

Cartersville Historic Preservation Commission

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Background of Historic Preservation in Cartersville

- 2000 City hired Dr. Jeff Drobney of Kennesaw State University to conduct historic resource surveys of DBD and Olde Town properties and draft a Historic Preservation Ordinance.
- 2001 January Historic Preservation Ordinance submitted to Georgia Historic Preservation Division of Department of Natural Resources for review and approval.

May – City adopted Historic Preservation Ordinance.

September – City appointed first members of the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC).

In order for the commission to be certified by the State and be eligible to receive historic preservation grants and technical assistance, the Cartersville Historic Preservation Commission completed an application for Certified Local Government (CLG) status which included:

- Adopted by-laws
- Rules of procedures for hearing Certificate of Preservation (COP) applications
- Draft proposed Design Guidelines and Historic District boundaries
- 2002 City awarded Certified Local Government (CLG) status.
- 2004 February City Council adopted Design Guidelines and first historic districts Downtown Business District and Olde Town historic district.

April – City held first Certificate of Preservation (COP) application reviews.

- 2005 Coosa Valley Regional Development Center (RDC) conducts historic resource surveys of West End.
- 2006 City Council adopted the West End historic district.
- 2007 Coosa Valley RDC conducts historic resource surveys of the Cherokee-Cassville area.

City Council adopted the Cherokee-Cassville historic district. Design Guidelines were amended to include illustrative examples.

- 2009 Coosa Valley RDC (now NW Georgia RC) conducts historic resource surveys of Granger Hill.
- 2010 City Council adopted the Granger Hill historic district.
- 2011 The City of Cartersville became a Preserve America Community. This federal program recognizes and designates communities that protect and celebrate their heritage.

General Information

- Each member of the HPC attends at least one historic preservation training session each year.
- There are 625 properties in Cartersville in locally designated historic districts.
- Each year, Cartersville celebrates May as National Historic Preservation Month with various activities (property/structure improvement awards, recognition at City Council meeting, newspaper articles, etc).