

City of Dawsonville
October 22, 2018
Regular Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission

Angie Smith, HPC Co Chair, called the October 22, 2018 City of Dawsonville Historic Preservation Commission regular meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

Attendance: Historic Preservation Commission Members: Angie Smith, Brian Bliss, Heather Allen and Carrie Fallstrom. Caroline Christie was absent.

Invocation and Pledge: Angie Smith gave the invocation and led the pledge.

Approval of the Agenda: Brian Bliss motioned to approve the agenda; Carrie Fallstrom seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Approval of the Minutes of the City of Dawsonville HPC regular meeting held on August 20, 2018: Carrie Fallstrom motioned to approve; Heather Allen seconded the motion; all were in favor.

Old Business:

Discussion and approval of the HPC Façade Grant application: Angie Smith stated that the grant guidelines were approved at the last meeting and she has drafted an application following those guidelines, which she forwarded to the Commissioners for their review. No one had any questions or revisions to add to the document. Brian Bliss motioned to approve the HPC Façade Grant application as drafted (Exhibit A); Carrie Fallstrom seconded; All were in favor.

HPC Photography Contest update: Brian Bliss reported that he has had discussions with the schools, the instructors and the Bowen Art Center concerning the Contest rules. It is their opinion that all submittals be digital only, with the City or HPC assuming the cost of printing. Heather Allen motioned to approve the HPC Photography Contest rules (Exhibit B) subject to approval by the City's legal department; Carrie Fallstrom seconded; all were in favor.

New Business: None

The Chairman and Commissioners reports: Nothing to report

Announcements:

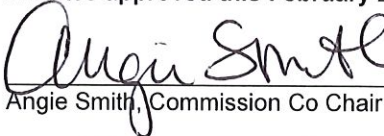
The next City Food Truck Nights are November 2nd, and on December 1st in conjunction with the City Tree Lighting.

The next meeting of the HPC is scheduled for Monday, December 17, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Adjournment: Commission member Carrie Fallstrom motioned to adjourn; Heather Allen seconded; Motion carried unanimously: Meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

The HPC then invited the public to join them downstairs for a training webinar.

Minutes approved this February 25, 2019



Angie Smith, Commission Co Chair



Carrie Fallstrom, Commission Member



Brian Bliss, Commission Member



Heather Allen, Commission Member

Shannon Gibson, Commission Member



Attested by:
Nalita Y. Copeland, Zoning Administrator

City of
Dawsonville
Historic Preservation

Maximum Award
Structure

Façade Retrofit - \$1200

Painting - \$1000

Awnings - \$500

Signs - \$500

*Bonus: \$300

All colors and designs must be approved by the City of Dawsonville Historic Preservation Commission before work begins to be eligible to receive funding.

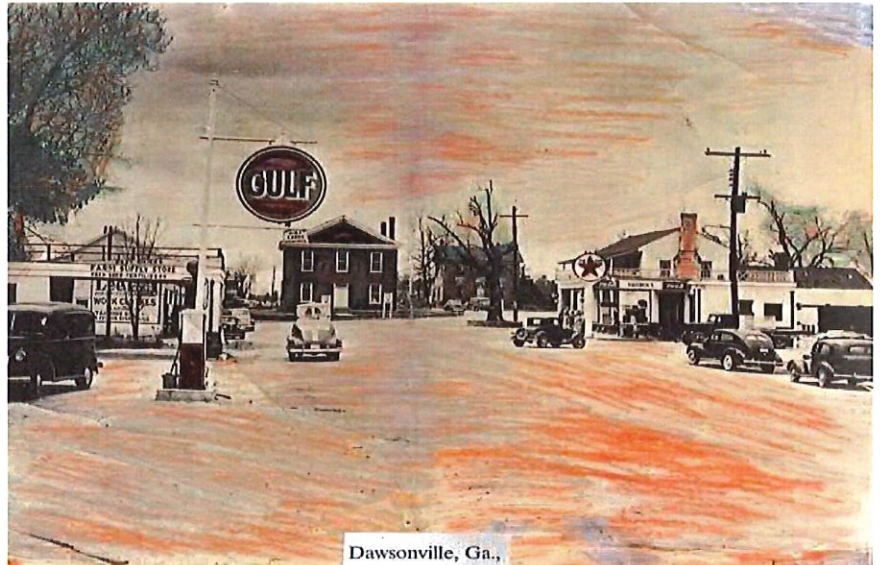
*Your project qualifies for a bonus if one of the following is met:

- Removal of an identified non-conforming feature
- Restoration of a documented historic feature
- Preservation of a storefront
- Work on a previously un-renovated building

Downtown Façade Grant Program

Preserving Our Heritage

The historical, cultural, and aesthetic heritage of the City of Dawsonville is among its most valued and important assets. The preservation of this heritage is essential to the promotion of the health, prosperity, and general welfare of its people.



Historic Downtown Dawsonville

The Downtown Façade Grant Program is intended to stimulate investment into the revitalization and preservation of Dawsonville's historic downtown area to help promote that very health, prosperity, and welfare of our citizens.

Application Guidelines

Reimbursement

This is a reimbursement grant only and the amount may never exceed 50% of the total project. Upon completion of the project and based on the amount awarded and the paid receipts submitted, reimbursement will be made within ten (10) business days.

Grants are awarded on a competitive basis as funds permit.

Consideration is given to the participant's matching funds, as well as, implementation of the program's downtown design objectives.

Grant Caps

See Award Structure (p.1) for grant caps. The maximum dollar amount can only be awarded to the same property every 3 years. Multiple projects by the same applicant, on the same application, will be considered for the \$1500 maximum, including bonus*.

Eligibility

Property owners, as well as business owners, are eligible to participate. Government entities, national franchises, and non-profits are not eligible. Projects not eligible are those where work has already started, general maintenance (other than painting), and interior, or landscape improvements.

Elevations

Façade means the front street elevation of the building. However, as funds permit, the City of Dawsonville may consider use of funds for additional public elevations. For example, a corner building which fronts two public streets.

Maintenance

If improvements are removed or not maintained, or any other violation occurs within three (3) years of project completion, the City of Dawsonville HPC may seek reimbursement for the full amount of Façade Grant funds paid to the participant.

Contact Us

City of Dawsonville
Planning and Zoning

Street Address
415 Hwy 53 East, Ste 100

City, ST Zip Code
Dawsonville, GA 30534

Phone
706.265.3256

Website
www.dawsonville-ga.gov

Application Photos

Must submit at least 5 “Before Project” photos with the knowledge that the applicant is giving the City of Dawsonville permission to use photos in grant reviews, presentations, websites, and any other projects that the City deems necessary. The photos can be in paper or electronic form. “After Project” photos should also be submitted before funds are awarded in the same manner.

Project Budget

A budget must be included and itemized with two (2) different quotes. The quotes must be on contractor letterhead and clearly marked, especially if additional work is being quoted for the interior or elevations other than the façade.

Permits

All projects must separately obtain a Certificate of Appropriateness from HPC and/or any other required permits from the City of Dawsonville. For questions regarding permits, historic boundaries, or any other general questions, please contact the City of Dawsonville’s Planning Department at 706.265.3256.

Open Enrollment Period

Applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis in April and September of each calendar year, as funds allow. Applications will be collected until the last day of the month, in the identified open enrollment period. Award presentation will occur at the next month’s regularly scheduled Historic Preservation Commission Meeting. For example, the Spring application period will be the month of April. Applications will be accepted through the last day of April and the HPC will award the applicants at the May HPC meeting.

Award notification will occur by phone or email from a representative of the HPC or City Hall to the applicant prior to the regularly scheduled Historic Preservation Commission Meeting.

Award presentation will occur at the regularly scheduled Historic Preservation Commission meeting.

Plan ahead and save those paid invoices.

Downtown Façade Grant Application

1. Eligibility (check one below)

- Property Owner
- Business Owner

Applicant Name: _____

Business Name: _____

If not the property owner, property owner signature below:

Contact Information:

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

2. Property Location

Street Address: _____

Office Use Only - Prior Grant Site - Date of Award: _____

3. Historic District COA/Permits

Date of COA Approval: _____

Date of Other Necessary Permit Approvals: _____

- No COA/Permits Necessary

Don't forget to take After Photos and submit them to City Hall in the same formats as allowed in section 4 of the application.

This is a reimbursement grant only.

4. Before Photographs

_____ (Applicant Initial Here) *I understand and acknowledge that photographs are herin submitted for grant review, reports, presentations, and website use.*

- Attach at least 5 photographs (prints - color 4X6's), or
- Send high quality digital photographs (.jpeg, .tiff, .gif) to permits@dawsonville-ga.gov

5. Project Budget

Total Project Cost: _____

Façade-Only Expenses: _____

- Include 2 quotes for all projects
- Quotes are on contractor letterhead, clearly marking and separating work for elevations other than the façade and interior improvements.

**No grant award can exceed 50% of the eligible project costs.*

6. Project Details

Please give details of the scope of the project and if it qualifies for a grant bonus (see pg.1 for details):

(Use additional sheets if necessary)

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION 2019 PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST THEME: THIS IS OUR TOWN

1. Entrants submitting photographs for the contest must be a Dawson County Junior High School or Dawson County High School student.
2. Entries must be the original work of the student taken.
3. Entries must be submitted digitally via email to bliss3202@gmail.com. Prints (at the expense of the Historic Preservation Commission) will be 8 x 10.
4. There is a maximum of 3 submissions per student for judging.
5. Each entry should contain the following information: a) Title of photograph b) Name of photographer (first and last) c) Date and location of photograph
6. Entries will be judged by the Bowen Arts Center. Entries will be judged on artistic expression, creativity and originality, and the quality of the image. All decisions of the judges are final. The contest organizers reserve the right to disqualify entries which do not conform to the stated contest rules and criteria.
7. The theme for the contest is, "This Is Our Town". Photography subjects are to be buildings, trees, and/or landscapes of the City of Dawsonville.
8. Judging will be completed by March 1st, 2019 and contest winners will be announced by the Historic Preservation Commission.
9. By submitting the photography entries, contestants are agreeing to the absolute and irrevocable right and permission to use, re-use, publish, and re-publish the photographs in displays related to the contest; in Dawsonville Historic Preservation Commission printed and electronic publications and in conjunction with any copyrighted matter, in any and all media now or hereafter known for illustration, promotion, art, advertising and trade, news, informational and educational purposes and to copyright the same, under its original name or otherwise. The student thereby releases and discharges the Historic Preservation Commission from any and all claims and demands arising out of or in connection with the use of the photos, including without limitation any and all claims for invasion of privacy.
10. Deadline for entries: Friday, February 1, 2019, 11:59 PM

Submit your entries to the bliss3202@gmail.com. Good luck!