## FORSYTH COUNTY

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING DATE:	AUGUST 22, 2016	AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:	2-A&B
SUBJECT: A. PUBLIC HEARING ON LOCAL HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATION OF WALLER-JOYNER HOUSE, 9186 REYNOLDA ROAD, PFAFFTOWN, TAX BLOCK 4735, LOT 119  B. ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE WALLER-JOYNER HOUSE, 9186 REYNOLDA ROAD, PFAFFTOWN, TAX BLOCK 4735, LOT 119 A LOCAL HISTORIC LANDMARK  COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:			
SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:			
Application has been submitted by Jonathan and Suzanne Hanna for the Waller-Joyner House located at 9186 Reynolda Road in Pfafftown.			
The Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission reviewed the subject application at its regular monthly meeting on July 6, 2016, and found the property to be a significant example of Forsyth County's architecture and culture that possesses integrity of location, design, setting, material, and workmanship and feeling. The house was constructed at its current location in circa 1770 by Henry and Sarah Waller. The house and various outbuildings sit upon a 12.56 acre parcel that was part of a much larger farm owned by successive generations of the Waller and Joyner families. The Waller-Joyner House is significant because it contains two of Forsyth County's oldest extant hewn log dwellings, and it demonstrates the continued use of traditional building practices and the utilization of available resources as early settlers established farms in the Piedmont area.			
The property was found by the Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission to meet or exceed all standards and guidelines established by the Commission to warrant local designation. The Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission recommends adoption of the ordinance designating the entire exterior and interior of the house, meat curing house, corncrib/chicken coop/equipment shed, barn, shed, tobacco barn and the entire tax block and lot upon which they sit as a Local Historic Landmark.			
ATTACHMENTS:	X YES NO		
SIGNATURE:	COUNTY MANAGER	DATE:	

## ORDINANCE DESIGNATING THE WALLER-JOYNER HOUSE, 9186 REYNOLDA ROAD, PFAFFTOWN, TAX BLOCK 4735, LOT 119 A LOCAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites to the adoption of this ordinance as prescribed by Chapter 160A, Article 19, Part 3C of the North Carolina General Statutes have been met; and

WHEREAS, the Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission has submitted a report, which is incorporated herein by reference, and deems and finds the Waller-Joyner House to be of special significance in terms of its historical, architectural, and/or cultural importance, and to possess integrity of design, setting, workmanship, materials, feeling and/or association and recommends after conducting a separate public hearing that the property described below be designated a local historic landmark; and

WHEREAS, the City Council after conducting a separate public hearing determined that the property's preservation should be encouraged, and that the qualifying elements exist as set forth in the Historic Resources Commission report;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners as follows:

- Section 1. The following described property, owned by Jonathan and Suzanne Hanna, is hereby designated a local historic landmark: Waller-Joyner House, 9186
  Reynolda Road, specifically: the complete exterior and interior of the Waller-Joyner House, meat curing house, corncrib/chicken coop/equipment shed, barn, shed, tobacco barn and all of Tax Block 4735, Tax Lot 119 (PIN #5889-26-1464.00).
- Section 2. The review process provided by law shall be observed prior to demolition, alteration, rehabilitation, or removal of the designated property.
- **Section 3.** This ordinance shall be effective from and after its adoption.



Historic Resources Commission

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The Honorable Forsyth County Board of Commissioners 201 North Chestnut Street Winston-Salem, NC 27101

RE:

Local Historic Landmark Designation Waller-Joyner House

9186 Reynolda Road, Pfafftown

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

At its regular monthly meeting on July 6, 2016, the Forsyth County Historic Resources Commission held a public hearing regarding Local Historic Landmark Designation for the Waller-Joyner House, located at 9186 Reynolda Road in Pfafftown. Photos of the property and the complete staff report was presented. Below are excerpts from the staff report.

Staff finds that the property meets Section C of the Local Historic Landmark designation guidelines. The property is a significant example of Forsyth County's architecture and culture that possesses integrity of location, design, setting, material, workmanship and feeling.

The Waller-Joyner House was built at its current location in circa 1770 by Henry and Sarah Waller in what was, at that time, Surry County. The house and various outbuildings sit upon a 12.56 acre parcel that was part of a much larger farm owned by successive generations of the Waller and Joyner families. The dwelling's period of significance is circa 1770 to 1790 for the one-and-one half-story house and circa 1800 to 1820 for the two-story-house. The outbuildings are from the 1940s.

The Waller-Joyner House, which contains two of Forsyth County's oldest extant hewn log dwellings, demonstrates the continued use of traditional building practices and the utilization of available resources as early settlers established farms in the North Carolina Piedmont. The original house was most likely a one-and-one half-story, side-gable roofed, single-room log house. During the early nineteenth century, as the family grew and prospered, the Waller's constructed an adjacent two-story, side-gable-roofed log dwelling, which has a remarkably intact hall-parlor first-floor plan. The original one-room house functioned as a kitchen for much of its history and at some time in the 1940s was connected to the two-story residence by an L-shaped porch. The one-room building retains an enclosed corner stair and flush-board interior sheathing, while the two-story dwelling has a horizontal-board partition wall and an enclosed central stair with a straight run. Other significant elements include eighteenth-and nineteenth-century board-and-batten doors and hardware, double-hung wood-sash windows, and wide board doors.



The buildings were rehabilitated in 2015 and the scope of work included stabilization, foundation repair and reconstruction, basement excavation, twentieth-century siding removal, appropriate weatherboard fabrication, window and roof repair, porch and chimney replacement and interior and exterior painting.

There are no early outbuildings left constructed by the Wallers. However, there are five 1940s outbuildings built by the Joyner family, including a meat curing house, cornerib/chicken coop/equipment shed, barn, shed, and tobacco barn. The outbuildings are not contributing in the National Register nomination, however, staff believes that the five outbuildings help to tell the agricultural history and should be included in the landmark designation. These buildings do not compromise the overall setting or diminish the character of the house but they assist in evoking a sense of the historical character of farm life in the mid-nineteenth and twentieth centuries.

The house meets Section C of the Local Historic Landmark designation guidelines because of the rarity of comparable Forsyth County residences of this age, plan, and hewn V-notched log method of construction.

After consideration and discussion, the Commission voted to recommend designation of the entire exterior and interior of the Waller-Joyner House, meat curing house, corncrib/chicken coop/equipment shed, barn, shed, tobacco barn and the entire tax block and lot upon which they sit, (Tax Block 4735, Lot 119/PIN #5889-26-1464.00).

Sincerely,

Michelle M. McCullough Historic Resources Officer

**Enclosures** 

## Waller-Joiner House 9186 Reynolda Road, Pfafftown Local Historic Landmark Designation























