

## Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission Annual Report

Presented to the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners February 18, 2025

#### **Powers and Duties**

- Recommends designation of Historic Landmarks
- Administers design review for changes to Historic Landmarks
- Manages the purchase and sale of historic properties through the Revolving Fund
- With the Historic Landmarks Department, facilitates historic preservation throughout Mecklenburg County



#### Landmark Designations for 2024



**Parkwood Avenue ARP Church** 1017 Parkwood Ave, Charlotte c. 1929



**Thompson-Anderson House** 858 Concord Rd, Davidson c. 1936



#### Landmark Designations for 2024



#### John Phillips Little Jr. House 1136 Queens Rd, Charlotte c. 1915



Alexander-Howell House 250 Cherokee Rd, Charlotte c. 1929



#### Landmark Designations for 2024



John Eli Brattain House 305 S. Main St, Davidson c. 1883



Marion R. and Lavonne Marsh House 1642 Hertford Rd, Charlotte c. 1929



## Historic Landmarks Commission Landmark Designations for 2024



**Caldwell-Bradford School** 16401 Davidson-Concord Rd, Huntersville c. 1890s



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#### Armour Street Mill House 225 Armour St, Davidson c. 1912-1913

#### **Study List of Prospective Historic Landmarks**



Hunters Chapel United Methodist Church, Cornelius (c. 1961)

#### Approximately 15 Properties Added in 2025

- Jenkins-Houston House, Davidson (c. 1926)
- Junior League Baby House, Charlotte (c. 1929)
- Armour Street Theater, Davidson (c. 1960)
- Ziglar-Bowers House, Charlotte (c. 1923)
- Dr. Charles Sifford Golf Course & Club House, Charlotte (c. 1930, 1951)



#### **Design Review for Certificates of Appropriateness (COA)**

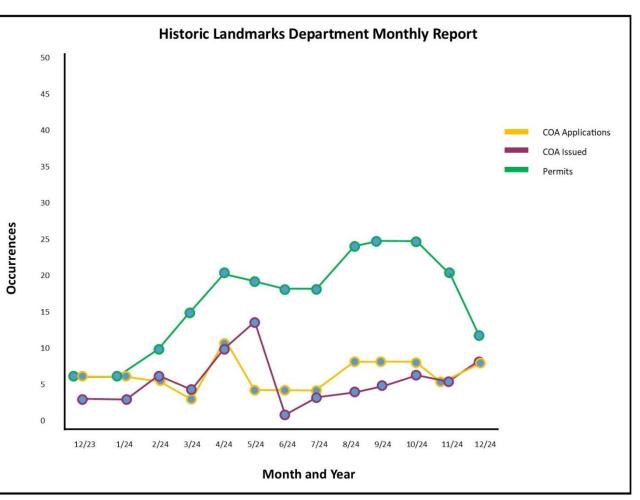
#### 2024 Design Review Summary

- $\circ$  COA Applications 72
- COAs Issued 72
- Building Permits Issued 213
- Demolition COAs 4



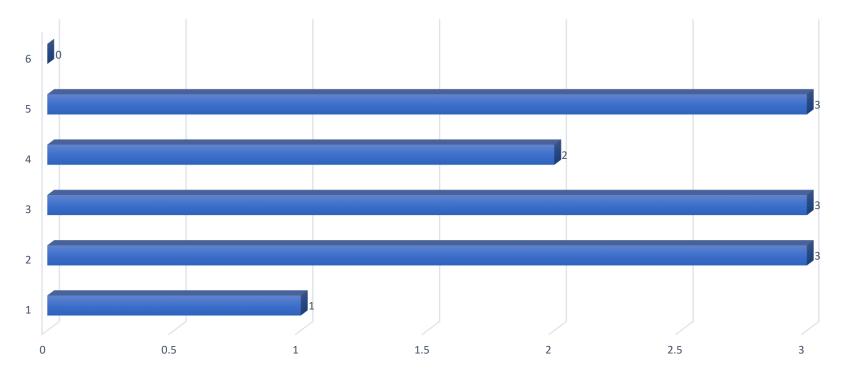


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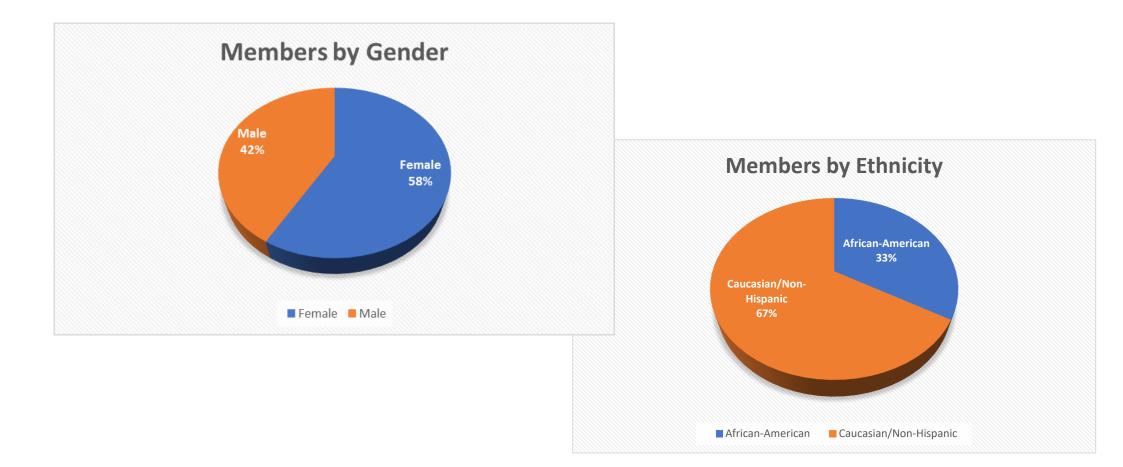
#### **Historic Landmarks Commission Representation**

**Members by County District** 





#### **Historic Landmarks Commission Representation**





#### **Historic Landmarks Staffing Changes**

After 28 years of practicing primarily intellectual property law, Tommy switched careers and earned a Master's degree in history from UNC-Charlotte. He also holds degrees from UNC-Chapel Hill, Emory University School of Law, and what is now the University of Illinois at Chicago John Marshall Law School.

Tommy joined the Historic Landmarks staff in March 2024 as Historic Preservation Specialist, where he uses his public history knowledge to help protect Mecklenburg County's historic resources.

> **Tommy Warlick** Historic Preservation Specialist





#### **Community Outreach Efforts**





## Historic Landmarks Commission Community Outreach Efforts AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION



**Donovan Rypkema** November 2024

Left: Leaders Lunch

Right: DuBois Center Public Lecture and Discussion



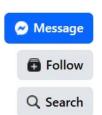


#### **Social Media Presence**





#### Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission





#### **Siloam School**

## **Supporting Our Partners**

Historic Landmarks Commission

#### **County Departments**

Park & Recreation LUESA AFM HR **Mecklenburg's Seven Municipal Jurisdictions** 

### Nonprofits

Preservation North Carolina Charlotte Museum of History Preserve Mecklenburg



St. Mary's Chapel





#### Supporting Our Customers

Residents and Property Owners

Communities

Churches & Cemeteries

Adaptive Reuse/Development

The largest inventory of Historic Landmarks of any County in North Carolina







#### Thank You!

#### **Questions?**



## **Advisory Board Budget Priorities**

1. An additional FTE in the Historic Landmarks Department ("HLD") to support the work of the Historic Landmarks Commission (the "HLC")

2. Additional funding for community outreach and engagement

3. Replenishment of the Revolving Fund



