Charlotte Historic District Commission October 10, 2012 Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY	400 West Eighth Street, Fourth Ward Local Historic District	HDC 2012-114
SUMMARY OF REQUEST	Driveway Expansion	
OWNERS	Robert and Lexin Murphy	
APPLICANT	Lexin Murphy	

Details of Proposed Request

• Widening of existing driveway – see attached Application for a Certificate of Appropriateness

Relevant HDC Design Guidelines

• Parking, Paving and Driveways

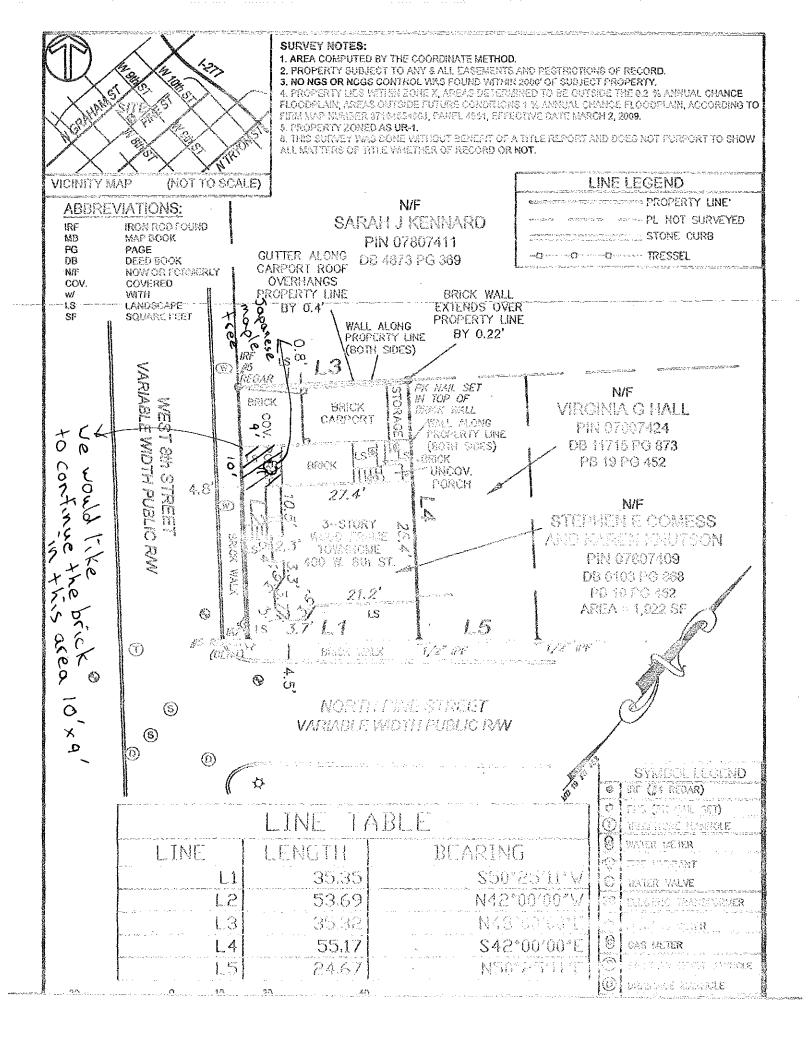
Relevant Secretary of Interior's Standards for Historic Rehabilitation

(As cited in the Charlotte Zoning Ordinance Section 10.210)

- (i) New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.
- (j) New additions and adjacent or new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.







400 W 8th Street Project Robert and Lexin Murphy

Details of Proposed Project:

We would like to continue the brick pattern in our patio area all the way to the sidewalk. We would match the existing brick, so as to maintain consistency. The section we would brick is 10 feet across by nine feet deep and currently contains landscaping that includes a Japanese maple tree and lattice divider. The maple tree is approximately 5 inches in diameter and nine feet tall, so it does not contribute to the neighborhood tree canopy. Also, we have not seen any other Japanese maples in the neighborhood, so it does not appear to be a tree that was historically found in the area. We are also maintaining two large shade trees along our east property line on Pine Street, so the removal of the maple would not leave our lot without vegetation or shade. Finally, we just wanted to mention that while our townhouse is located in a historic district, it was actually constructed in 1981. So the proposed changes would not alter any actual historic details.

