

City of Greensboro

Melvin Municipal Building 300 W. Washington Street Greensboro, NC 27401

Legislation Text

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Resolution for City Council to Consider Support for the Highway Historical Marker Proposed on McConnell

Road at Willow Road in Greensboro or to Suggest Alternate Wording to the Proposed Marker

Department: Legal Council District: 2

Public Hearing: Not Applicable Advertising Date/By: Not Applicable

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PURPOSE: Ansley Herring Wegner, Administrator, North Carolina Highway Historical Marker Program, notified Mayor Vaughan by letter dated December 19, 2014, that the North Carolina Highway Historical Marker Advisory Committee, hereafter referred to as Committee, approved a marker bearing the following inscription:

Greensboro Massacre

Ku Klux Klan & American Nazi Party members, on Nov. 3, 1979, shot & killed five Communist Workers Party members one-tenth mile north.

It has been requested that the City of Greensboro let the North Carolina Highway Historical Marker Program know if the City Council supports the aforementioned marker as proposed or suggest alternate wording to the proposed marker.

BACKGROUND: The City Council may recommend changes to the wording of the marker. Due to space limitations on the marker, the wording must comply with strict criteria. "The heading or title consists of one or two lines of approximately sixteen letters or spaces to the line; m and w count as 1½ spaces; the text of the inscription is usually not more than five or six lines of approximately twenty-three letters and spaces each." (Attached as Exhibit A) Any changes to the text of the marker must go back to the Committee for review and approval. If the City Council wishes to propose alternate wording, Ms. Ansley Wegner told me she can probably notify the committee via email rather than waiting until the next meeting scheduled in May 2015.

BUDGET IMPACT: None.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED: Council is asked to consider support for the Historical Marker proposed on McConnell Road at Willow Road in Greensboro or suggest alternate wording to the

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proposed marker in accordance with the attached Resolution of Support.