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CITY OF CHARLESTON AWARD FOR DESIGN EXCELLENCE

The City of Charleston announces the winners of the second annual "The City of Charleston Award for Design Excellence." These awards will be presented by Mayor Joseph P. Riley Jr. and the City's Department of Planning, Preservation and Sustainability (PP&S) at a reception and ceremony honoring the award recipients during National Design Week.

A committee of professionals within the Department of Planning, Preservation and Sustainability along with Mayor Riley selected the winners from among projects completed over the last several years. Mayor Riley said, "These awards are one way for us to recognize architecture and design that most exemplifies our aspirations for the future of the city. They also recognize the most successful outcomes of City staff's collaboration with private design and development teams."

Awards are being given in two categories this year:

- "Buildings Within the Historic Districts" includes buildings of any scale and style that are located within a locally designated historic district and are subject to approval by the Board of Architectural Review. Winners in this category are:
 - 1. <u>Midtown Development, block bounded by Coming/Cannon/St. Philip Streets</u> (developed by Reavis-Comer Development; designed by Neil Stevenson Architects; built by Reavis-Comer Development).
 - 2. <u>Ashley Hall Dining Facility, 152 Rutledge Avenue</u> (owned by Ashley Hall School; designed by Stubbs Muldrow Herin Architects; built by Hill Construction Corporation).
 - 3. <u>27 Bogard Street Residence</u> (developed by Ecovest Development, LLC; designed by Julia F. Martin Architect; built by The Fielding Group, LLC).
 - 4. <u>24 Clifford Street Addition</u> (owned by David H. & Mary Kay McLane; designed by Thomas & Denzinger Architects; built by Richard Johnson Contracting, LLC).
- "Public Realm Projects" recognize parks, streets and other shared spaces. The winner in this category is:
 - 1. <u>Market Sheds, 174 Church Street, 79 State Street, and 229 East Bay Street</u> (developed by City Market Preservation Trust; designed by Glenn Keyes Architects; built by Hightower Construction Company).

Each year there are buildings and spaces designed and built in Charleston that are of great quality and contribute to the streets and neighborhoods in the city. Although there are many buildings and

places that are very successful and worthy of recognition, these annual awards are reserved for places that specifically contribute to Charleston in a manner most thoroughly in keeping with the city's high expectations for architecture and design. The awards honor buildings and places that the committee believes are of the highest caliber and would be recognized as such worldwide.

Dennis Dowd, AIA, City Architect said, "Our goal with these awards is to help clarify our expectations for new construction and design and to inspire everyone involved in creating new places to strive for design excellence."

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