

November 2, 2015

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF IMPERIAL TOBACCO BUILDING AS A CITY OF DURHAM HISTORIC LANDMARK UNDER THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE, SECTION 3.16.4

- WHEREAS,** the City of Durham wishes to protect its historic resources by recognizing historic properties, pursuant to NCGS 160A-400.1, which allows for the creation of a Historic Landmark;
- WHEREAS,** Imperial Tobacco Building remains as an important example of early twentieth-century industrial architecture in Durham;
- WHEREAS,** Imperial Tobacco Building has been duly recognized as an important historical Durham asset;
- WHEREAS,** the owners have followed the appropriate procedures in applying for historic designation of their property;
- WHEREAS,** the Durham Historic Preservation Commission, after a properly-noticed public hearing, has found Imperial Tobacco Building is of special significance in terms of history, architecture, cultural importance, design, setting and workmanship, and meets the requirements of NCGS 160A-400.5, and the criteria in the Unified Development Ordinance, Section 3.16.4;
- WHEREAS,** the Durham Historic Preservation Commission has recommended the designation of Imperial Tobacco Building as a Historic Landmark;
- WHEREAS,** the City Council has, after notice, held a public hearing concerning the designation of Imperial Tobacco Building as a Historic Landmark;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is ordained that the Durham City Council designates the following as a Historic Landmark:

Property:	Imperial Tobacco Building
Location:	215 Morris Street
Parcel Number:	0821-08-88-3602
Owner:	Measurement Incorporated
Scope:	The entire exterior of the structure is part of this designation. The interior of the structures and the land are not included in this designation.

A Certificate of Appropriateness will be required for any alterations to the exterior of the properties. In addition, the owners may not demolish any of the building for 365 days from approval of a Certificate of Appropriateness unless the time period is reduced by the Commission pursuant to the Unified Development Ordinance and NCGS 160A-400.14.

This _____ day of November, 2015