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Hot dog! Vendors ready for new competition

BY NIKKI BALDWIN
FOR THE CHRONICLE

Mark Flynt, the owner of JS Pulliam Barbeque in Winston-Salem, will be opening another store in the Winston-Salem downtown area at 545 N. Trade St., next to Body and Soul. It will sell hot dogs, hamburgers and fries but not barbeque.

Pulliam's hot dogs have been called the best in the South. When asked to elaborate on why he is choosing to expand now, Flynt said he had been discussing this with his longtime friend Mark Cue (who happens to own the building) for several years about opening another business. Flynt said Winston-Salem has been doing a good job about revitalizing and felt now was a good time to do it.

One of the owners of downtown Winston-Salem hot dog stand Jazzy Daugs was asked whether they heard about the move and how do they feel about the new restaurant.

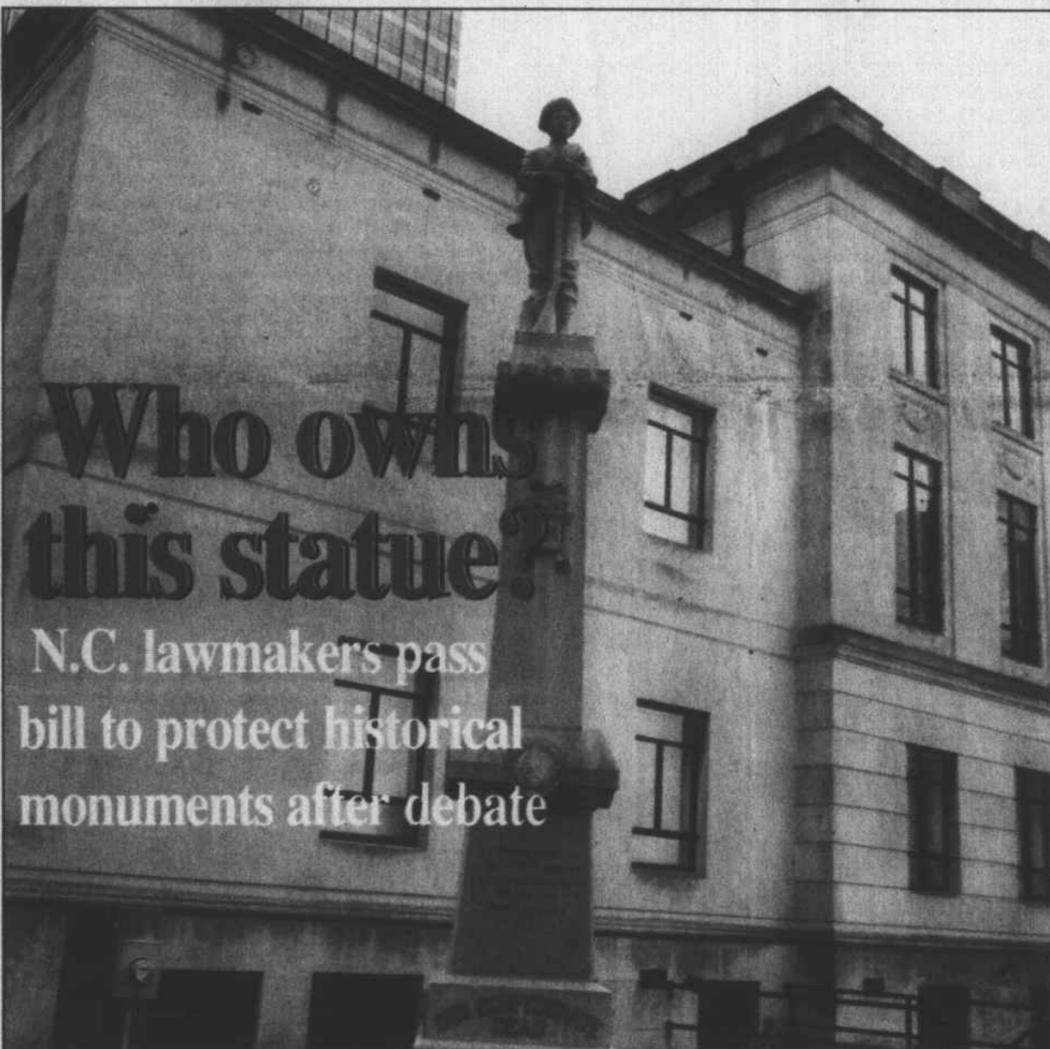
"We feel that our business will not be affected by the Pulliam's restaurant, for our customers will be steady because of the quality of our hot dogs," said Wayne Vasser of Jazzy Daugs hot dogs, which is located across from CVS downtown at the corner of Trade and Fourth streets.

Queen Tóvia, owner of local hot dog stand Queen Tóvia & Son Famous Franks & Smokies, when asked whether she heard about the Pulliam move, said she had not heard



See Hot dogs on A2 **Frank Wilson at his hot dog stand in downtown Winston-Salem.** Photo by Nikki Baldwin

CONFEDERATE STATUE IN WINSTON-SALEM



Who owns this statue?

N.C. lawmakers pass
bill to protect historical
monuments after debate

BY TODD LUCK
THE CHRONICLE

In the midst of a changing downtown, a Confederate statue still stands at the corner of Liberty and West Fourth streets.

It sits beside the former Forsyth County Courthouse, where it's been since it was erected in 1905. The courthouse moved out of the building in 1974 to the current Forsyth County Hall of Justice. The building housed some county offices until 2004. The County sold the courthouse in 2014 and now it's been remade into 50 West Fourth with 58 apartments that start \$975 a month.

Deputy County Manager Damon Sanders-Pratt said as far as he can tell, the local United Daughters of

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The Confederate statue stands beside the former Forsyth County courthouse, which is now an apartment complex. Photo by Todd Luck

Salvation Army drops rezoning request

City Council vote was scheduled for July 20

BY TEVIN STINSON
THE CHRONICLE

The Salvation Army of Winston-Salem has withdrawn its request to rezone 939 Cleveland Ave. to put a family homeless shelter there. Winston-Salem City Council was scheduled to vote on the rezoning request during its meeting on Monday, July 20, but the organization had withdrawn its request by then.

During the July 20 meeting, East Ward Council Member Derwin Montgomery announced that The Salvation Army had withdrawn its request for the rezoning. By unanimous vote, the rezoning was taken off the agenda.

The nonprofit was looking to purchase the daycare building from Greater Cleveland Christian Church and turn it into a facility to house homeless families made up of mostly single women and children.

Over the past months, members of the neighborhood expressed their displeasure with the rezoning.

During a press conference on Friday, July 17, Maj. James Allison, area commander of the organization, delivered a statement to the media officially withdrawing the request for rezoning.

"After much deliberation and with the concern for what is in the best interest of the homeless families, we have decided to pursue other options for the relocation of the shelter for women, families and children."

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Experts, voters discuss problems with N.C. voting law at trial

BY TODD LUCK
THE CHRONICLE

The plaintiffs against North Carolina's election reform law, known as House Bill 589, continue to present experts and voters in the N.C. NAACP vs. McCrory trial.

The trial began last week in federal court in Winston-Salem, challenging a series of state voting revisions signed into law in 2013 that reduced early voting days, banned out-of-precinct voting,

ended same-day registration and stopped pre-registration for teens.

There's also a voter ID requirement being challenged, but those arguments will be heard at a later date because a law was recently passed softening the ID requirements. The plaintiffs – the N.C. NAACP, U.S. Justice Department and League of Women Voters – argue the law is discriminatory against minorities and youth.

Lawyers for the state argue that the measures are "neutral on their face" and are not discrimina-

tory toward minorities. In opening arguments on Monday, July 13, Penda Hair, a lawyer with the Advancement Project representing the N.C. NAACP, said that it's the law's results, not its neutral wording, that matter.

"Poll taxes were neutral on their face," said Hair. "Literacy tests were neutral on their face. The law teaches it is the impact that matters – an impact that is linked to social and historical conditions – not whether a law explicitly says African-

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