MANDATORY REFERRAL REPORT NO. 99-15 CHARLOTTE-MECKLENBURG PLANNING COMMISSION PURCHASE OF HOUSE AND PROPERTY IN FLOODPLAIN JUNE 1999

PROJECT LOCATION

The project is located at 233 Wellingford Street (see attached tax map) on 0.172 acres of land.

PROPOSAL

The City is proposing to purchase the property, which is located in the floodplain of Little Sugar Creek, as a part of the Flood Hazard Mitigation Program.

PROJECT JUSTIFICATION

The Flood Hazard Mitigation Program will eliminate structures located in the flood plain. The program is voluntary. No person will be forced to sell his/her property. Once the property is purchased, it will then become greenway land and remain undeveloped.

RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROJECTS

The property is located in the Northeast District. The Northeast District Plan calls for a single family residential use for this property. No transportation improvements are proposed in the area.

PROJECT IMPACT

The purchase of this site will eliminate the possibility of the subject property to ever be developed upon, as it will become greenway, flood land. The Flood Hazard Mitigation Program is solely intended to protect land within the floodway from storm water or flooding related damages.

PROJECT COST

The tax value of the property is assessed at \$48,600. Funds to purchase the property will come from Federal Emergency Management and HUD, pending approval of a grant to be submitted by the County.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends for approval of the purchase of this land for the purpose of flood mitigation.

PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Planning Committee voted unanimously in approval of the purchase of the site.

