

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Trustees of HISTORIC GEARLSTON FOUNDATION that certain plans as recommended for approval by County Council's Special Library Committee have been adopted by County Council and the Trustees of the Library for the creation of a new library building on Marion Square,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that HISTORIC GEARLSTON FOUNDATION is gratified that County Council has approved funds for a new and suitable library building, but, inasmuch as there appear to be differences of opinion as to the exterior design and style of the proposed building for this site, that the Foundation favors the setting up of working committee with other interested organizations to endeavor to solve the problem; and if necessary favors a public hearing for the purpose of determining the suitability of the exterior design to its setting.

February 14, 1958

THE PRESERVATION SOCIETY OF CHARLESTON

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February 12, 1958

Mr. Ben Scott Whaley, President
Historic Charleston Foundation
51 Meeting Street
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Ben:

The purpose of this letter is to enlist the cooperation and assistance of the Foundation in getting the Library Committee and County Council to reconsider the plans for the Library to be erected on the site of that portion of the old Citadel which is presently being torn down.

I am sure that you have followed developments closely in the newspaper, and that you and your Foundation agree that the proposed structure certainly would not be the best, architecturally or aesthetically. ^{but} You perhaps saw the statement in the newspaper a week or so ago about Berkeley Grimball as First Vice-President of the Preservation Society. We are now contacting the Chairman and all members of the Library Committee and the members of the County Council, urging them to call for other plans and to reconsider the whole matter.

We should be most obliged to you for any thoughts on this matter, and we shall be pleased to work with you in whatever ways are indicated.

Very sincerely yours,

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Corresponding Secretary

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COUNTY MANAGER
THE CENTER ANNEX

County of Charleston

Charleston, South Carolina

March 20, 1958

Mrs. S. Henry Edmunds, Executive Secretary
Historic Charleston Foundation
51 Meeting Street
Charleston, South Carolina

Dear Mrs. Edmunds:

In answer to your letter of February 17, 1958, relative to a public hearing on the new Library Building on Marion Square, this is to advise you that County Council on March 18th set the public hearing at 8:00 P.M., March 31, 1958, in the County Council Chambers, the Old Citadel.

Sincerely yours,

S. Marshall Sanders
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County Manager

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cc: County Council