



Planning & Development

September 17, 2026

Jeff Smith, National Register Coordinator
State Historic Preservation Office
4617 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4617

Dear Mr. Smith:

On September 1, 2026, the Durham Historic Preservation Commission held a hearing for the proposal to nominate Emorywood Estates to the National Register as a historic district. Members of the Emorywood Estates community who had previously attended community meetings regarding a potential nomination were invited via e-mail to attend. The consultant who completed the nomination provided a presentation describing research findings about Emorywood Estates to the community.

The current and a former executive director of Preservation Durham each spoke in favor of the nomination. The HPC also issued a favorable recommendation, which is attached. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

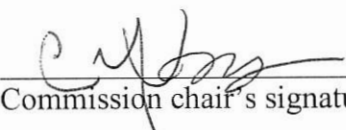
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Karla Rosenberg
Principal Planner

Attachment: HPC Recommendation

THE CLG COMMISSION SHOULD COMPLETE **ONE** OF THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS:

A. We, the **Durham Historic Preservation Commission**, have reviewed and discussed the nomination for the **Emorywood Estates Historic District** and find that the property **meets** the criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as stated in Section 8 of the report. We, therefore, **recommend** that the property be submitted for listing in the Register.

 09.01.2026
Commission chair's signature and date

B. We, the **Durham Historic Preservation Commission**, have reviewed and discussed the nomination for the **Emorywood Estates Historic District** and find that the property **does not meet** the criteria for listing in the National Register of Historic Places as stated in Section 8 of the report. We, therefore, **do not recommend** that the property be submitted for listing in the Register. The reasons for our findings concerning this nomination are stated below (use additional sheet if necessary).

Commission chair's signature and date