

MECKLENBURG COUNTY STREET ADDRESS ORDINANCE - Abridged

- Section I This ordinance shall apply to the unincorporated areas of Mecklenburg County.
- Section II It shall be the duty of each owner of the residential, institutional, or commercial buildings to display the proper street address number on the front thereof.
- Section III The County Engineer *shall* be responsible for assigning proper street address numbers. Property owners shall apply by telephone, Mail or in person to the County Engineering Department for the assignment of the proper address.
- Section IV** The following rules shall apply in the numbering of buildings: (these rules are over one page in length and will be furnished upon request).
- Section V Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of a notice from the County Engineer assigning an address to a particular building, the owner or occupant of the building shall erect or cause to be erected the assigned address. The displayed street address number shall be a *minimum* of three (3) inches high and shall be clearly legible from the nearest public travel way. Should the structure be too far from the travel way for reasonably sized numerals to be seen, the property owner shall also erect where the main driveway to the building intersects the public travel way an additional set of numerals which are to be legible from vehicles traveling at the prevailing speed on the roadway.
- Section VI *It* shall be unlawful for any person or corporation to remove or deface a street address that is displayed in accordance with Section V of this ordinance. It shall also be unlawful to allow an incorrect street address to remain on a building.

NUMBER. I

ORDINANCE NO, 1511

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTE CONCERNING STREET ADDRESSES.

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

1. Sections 17-35, 17-36, 17-37, 17-38, 17-39, 17-40, and 17-41 of the City Code of the City of Charlotte shall be and are hereby repealed.

2. A new ordinance is hereby enacted to replace the foregoing which ordinance reads as follows:

SECTION 17-35

It shall be the duty of each owner of residential, institutional, or commercial buildings to display the proper street address number on the front thereof.

SECTION 17-36

The City Engineer shall be responsible for assigning proper street address numbers. Property owners shall apply by telephone, mail, or in person to the City Engineering Department for the assignment of the proper address.

SECTION 17-37

The following rules shall apply in the numbering of buildings:

A. The reference streets for numbering are:

- i.) North Tryon Street from Trade Street to Charlotte City Limit, thence along U.S. Highway 29 to the Cabarrus County Line.
- ii) South Tryon Street from Trade Street to Camden Road; thence along Camden Road to the Southern Railroad; thence along the Southern Railroad south to the beginning of Nations Ford Road; thence along Nations Ford Road to the York County Line.
- iii) West Trade Street from Tryon Street to Rozzells Ferry Road; thence along Rozzells Ferry Road to Valleydale Road; thence along Mount Holly Road to the Gaston County Line.

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- iv) Ease Trade Street from Tryon Street to South McDowell Street; thence along South McDowell Street to East Fourth Street; thence along East Fourth Street to Randolph Road; thence along Randolph Road to Sardis Road; thence along Sardis Road to Pineville-Matthews Road; thence along Pineville-Matthews Road to John Street in Matthews; thence south along John Street to Monroe Road; thence along Monroe Road to the Union County Line.
- B. Streets intersecting these streets shall begin at: number 100, the second block. begin at number 200, the third block,; begin at number 300, and so on.
- C. Going away from these reference streets the even numbers shall be on the right hand side and the odd numbers on the left hand side.
- D. Lots which do not have frontage on the street being numbered but achieve access off that street shall be numbered based on where their access intersects the street.
- E. Other streets not intersecting reference streets and streets which are not extensions which intersect these reference streets shall, on the end of the street nearest a reference street begin with a block number which corresponds with an adjacent parallel street which does intersect: one of these reference streets. and the same system of numbering the block is to be followed out as noted in paragraph B. assigning a new 100 (or block number) to each block. If a block is eight hundred (800) feet long or more with no intersecting street in between, then a new block number shall begin at the most logical place for a street to be cut through it, or half way between the long block corners. or, if the street is long enough without intersecting streets, then new block shall begin at intervals of five hundred (500) feet.
- F. A new block number is to be assigned to each block that enters the street being numbered. regardless of whether the street continues across it, and the block number shall change directly opposite the point where this dead end street enters the street being numbered. In case of a slight offset in intersection street, then the block number will change at the street intersections instead of directly opposite each entering street.
- G. Upon annexation by the City of Charlotte, city streets shall be extended to the new city limits and property owners shall receive street name change notification from the City Engineering Department.

SECTION 17-38

Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of a notice from the City Engineer assigning an address to a particular building the owner or occupant of the building shall erect or cause to be erected the assigned address. The

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displayed street address number shall be a minimum of three (3) **inches** high and shall be clearly legible from the nearest public travelway. Should the street be too far from the public travelway for reasonably sized numerals to be seen, the property owner shall also erect where the main driveway to the building intersects the public travelway an additional set of numerals which are to be legible from vehicles traveling at the prevailing speed on the roadway.

SECTION 17-39

It shall be unlawful for any person or corporation to remove or deface a street address which is displayed in accordance with Section 17-38 of this ordinance. It shall also be unlawful to allow an incorrect street address to remain on a building.

SECTION 17-40

If any person shall violate any provision of this ordinance, he or she shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) or be imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days. Each day's violation of any provision of this ordinance shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 17-41

Whenever local improvements are made under assessment procedures along both sides of a corner lot at the same time or within a period of ten (10) years, such corner lot, if used for residential purpose, or if undeveloped and zoned for residential use, shall be exempt from a second assessment within a ten (10) year period in an amount equivalent to the cost assessable against (1) seventy-five percent (75%) of the frontage last improved, or (2) if improved at the same time, seventy-five percent (75%) of the longest frontage, or (3) in either case, the per front foot cost of such improvement to the fifty (50), whichever is less. The cost of such exemption shall be borne by the City.

3. This ordinance shall become effective May 1, 1984.

Read, approved and-adopted by the City Council of the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, in regular session convened on the 26th day of March, 1984, the reference having been made in minute Book 81, and is recorded in full in Ordinance Book 33 at Page 55-57.

Pat Sharkey
City Clerk

Sec. 19-99. Owner or occupant's duty to number upon notice.

Within thirty (30) days of the receipt of a notice from the county engineer assigning an address to a particular building, the owner or occupant of the building shall erect or cause to be erected the assigned address. The displayed street address number shall be a minimum of three (3) inches high and shall be clearly legible from the nearest public travel way. Should the structure be too far from the public travel way for reasonably sized numerals to be seen, the property owner shall also erect where the main driveway to the building intersects the public travel way an additional set of numerals which are to be legible from vehicles traveling at the prevailing speed on the roadway.

(Code 1961, § 17-38; Ord. No. 1511, § 2, 3-26-84; Ord. No. 2294, § 3, 10-12-87)

Sec. 19-100. Removing, defacing or allowing incorrect numbers to remain.

It shall be unlawful for any person to remove or deface a street address which is displayed in accordance with section 19-99 of this article. It shall also be unlawful to allow an incorrect street address to remain on a building.

(Code 1961, § 17-39; Ord. No.1511, §2, 3-26-84)

Sec. 19-101. Enforcement; penalties.

A violation of this article shall also be a violation of the city's fire code. Fire inspectors and fire officers of the rank of captain or above shall be responsible for the enforcement of this article, and a violation thereof shall be subject to the penalties provided for in sections 8-5 and 8-6.

(Code 1961, § 17-40; Ord. No. 1511, § 2, 3-26-84; Ord. No. 2294, § 4, 10-12-87; Ord. No. 3787, § 4, 1-24-94)

Secs. 19-102--19-115. Reserved.

INTERLOCAL: .AGREEMENT

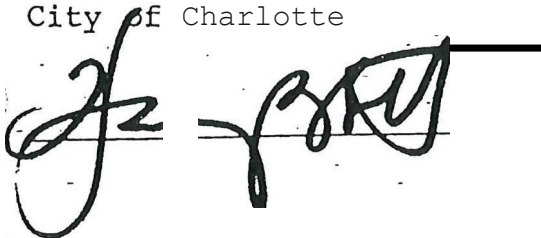
This Agreement between the City of Charlotte and the County of Mecklenburg.

W I T N E S S E T H

1. That as a result of the recent consolidation of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Building Standards Departments, most building related permits and approvals have been centralized in one location.
2. That it has become an inconvenience for citizens seeking building permits to have to travel from Building Standards to City Engineering to obtain their City street addresses.
3. That the City is willing to and does hereby delegate to the County and the County is willing to and does hereby accept - as part of the building permit process - responsibility for the initial assignment of street addresses according to the uniform addressing system adopted by the two governments in the County ordinance entitled Mecklenburg County Street Address Ordinance adopted September 19, 1983, and ordinance number _____ adopted by City Council on March 26, 1984 .
4. That the County will not issue certificates of occupancy until it has been certified that the street address numbers required under the City ordinance have been posted.
5. That the County will report all assignments of street addresses and certificates of occupancy within the City limits on a regular basis according to a schedule agreed by the respective staffs.
6. Mecklenburg County will accept responsibility for enforcement of the City ordinance. City Engineering will be apprised of actions taken as enforcement on an ongoing basis.
7. That this Agreement may be rescinded by either party upon sixty (60) days written notice to the other.
8. Actual transfer of authority to assign addresses shall occur May 1, 1984.

City of Charlotte

County of Mecklenburg



Sec. 19-98. Applicable rules.

The following rules shall apply in the numbering of buildings:

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- (4) Lots which do not have frontage on the street being numbered but achieve access *off* that street shall be numbered based on where their access intersects the street.
- (5) Other streets not intersecting reference streets and streets which are not extensions which intersect these reference streets shall, on the end of the street nearest a reference street begin with a block number which corresponds with an adjacent parallel street which does intersect one of these reference streets, and the same system, of numbering the block is to be followed out as noted in subparagraph (2), assigning a new 100 (or block number) to each block. If a block is eight hundred (800) feet long or more with no intersecting street in between, then a new block number shall begin at the most logical place for a street to be cut through it, or half way between the long block corners, or, if the street is long enough without intersecting streets, then new block numbers shall begin at intervals of five hundred (500) feet.
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- (7) Upon annexation by the city, city street names shall be extended to the new city limits and property owners shall receive street name change notification from the county engineering department.

(Code 1961, § 17-37; Ord. No. 1511, § 2, 3-26-84; Ord. No. 2294, § 2, 10-12-87).

Sec. 19-96. Required.

It shall be the duty of each owner of a residential, institutional or commercial building to display the proper street address number on the front thereof.

(Code 1961, § 17-35; Ord. No. 1511, § 2, 3-26-84)

Sec. 19-97. Assignment of numbers.

The county engineer shall be responsible for assigning proper street address numbers. Property owners shall apply by telephone, mail or in person to the county engineering department for the assignment of the proper address.

(Code 1961, § 17-36; Ord. No. 1511, § 2, 3-26-84; Ord. No. 2294, § 1, 10-12-87)