Request For Council Action

Action Requested:	Consideration of an Ordinance designating the property known as the William Sidney and Margaret Davis Abernethy House (listed under Tax Parcel Number 08911116 in the Mecklenburg County Tax Office and including the interior and exterior of the house, and the parcel of land listed under the tax parcel number) as an historic landmark.
Responsible Department:	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Landmarks Commission
Background:	The enclosed Survey and Research Report sets forth the factors which persuaded the Historic Landmarks Commission to recom- mend the designation of the William Sidney and Margaret Davis Abernethy House as an historic landmark.
Explanation of Re- quest:	The Historic Landmarks Commission functions to identify and safe- guard historic buildings, sites and places in Mecklenburg County. The essential means of achieving this goal is to recommend the des- ignation of such properties as historic landmarks. City Council is being asked to consider the William Sidney and Margaret Davis Abernethy House for designation as an historic landmark.
Deferrable Taxes:	Attached is a letter from the Mecklenburg County Tax Administra- tor stating that the subject property's deferrable taxes would be \$419.72 for City of Charlotte taxes, and \$730.45 for Mecklenburg County taxes.
Clearances:	The Department Review Process revealed that there are no conflicts with other City projects.
Bibliography:	Survey and Research Report on the William Sidney and Margaret Davis Abernethy House (2012)
Date Submitted:	September 4, 2015
Agenda Date Request- ed:	September 21, 2015
Consequences if Agen- da Date is delayed or Action is deferred:	Would delay historic designation of the William Sidney and Mar- garet Davis Abernethy House and thereby deprive the property of legal protection against inappropriate material alteration.
Contact Person:	Stewart Gray, Preservation Planner (704) 376-9115

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List of Attachments:	1. Descriptive Cover Sheet
	2. Draft of Ordinance
	3. Survey and Research Report on the William Sidney and Margaret Davis Abernethy House
	4. Letter from Tax Office providing amount of potentially deferrable Ad Valorem taxes
	5. Confirmation of vote of Historic Landmarks Commission
	6. Comment Summary of Department Review
	7. Letter from the State Historic Preservation Office