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Historic Survey & Economic Development Workshop Scheduled

CHATTAHOOCHEE, March 9, 2015 – Chattahoochee Main Street will be hosting a public workshop focusing on historic preservation and economic development on Monday, March 23 at 6:30pm at the RV Clubhouse on River Landing Road. If you would like to know more about the current Historic Structures Survey that is currently underway, as well as to learn about the Competitive Florida Partnership Program for rural economic development, you are cordially invited to attend.

Historic Structures Survey

The City of Chattahoochee has been awarded a historic preservation grant from the Florida Division of Historic Resources in support of a study of the City's historic structures. The project will consist of identifying and documenting properties within the city limits that date from 1970 and earlier.

Laura Lee Corbett, Architectural historian and consultant to Chattahoochee Main Street, will provide a brief presentation to introduce and discuss the overall goals and methods of the project. The aim of this study is to document, through photographs and descriptions, a wide variety of historic structures that contribute to Chattahoochee's rich heritage, and to evaluate the potential for listing surveyed properties in the National Register of Historic Places. Also, this research will identify important historical properties to be considered in short and long range land use planning, encourage tax benefits and grant resources, and serve as an educational tool.

The project will also support Gadsden County's heritage tourism and economic development initiatives. At the conclusion of the study, the City will be provided with comprehensive documentation and historical research findings for up to 500 structures.

Competitive Florida Partnership Program

Gadsden County is beginning to conduct county-wide community conversations regarding its recent grant award from the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO). Gadsden County is one of only four communities in the state to be awarded participation in the Competitive Florida Partnership Program. This grant funded partnership, supported by technical assistance from DEO, will help our county and community identify and value assets

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that make us unique and will challenge us to set realistic goals for advancing our economic development vision.

This initiative will result in the creation of economic development strategies and policies to further economic development in Gadsden County. Allara Mills-Gutcher, Director of Planning & Community Development for Gadsden County, will be present to lead this community conversation.

If you are unable to attend this important event, or if you would like more information, please contact Ben Chandler, Executive Director for Chattahoochee Main Street, Inc. at 663-2323 or email ben.chattahoocheemainstreet@gmail.com.

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