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From: Wake County Government
Department of Housing Affordability and Community Revitalization
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To: All Interested Agencies, Groups, and Persons

Re: Notice of Intent to Enter into Programmatic Agreement with
North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office

This notice serves to inform the public and citizens of Wake County that Wake County Government (County) is in consultation with the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (NCSHPO) to develop a Programmatic Agreement (PA) that will streamline the Section 106 review process for County-administered projects funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, HOME Investment Partnership Program Act (HOME), and the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) programs. The proposed five-year agreement will be in effect for the 2019-2020 through the 2023-2024 fiscal years. This letter also extends an invitation to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation to take part as a concurring party to this PA.

The attached proposed PA is a contract between the County and NCSHPO stipulating specific measures that must be implemented adequately to avoid or satisfactorily mitigate any adverse effect on historic properties. These specific measures are outlined in the PA as the following:

- Qualifications of County Staff
- Identification of Historic Properties
- Exempt Activities
- Rehabilitation and New Construction
- Adverse Effects
- Archaeology
- Project Documentation and Recordkeeping
- Dispute Resolution
- Agreement Modification and Termination
- Notice

Further, the PA demonstrates the County's intent to comply with the historic review part of the HUD-mandated environmental review process.

Additionally, the County has invited the Wake County Historic Preservation Commission (WCHPC) and the Catawba Indian Nation Tribal Historic Preservation Office (CINTHPO) to be concurring parties to this PA, should they accept. It should be noted, if any of the County's projects under this agreement involve ground disturbance, then the County will contact CINTHPO, asking them to conduct a review for each project that meets this criterion.

It is the County's request to partner with Capital Area Preservation (CAP) to act as the Certified Consultant on all historic work carried out by this PA. Our partnership with CAP will allow the County to maximize its limited resources by leveraging CAP's area of ability to conduct the Historic Review on our behalf. Additionally, the County has confidence knowing that CAP will meet the compliance rules set by the Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualification Standards.

Lastly, the County will post this notice of the proposed agreement on or around September 11, 2019, along with a copy of the PA. This notice will be posted for a minimum of 30 days on the County's website and at the local municipality's public office locations.

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