277, Page 476 – Woodside retained ability to collect 1911 rents from tenant on the 50 acres of property).

Listed on the HLC Study list as the Espy Alexander House; Alexander was a long-time owner of the property.



Torrence-Lytle
Community
Center/Huntersville
Rosenwald School (5210)

508 Dellwood Drive

Ca. 1928 one-story wood frame front-gabled
building

Former Huntersville Rosenwald School.



Bradford Field Airport (5221)

14100 Sims Road

Ca. 1960s turf runway, ca. 1960s-1970s metal frame airplane hangars, and ca. 1970s CMU side-gabled office

Only airport in the Huntersville ETJ.



Brown House (5239)

15131 Fred Brown Road

Ca. 1890s two-story wood frame side-gabled
I-house

House has good context and sits in the
middle of a wide-open pastured area.



McCord House (5262)

13312 McCord Road

Ca. 1900 two-story wood frame side-gabled
Folk Victorian vernacular house with addition



Cletus A. Brawley House (5271)

15701 Cletus Brawley Road

Ca. 1941 one-story wood frame front-gabled
Craftsman house

Brawley worked as a quiller at a cotton mill,
perhaps Anchor Mill. This property serves as
an example of the small farms kept by mill
workers in the area.



Knox House (5275)

17209 N. Old Statesville Road

Ca. 1890s one-story wood frame gable-front-and-wing Folk Victorian house

Knox family owned much land in this area.



S. E. Knox House (5276)

17303 N. Old Statesville Road

Ca. 1890s two-story wood frame side-gabled I-house

Great example of the I-house of this period.
Owned by part of the Knox family which
owned a great deal of land in the area.



Lunsford-Knox Farm (5290)

15401 Black Farms Road

Ca. 1967 one-story brick side-gabled Ranch house with ca. 1967 farm buildings

Great example of a post-WWII farm in Mecklenburg County.

46.6 acres, same size as when established as a farm.

Land currently for sale.



Mayes House (5297)

12000 Mayes Road

Ca. 1921 one-story wood frame side-gabled
gable-with-wing house

House sits right on the road, but has great
context with large pastured lands behind it.



William Orr Brown House (5305)

14403 Stumptown Road

Ca. 1911 one-story wood frame side-gabled
with center-front gable Colonial Revival
house

Example of early Colonial Revival farm house.
Property is snuggled between I-77 and U.S.
21, but still has 15 acres of unimproved land
behind it.



Dr. Craven House (5337)

103 N. Old Statesville Road

Ca. 1918 one-story wood frame hip-roofed
Colonial Revival house

Built probably by Dr. W. W. Craven and
owned by his brother Dr. Thomas Craven
from 1922 until his death in 1952. Both were
sons of Dr. Walter Pharr Craven, whose
house is a local landmark.



Former Huntersville Public Library (5398)

109 S. Old Statesville Road

Ca. 1956 one-story brick and wood frame
gabled commercial building

Designed by D.M. Mackintosh and Co. First
permanent library in Huntersville (previous
space had been rented).



Auten Apartments (5401)

117 S. Old Statesville Road

Ca. 1913 two-story brick flat-roofed duplex

Only multi-family property of this age and configuration in Huntersville.



Herman Brown House (5515)

402 S. Main Street

Ca. 1916 two-story wood frame hip-roofed
with front gable Queen Anne house

One of the few Queen Anne houses in the
Huntersville area.



Darby-McAulay House (5516)

400 S. Main Street

Ca. 1890s two-story wood frame Gothic Revival I-house

The only Gothic Revival house in the Huntersville area.

Possibly built by Ainsley and Laura Hunter Collins Darby, he being a former mayor of Huntersville. The house was later sold to W.C. McAulay.



Solomon L. Mullen House (5573)

106 S. Maxwell Avenue

Ca. 1900 one-story wood frame double-gabled Folk Victorian house

Mullen was a postmaster of Huntersville and operated Mullen's Drug Store (5385) on S. Main Street.



Frazier-Douglas House (5575)

502 S. Main Street

Ca. 1908 one-story wood frame gable-and-wing hip-roofed vernacular house

Built by Neal Calder and Sarah Robinson Frazier. Luther M. Sr. and Anna Douglas owned the house for 50 years.



Notable Properties

5009	5015	5027	5033	5046
5047	5060	5073	5092	5099
5115	5126	5209	5210	5221
5239	5262	5271	5275	5276
5290	5297	5305	5337	5398
5401	5515	5516	5573	5575

(30 in total)

Additional Properties Which Merit Attention

5003	5014	5016	5022	5028	5043	5044	5045	5049	5050	5054
5061	5070	5072	5078	5080	5083	5084	5087	5090	5091	5103
5104	5114	5116	5120	5127	5131	5146	5156	5157	5158	5165
5216	5218	5234	5238	5240	5252	5259	5260	5263	5267	5273
5288	5291	5292	5293	5296	5304	5309	5314	5315	5321	5324
5328	5333	5336	5338	5339	5340	5342	5348	5349	5350	5351
5352	5353	5355	5360	5361	5370	5372	5377	5378	5380	5384
5385	5386	5392	5393	5400	5402	5403	5305	5409	5412	5413
5414	5415	5440	5504	5505	5507	5509	5510	5519	5520	5524
5526	5541	5554	5555	5557	5560	5565	5566	5567	5568	5569
				5570	5571	5572				

(113 total)

Final Recommendations

- 30 properties called out in this presentation are good candidates to be added to the HLC Study List.
- 113 other properties merit further study or consideration.