

**AGENDA**  
CHARLOTTESVILLE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
Friday December 13, 2019 \* 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Neighborhood Development Services Conference Room \* 610 East Market Street

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- Call to order: [11:00 am; 15 minutes]
  - Intro guests
- Approval November 2019 meeting notes: [11:15 am; 5 minutes]
- Education: No items
- Public Commemoration: [11:20 am; 30 minutes]
  - Vinegar Hill Park
    - Update on subcommittee discussions and draft City Council resolution (attached)
    - **Action(s):** I move to approve the draft City Council resolution regarding the design of Vinegar Hill Park, as presented/as amended today, and to instruct staff to present it to Council for consideration.
  - Court Square Markers
    - Update on subcommittee discussions
    - **Action(s):** Next steps, if necessary
- Publications: [11:50 am; 10 minutes]
  - Downtown Walking Tour Map reprint (interim version)
    - Update on review of draft
    - **Action(s):** I move to approve for printing the interim version of the Downtown Walking Tour Map, as presented today. (Note: At Oct 2019 meeting the HRC approved an initial print of 2,000 copies.)
- Public Meetings: No items
- Special Projects: No items
- Other Business: [12:00 pm; 10 minutes]
  - Lewis, Clark, & Sacajawea statue
    - Staff update on November 15 City Council work session
    - Information only; no action
  - Pen Park Cemetery archeological examination
    - City Council approved allocation from NDS Small Area Plans funding. (See pages 110-26 of <https://www.charlottesville.org/home/showdocument?id=67390>)
    - Staff recommends HRC contribute to the \$9,319 project cost
    - **Action(s):** I move to allocate from HRC funds the amount \$\_\_\_\_\_ towards the examination of possible burials near the Gilmer/Craven/Hotopp Cemetery at Pen Park.

- 10<sup>th</sup> and Page neighborhood historic survey
  - Staff update on December 5 community meeting, etc.
  - Information only; no action
- Recap/Set Goals for 2020 Annual Meeting: January 10 & 17, 2020. [12:10 pm; 20 minutes]
  - Review/evaluate 2019 goals
  - Items for further discussion:
    - Redesign of Downtown Walking Tour Maps
    - Response to City Council request re: Slave Auction Block commemoration
    - HRC role in implementing Blue Ribbon Commission recommendations
    - Gundars Osvalds images
    - Other
- Adjourn [12:30 pm]

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### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Charlottesville Historic Resources Committee is to advocate for historic preservation; to promote an appreciation of local historic resources, both tangible and intangible; and to encourage and coordinate, with appropriate municipal agencies, civic organizations, institutions and individual scholars, the documentation and interpretation of local history.

The Charlottesville Historic Resources Committee achieves its mission through:

- Education
- Public commemoration (historic plaques, signs, markers, and civic festivals and ceremonies)
- Publications (maps, brochures, tour books, and digital media)
- Public meetings (planning sessions, workshops, and lectures)
- And through other means.

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**RESOLUTION**

**The design and reconstruction of the area of the Downtown Pedestrian Mall designated for Vinegar Hill Park.**

WHEREAS, the City's Historic Resources Committee has recommended that, in commemoration of the historical significance of the Vinegar Hill neighborhood, a portion of the public right of way at the west end of the *Downtown Pedestrian Mall should be reserved, landscaped, interpreted, and improved as an area to be known as Vinegar Hill Park*; and

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville Historic Resources Committee has determined that the historic Halprin Associates Plan envisioned near this location a Vinegar Hill Park, it is acknowledged that such a park was not further designed or realized with the implementation of the mall improvements; and

WHEREAS, City Council adopted a resolution on December 5, 2016, to *reserve a portion of the Downtown Pedestrian Mall, as defined in City Code Sec. 28-2(b), as an area to be named Vinegar Hill Park*; and

WHEREAS, the developer of the Center of Developing Entrepreneurs (CODE) Center, a new development to be constructed adjacent to the proposed Vinegar Hill Park location, will, in the required repair of the mall segment disturbed during construction, reconstruct segments so as provide ADA accessibility here and to the mall;

WHEREAS, the Charlottesville Historic Resources Committee recommends that the City allocate funding towards a community-driven process including a wide range of stakeholders to produce a professionally-developed design for the Vinegar Hill Park;

WHEREAS, the subsequent implementation and construction of Vinegar Hill Park will be in full accord with provisions and conditions of the aforementioned December 5, 2016 resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Charlottesville City Council directs city staff to issue a Request for Proposals towards the community-driven process including a wide range of stakeholders to produce a professionally-developed design for the Vinegar Hill Park that is respectful of the history of the Vinegar Hill neighborhood.

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