

**HISTORIC RESOURCE TASK FORCE**  
**May 8, 2002 - 3:30 P.M.**  
**BASEMENT CONFERENCE ROOM**

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Charlottesville Tour Book Status
3. Discussion of New State Historic Markers
4. Discussion of Local Markers
5. Historic Court Square Status Report
6. Other Business

Please bring your write ups for state and local markers. These were agreed upon in January 2002.

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*Historic Resource Task Force  
Minutes  
April 10, 2002*

**Present:**

Helena Devereux  
Mark Beliles  
Winston Churchill Gooding  
Satyendra Singh Huja

**Minutes:**

Mr. Huja stated that three local historic markers would be placed on the sites by the end of April. It was suggested that Mr. Beliles and Ms. Devereux do a final review of the text before the installation.

Mr. Huja indicated that construction drawings have been sent to VDOT for the Court Square project. In the last month he has spoken to Judge Peatross, Albemarle County Sheriff Ed Robb, the Albemarle County Executive, the City Manager and the project committee to resolve any remaining issues. Mr. Huja also indicated that the Albemarle County Supervisors and the City Council representatives have met to discuss additional parking for the court facilities. Preliminary plans call for fifteen additional public parking spaces and three additional courts related parking spaces.

Three state historic markers have been installed; they are "Georgia O'Keeffe" on Wertland Street, "The Farm" on Jefferson Street and "Bell vs. Buck" on Preston Avenue. Mr. Beliles stated that we should have an unveiling ceremony for these markers.

There was a discussion of the Jefferson School State historic marker. Ms. Devereux stated that the wording is still being worked out with the state. Mr. Gooding suggested that the alumni of the Jefferson School should contribute to the sign.

Mr. Huja stated that he has requested a local historic marker for the "Inges" building on West Main Street. He will bring the information to the Historic Task Force next month.

Ms. Devereux indicated that as she was walking one of the tours in the tour book, she heard different stories and facts about the houses in the neighborhoods. She has conveyed this information to Rick Britton.

Mr. Beliles commented that Jenny Keller, an Architectural Historian, should be recommended to City Council for appointment to the Historic Resource Task Force. He also suggested that people who do not attend the meetings should be deleted from the list. Mr. Huja commented that he would follow up on this.

Mr. Beliles commented that next year the oldest buildings in Court Square would be 200 years old. He suggested that this would be a good opportunity for an anniversary celebration, along with the completion of the Court Square project.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30pm. The next meeting will be May 18, 2002.

## REVISED MINUTES

### *Historic Resources Task Force Minutes February 13, 2002*

#### **Present:**

Mary Hill Caperton  
Rick Britton  
Ben Ford  
Winston Churchill-Gooding  
Ingrid Smyer-Kelley  
Helena Devereux  
Lynn Heetderks  
Mark Beliles  
Satyendra Singh Huja

#### **Minutes:**

The minutes of January 9, 2002 were adopted.

Mr. Huja presented a request for a state historic marker, acknowledging a Supreme Court case "Buck vs. Bell", dealing with eugenic sterilization laws in Virginia. This sign is proposed by Mr. Paul Lombardo, (attached is the description). They are proposing to locate this sign in front of the Region Ten Office on Preston Avenue. Mr. Ford stated that it is important to acknowledge this landmark case. Mr. Britton stated that the Nazi's in WWII had a number of trials that used this Virginia law to justify their behavior. He stated that the person involved in this case was associated with Venable School. Ms. Devereux stated that the sign would be better off at Venable School or Oakwood Cemetery where Carrie Buck is buried. She also commented that it could be placed where she lived. After a lengthy discussion, it is the committee's recommendation, that the title of the marker should include the subject, so it would be easy to understand. There was no consensus on the location. Mr. Huja is to convey these comments to the Virginia Historic Resources Department.

Mr. Huja gave the Historic Court Square status report, indicating that construction for the project will begin July 2002 and will take 12 months.

Mr. Britton reported on the tour book status, indicating that they are close to finishing the text. They are currently working on the cover design and hope to have it at the printers by the end of February. It was agreed that Ms. Devereux, Ms. Caperton and Ms. Smyer-Kelly would walk the tours to check for accuracy and will mail their comments to Mr. Britton.

The State Markers for next year were discussed. It was agreed that everyone would have draft languages of his or her marker by March 13<sup>th</sup>. There was a discussion of additional state markers, one which would recognize Walter Reed, who is associated with the UVA Medical School and the other which is associated with Three Notch'd Road from Woolen Mills to the City. Mr. Huja stated that we already have a marker for Three Notch'd Road.

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Mr. Huja shared the mark-up of the local markers. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that we should go ahead with the markers that are 130 square inches in size (14.536 inches x 9 inches). These markers would cost \$290.00 per marker, as well as installation. A motion was made by Mr. Gooding and seconded by Ms. Caperton to proceed with the local markers with the above specifications. Motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Beliles commented that the next Lewis and Clark festival would be May 11, 2002.

Mr. Beliles stated that he has presented the idea of a local marker, at the George Rogers Clark statue, to Sons of the American Revolution.

There was a discussion as to whether the Historic Resources Task Force, should be discussing the issues of the preservation of Jefferson School. Mr. Huja stated that there is no plan to demolish the school. Mr. Ford commented that the Preservation Piedmont and the alumni of Jefferson school are involved in thinking about the future of the school. Ms. Devereux stated that we should liaison with the community group that is working on Jefferson school. She also suggested that we might wish to put a local marker on the school. After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that the task force would discuss this in March.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:30pm. The next meeting will be March 13, 2002.