

Item Title: Resolution to Allow the Donation of CL Mann Maps to NCSU's Special Collection Research Center

Specific Action Requested:

That the Board of Commissioners authorizes the donation of The CL Mann Maps that were gifted to Register of Deeds in 1961.

Item Summary:

The Wake County Register of Deeds (ROD) received the CL Mann map collection after his passing in 1961. Mann, a former engineering professor at NC State, was one of the architects of the historic Bell Tower and has two campus buildings named in his honor.

The collection includes more than 2,000 maps: most depicting the City of Raleigh and Wake County from the 1890s to 1960. It also contains a diverse range of maps from across North Carolina – from the mountains to the coast – as well as surrounding localities.

Although historically significant, these maps were never recorded in the Wake County Registry. As a result, they are not part of the County's official land records database. The ROD has, however, created electronic copies, which are available through a link on the ROD website.

North Carolina State University already maintains a substantial collection of Mann's maps from 1905 to 1952. The addition of this collection will complete their archive and ensure the maps remain accessible to anyone upon request.

N.C.G.S. 160A-280, applicable to the County pursuant to N.C.G.S. 153A-176, authorizes the donation of personal property that the governing board deems to be surplus, obsolete, or unused. The County has posted public notice as required by N.C.G.S. 160A-280 at least 5 days prior to the request for this resolution to be adopted.

Attachments:

1. Resolution