



Albemarle County

Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Historic Inventory

SUBJECT/PROPOSAL/REQUEST: Inventory of historic assets throughout the County

ITEM TYPE: Regular Information Item

STAFF CONTACT(S): Walker, Letteri, Kamptner, Maliszewski

PRESENTER (S): Bill Letteri, Greg Kamptner

LEGAL REVIEW: Not Required

REVIEWED BY: Douglas C. Walker

BACKGROUND: Since spring 2016, Charlottesville City has faced controversy over the presence of Confederate monuments on its property. Discussions on the historical value and context of various monuments and other historic resources are being scrutinized in localities throughout the United States. In light of questions about historic significance and role of local government regarding historic resources, this historic inventory can provide insight into the following historic resources located on Albemarle County Property, including: structures, monuments, cemeteries, and markers.

Through an overview of Albemarle County's historic resources, the Board may be better informed of the significance, background, and maintenance of historic property. Additionally, this inventory may provide important context to inform any action that may be taken by the Board regarding historic resources at a later time.

STRATEGIC PLAN: This work supports the County's vision: Albemarle County envisions a community with abundant natural, rural, historic, and scenic resources, healthy ecosystems, active and vibrant Development Areas, a physical environment that supports healthy lifestyles, a thriving economy, and exceptional educational opportunity for present and future generations.

DISCUSSION: This historic inventory is a presentation designed to inform the Board on the age, location, historic significance and County maintenance of select historic buildings, structures, monuments, cemeteries, and monuments situated on land owned or jointly owned by the County. The inventory includes more in-depth information on the Confederate monument located on Court Square due to the recent discussions about Confederate monuments on public land. The information on the Confederate monument requires no action on behalf of the Board and is meant to provide information on the context and legal status of the monument.

The inventory also includes information on historic resources, the status of historic districts listed on the National Register that are located within Albemarle County, the status of properties in Architectural Design Control districts, and the role of the Albemarle County Historic Preservation Committee. The inventory does not include every resource in a historic district but provides a sampling of some of the most significant historic

resources or contributing structures.

BUDGET IMPACT: There is no budget impact associated with this item.

RECOMMENDATION:

As this is an information item, no action is required or recommended. Staff welcomes further direction from the Board.