Deep Run Hunt Club (127-6721)

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Location and Current National Register Status: The Deep Run Hunt Club is located at the end of Avondale Avenue in the Rosedale neighborhood near the Laburnum Avenue entrance ramp to Route 64. The property is not currently listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

History and Significance: The nomination states that The Deep Run Hunt Club is eligible for listing under Criteria A and C, with a period of significance of 1896-1910. Under Criterion A the property is eligible in the areas of entertainment and recreation for its association with the Deep Run Hunt Club, a popular and prosperous social organization in Virginia from1896 to 1910. In 1894, Major Lewis Ginter purchased the property and provided it to the hunt club to expand their social and recreational activities. The property is also eligible under Criterion C in the area of architecture. In 1895 Lewis Ginter hired Richmond architect David Wiley Anderson to remodel and enlarge the original four-room brick farmhouse. Anderson added both Queen Anne Victorian and Colonial Revival stylistic elements to the original early 1800's building. This was Anderson's first major project in the developing Northside suburbs and highlights his stylistic range and ability to design in two popular styles of the time.

Staff Recommendations and Comments: The Deep Run Hunt Club is an excellent example of an early commission by noted architect David Wiley Anderson and exemplifies two of the most popular architectural styles for the late nineteenth- and early-twentieth centuries. Additionally, it is significant for its association with the Deep Run Hunt Club, an important social and recreational club in Virginia. Staff recommends that the Commission support the listing of this property on the State and National Historic Registers, under National Register Criteria A and C.