

**Charlotte-Mecklenburg  
HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION  
Design Review Committee Minutes  
Location: 2100 Randolph Road, Charlotte, N.C.  
January 30, 2019  
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 8:42 a.m.**

**Present:**

**Mr. Matthew Benson  
Mr. David Gieser  
Mr. Garrett Nelson, Design Review Committee Chair (by telephone)  
Mr. Stefan Pienkny  
Mr. Kenneth Pursley  
Dr. Dan L. Morrill, HLC Consulting Director  
Mr. Stewart Gray, HLC Senior Preservation Planner**

**Absent:**

**Ms. Laura Hoover  
Mr. Victor Jones  
Ms. Catherine Weide  
Ms. Elizabeth Stuart, HLC Administrative Assistant**

**Visitors:**

**Ben Collins, Victor Shaw House  
Cynthia Gass, Victor Shaw House  
Sarah McElwee, Victor Shaw House  
Bill Palmer, Victor Shaw House  
Henrietta Palmer, Victor Shaw House  
Sally Teden, Victor Shaw House**

**1. Chair's Report: Garrett Nelson**

**Mr. Nelson attended the meeting by telephone. Mr. Nelson welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the members for their service on the Committee.**

**2. Consulting Director's Report: Dan Morrill**

**Dr. Morrill explained the function of the Design Review Committee in formulating recommendations on Certificates of Appropriateness for the Historic Landmarks Commission's consideration.**

**3. Senior Preservation Planner's Report: Stewart Gray**

**Mr. Gray stated that the Historic Landmarks Commission has the power to delay Certificates of Appropriateness for historic landmarks.**

**4. Request to reduce the delay of the effective date of COA 18-48 for the Demolition of the Victor Shaw House, 2400 Mecklenburg Avenue, Charlotte, N.C.**

Staff stated that the owner of the Victor Shaw House has requested that the delay of the effective date of the COA for Demolition of the Victor Shaw House be reduced from the current 365 days to 180 days.

Several visitors appeared before the Committee to request that there not be a reduction in the delay of the effective date of the COA for Demolition. The visitors reported that the house is for sale and that they are working to identify investors that would be interested in purchasing the property and retaining the historic house.

**MR. PURSLEY PRESENTED A MOTION SECONDED BY MR. GIESER THAT THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO THE HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION THAT IT NOT APPROVE THE PROPERTY OWNER'S REQUEST THAT THE CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR DEMOLITION FOR THE VICTOR SHAW HOUSE, 2400 MECKLENBURG AVENUE, CHARLOTTE, N.C., BE REDUCED TO 180 DAYS. THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION.**

**5. COA Application for the Torrence Lytle School, 302 Holbrooks Road, Huntersville, N.C.**

Staff stated that the Historic Landmarks Commission owns the Torrence Lytle School and is requesting approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish two 1950s wing buildings that are attached to the original 1937 school building. HLC Staff explained that it is requesting the two wing buildings be demolished due to their deteriorated condition.

**MR. GIESER PRESENTED A MOTION SECONDED BY MR. PURSLEY THAT THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE TABLE THE DECISION ON THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR DEMOLITION OF THE TWO WING BUILDINGS LOCATED AT THE TORRENCE LYTLE SCHOOL, 302 HOLBROOKS ROAD, HUNTERSVILLE, N.C., UNTIL A FUTURE MEETING OF THE DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MOTION.**

**6. Old Business**

There was no old business.

**7. New Business**

There was no new business.

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 a.m.