

Legacy Commission Recommendations

Monuments:

- Allow in cemetery settings, with installation of interpretive signage to explain the history of the Confederate memorials located.

Street Names:

- Change streets named for leaders of the Confederacy and white supremacists.

Neighborhoods and Developers:

- Support and encourage the efforts of neighborhoods and developers that petition for additional street name changes based on ties to slavery, the Confederacy, white supremacy or glorification of the Antebellum South.

Criteria for Naming New Streets:

- Recognize those who have had an important and positive impact on the city, state, or nation with priority to those with significant connection to Charlotte.
- Honor individuals who represent the diversity of the city's history, whose contributions have been overlooked in the past.
- Not name a street for a living person, must be deceased for a period of no less than five years.
- Establish a standard for weighing morally repugnant past deeds and words against any important and positive impact the individual had on the city, state, or nation.
- Loosen street-naming policies, to allow for streets to carry both first and last names.
- Review street naming and renaming proposals in consultation with local historians.

Opportunities for Future Commemoration:

- Educate residents about Charlotte's ties to slavery, the Confederacy, and white supremacy, and how the legacy of slavery and segregation continue to impact people's lives and shape the community today.
- Reimagine commemorative landscape to align with the values and diversity of today's Charlotte.