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THE NORTH CAROLINA CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO

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May, 1967

The Honorable Robert Scott Lieutenant Governor

The Honorable David Britt Speaker of the House of Representatives

Gentlemen:

I transmit herewith a report of the North Carolina Capital Planning Commission, as required by G. S. 129-31 through 39.

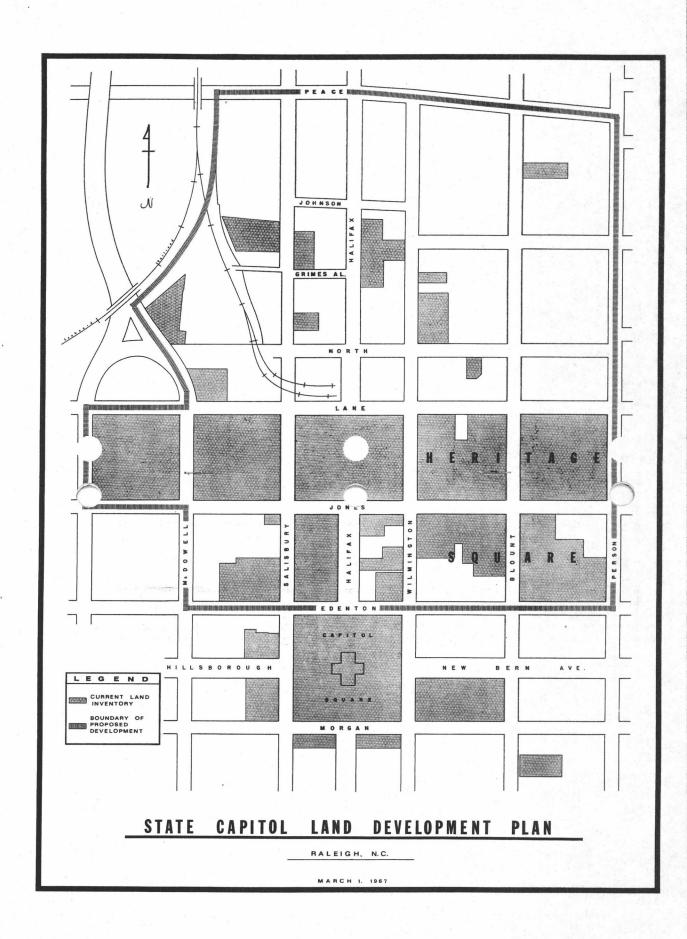
In my opinion, the North Carolina Capital Planning

Commission has proved to be successful in carrying out its

duties as required by law.

Sincerely,

Dan Moore



THE NORTH CAROLINA CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO THE 1967 GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Commission was created by the 1965 General Assembly, and given the following powers and duties:

- 1. To obtain and maintain up-to-date building requirements for State Government agencies in the City of Raleigh and its environs.
- 2. To formulate a long-range capital improvement program as required for State Central Governmental agencies in the City of Raleigh and its environs, and maintain this program up-to-date.
- 3. To recommend the acquisition of land as required.
- 4. To select the locations for State Government buildings, monuments, memorials and improvements in the City of Raleigh and its environs.
- 5. To submit a report of its activities to each session of the General Assembly.
- G.S. 129-31 states: "There is hereby created the North Carolina Capital Planning Commission which shall consist of the following: The Governor of North Carolina, who shall serve as Chairman; a member of the Senate who shall serve as Vice Chairman, to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor; a member of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House; all members of the Council of State; the Attorney General; and a representative of the City of Raleigh to be designated by the City Council of Raleigh to serve a two-year term to expire at the same date City Council members' terms expire, subject to reappointment by the City Council. Public Officers who are made members of this Commission shall be deemed to serve ex officio. The Director of the Department of Administra-

tion shall serve as Secretary to the Commission. (1965, c. 1002, s. 1.)"

Present members of the Commission by virtue of their elective offices are:

DAN K. MOORE, Governor and Chairman

JYLES J. COGGINS, Senator from Wake and Vice Chairman (appointed by Lieutenant Governor)

GEORGE WOOD, Representative from Camden (appointed by Speaker of the House)

THAD EURE, Secretary of State

EDWIN GILL, Treasurer

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CHARLES F. CARROLL, Superintendent of Public Instruction

JAMES A. GRAHAM, Commissioner of Agriculture

EDWIN S. LANIER, Commissioner of Insurance

FRANK CRANE, Commissioner of Labor THOMAS WADE BRUTON, Attorney General

TRAVIS TOMLINSON, Mayor, City of Raleigh

(E. L. RANKIN, Jr., Director of the Department of Administration, serves as Secretary)

Two committees have been appointed by the Chairman and these committees are active and have submitted reports to the Commission:

- A. State-City Cooperation Committee. This committee has met and solved numerous day to day problems of mutual concern to the State and the City of Raleigh. It is available as an immediate channel of communication between State and City.
- B. Special Committee to study State Office Facilities. This group visited all older State office buildings (see Paragraph 4 below) to study needs for present and future requirements for office space. This study was made with the help of the Property Control and

Construction Division, Department of Administration.

The Commission has met formally five times and lists the following accomplishments:

- Expanded Heritage Square to include Burke and Dortch Squares.
- 2. Designated Dortch Square for the location of the new Archives-Library Building which is now under construction.
- 3. Designated boundaries of the land area into which State Government will expand and recommended that land in this area be purchased as it becomes available, subject to the availability of funds. An inventory of State-owned land around the Capitol is maintained by the Property Control and Construction Division and is made a part of this report. See attached map for identification.
- 4. A study of substandard State office buildings was made by the Special Committee who made a report to the Commission. As a result of this study, the Mansion Park Building is now vacant and will be razed in the near future. All agencies formerly housed in this building have been relocated. The old YMCA Building is also scheduled for evacuation and demolition. This study will serve as a guide for planning for future needs of State office space.

- 5. A survey of the parking problems in the Capitol area has been made and further studies of the use and locations of possible parking decks are underway. Existing property is being utilized now for State employees' parking.
- 6. Planning to meet the needs of all State agencies in the Capitol area is being done at the present time. Available office space is not sufficient to meet demands or to alleviate crowded conditions. At the present time, the State leases approximately 164,000 square feet of space at an annual rental of \$520,000, of which \$343,000 comes from State funds. The remainder is Federal funds. Approximately 900 of the 6,600 State employees in the Capitol area are housed in leased space.
- 7. The Commission has reviewed the proposed capital improvement budget now before the General Assembly and recommends approval of the capital improvement items listed under the Department of Administration budget.
- 8. The site for the new office building proposed in the 1967-69 budget has been designated by the Commission. The proposed building will be a companion building to the new Administration Building and will be located in that square fronting on Lane Street.