

Corrected  
8/84

April 16, 1984  
Ordinance Book 33 - Page 72

ORDINANCE NO. 1521-X

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS THE "OLD HOTEL CHARLOTTE" (INCLUDING THE INTERIOR OF THE POPLAR STREET LOBBY AND THE EXTERIOR OF THE BUILDING) AND THE LAND ASSOCIATED THEREWITH, AS HISTORIC PROPERTY, AT 231 W. TRADE STREET, CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, AND RECORDED ON TAX PARCEL NUMBER 073-012-01 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, as amended, of the General Statutes of North Carolina have been met; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Charlotte, North Carolina, has taken into full consideration all statements and information presented at a joint public hearing held with the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission on the 21st day of February, 1984, and the 21st day of March, 1984, on the question of designating the property known as the "Old Hotel Charlotte" (including the interior of the Poplar Street Lobby and the exterior of the building), and the land associated therewith as historic property; and

WHEREAS, the "Old Hotel Charlotte" was built by such prominent Charlotteans as Robert Lassiter, Edward Dilworth Latta, Julian H. Little, and Word H. Wood; and

WHEREAS, the property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the property played a pivotal role in Charlotte's growth as a major twentieth century southern economic center; and

WHEREAS, the property served as a symbol of Charlotte's growth as well as a show place for the city from 1924 until the late 1960's; and

WHEREAS, the property known as the "Old Hotel Charlotte" is vested in fee simple to Justice Investors of Charlotte, Inc.

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

1. That the property known as the "Old Hotel Charlotte" (including the interior of the Poplar Street lobby and the exterior of the building), and the

"Old Hotel Charlotte"

-2-

land associated therewith, 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 on a tract of property at 231 W. Trade Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, as recorded on Parcel Number 073-012-01 in the Tax Office of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.

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 may 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.

"Old Hotel Charlotte"

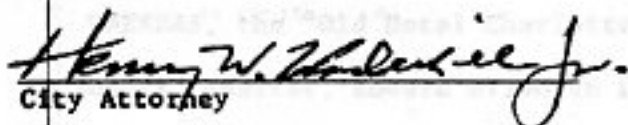
-3-

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 "Old Hotel Charlotte" 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:

  
City Attorney

CERTIFICATION

I, Pat Sharkey, 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 16th day of April, 1984, the reference having been made in Minute Book 82, and is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 33 at Pages 72-74.

WITNESS my hand and the corporate seal of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, this the 30th day of April, 1984.

Pat Sharkey, City Clerk