

City of Charleston BAR Photograph Collection, 1930-1999

Descriptive Summary

Title:

City of Charleston Board of Architectural Review (BAR) Photograph Collection, 1930-1999 (bulk 1973-1984)

Creators:

City of Charleston BAR Staff

Quantity:

2.5 cubic ft.

Forms of Material:

Photographs, handwritten notes

Processed by:

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Location:

1-F-001 to 1-F-003

Scope and Content Note:

The City of Charleston's Board of Architectural Review (BAR) dates to October 13, 1931, when Charleston became the first United States city to adopt a zoning ordinance with a defined historic district. The ordinance established the Old and Historic District, the first historic district protected by local legislation in the United States. The ordinance also established parameters for the preservation and protection of the City's historic buildings and neighborhoods, and it created and tasked the BAR with approving or denying architectural changes in the Old and Historic District.

The BAR Photograph Collection contains photographs of Charleston properties taken by City BAR staff or submitted by applicants as part of the BAR's decision process. The photographs range in date from 1930-1991, with the bulk from 1973-1984 (and many undated but most likely falling in that latter range). The photographs were not filed into the BAR's vertical files and were transferred to the Records Management Division after 1991. The collection is organized by street and contains individual photographs as well as multiple photographs attached to sheets of paper, creating one larger file and/or image. The collection contains color and black-and-white photographs, as well as many Polaroid images. There are instances of supporting photographs in the collection from properties on other streets located on the Charleston peninsula that were used in reference to BAR applications that proposed changes for downtown properties. Additionally, there are photographs included in the collection that do not have a definitive address but are likely photographs of preexisting lots or structures that can no longer be identified in today's urban topography. The photographs were likely used in the application process for the Board of Architectural Review, as indicated by the application numbers on many of the files.

Note: The collection is in the process of digitization for inclusion on the City of Charleston Records Management Division's Lowcountry Digital Library (LCDL) page (<https://lcdl.library.cofc.edu/institution/the-city-of-charleston/>). Streets that have been added to LCDL are marked with an asterisk ().*

Box Folder

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|---|-------|---|
| 1 | 1 | Adgers Wharf (South), 1983 |
| | 2 | Aiken Street, nd |
| | 3 | Alexander Street, 1978 |
| | 4 | Allway Street, nd |
| | 5 | America Street, 1972 |
| | 6 | Amherst Street, 1973-1974 |
| | 7 | Anson Street, 1973-1981 |
| | 8 | Ashe Street, 1977 |
| | 9 | Ashley Avenue, 1970-1972 |
| | 10 | Beaufain Street, 1970-1980 |
| | 11 | Bedon's Alley, 1983-1984 |
| | 12 | Bee Street, 1980 |
| | 13 | Betsy Road, nd |
| | 14 | Blake Street, nd |
| | 15 | Boardman Road, 1978 |
| | 16 | Bogard Street, 1982 |
| | 17 | Brisbane Street, nd |
| | 18-21 | Broad Street, 1930-1991 (4 folders) |
| | 22 | Buckingham Drive, nd |
| | 23 | Bull Street, 1984 * |
| | 24-25 | Calhoun Street, 1971-1984 (2 folders) |
| | 26 | Campion Hall Road, 1978 |
| | 27 | Canal Street, 1982 |
| | 28 | Cannon Street, 1970-1982 |
| | 29 | Carrere Street, 1981 |
| | 30 | Carterett Avenue, 1979 |
| | 31 | Chalmers Street, 1979-1984 |
| | 32 | Chapel Street, 1979 |
| | 33 | Charles Towne Drive, 1978 |
| | 34 | Charing Cross Road, 1984 |
| | 35 | Charlotte Street, 1978-1981 * |
| | 36 | Chisolm Street, nd |
| | 37 | Church Street, 1982-1983 (1 of 3 folders) |
| 2 | 1-2 | Church Street, 1973-1983 (2 and 3 of 3 folders) |
| | 3 | Clemson Street, 1980 |
| | 4 | Clifford Street, nd |
| | 5 | Colonial Street, nd * |
| | 6 | Columbus Street, nd |
| | 7-9 | Coming Street, 1865-1983 (3 folders) |
| | 10 | Concord Street, nd |
| | 11 | Congress Street, nd |
| | 12 | Coosaw Drive, nd |
| | 13 | Council Street, 1979-1981 |
| | 14 | Cumberland Street, 1978-1983 |
| | 15 | Discher Street (Rosemont), nd |
| | 16 | Doughty Street, nd |
| | 17 | Drake Street, nd |
| | 18 | Duncan Street, nd |
| | 19 | Dunnemann Street, 1980 |
| | 20-23 | East Battery Street, 1802-1984 (4 folders) |

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2	24	Ehrhardt Street, 1983
25		Elizabeth Street, 1983-1991
26		Elliott Street, 1982
27		Exchange Street, 1982
28		Farmfield Road, nd
29		Fishburne Road, 1984
30		Folly Road, 1978-1981
31		Franklin Street, 1982-1989
32		Fulton Street, nd
33		Gadsden Street, nd
34		George Street, 1982-1983
3	1	Gibbes Street, 1983-1984
2		Gilmore Road, nd
3		Glebe Street, nd
4		Greenhill Street, nd
5		Grove Street, 1984
6		Guignard Street, nd
7		Halsey Street, 1983
8		Hanover Street, 1982-1983
9		Harleston Green, nd
10		Harleston Place, nd
11		Hasell Street, 1981-1984
12		Haynes Street, 1974
13		Heriot Street, nd
14		John Street, nd
15		Judith Street, nd
16-17		King Street, 1971-1984 (2 folders)
18		Kracke Street, nd
19		Lockwood Drive, 1962
20		Market Street (South), nd
21		Market Street (North), nd
22-23		Meeting Street, 1935-1971
24		Nassau Street, nd
25		New Street, nd
26		Pinckney Street, nd
27		President Street, 1981
28		Princess Street, nd
29		Priolean Street, nd
30		Queen Street, nd
31		Rutledge Avenue, nd
32		Savannah Highway (US 17 South), nd
33		Spring Street, nd
34		Tradd Street, 1983
35		Twelfth (12 th) Avenue (from Dunnemann), 1976
36		Wasbee Range, nd
37		Wescott Court, nd
38		West Street. nd

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