

Work Plan FY-2016-17

Business and Economic Development Committee

Downtown LaGrange Development Authority

Goal: To create new economic investment into the downtown district through increased employment, residential housing and occupancy of available buildings.

Strategies:

Increase Employment

1. Consult with retail strategies group
2. Evaluate diversification of business
3. Inventory government related businesses of Troup County

Residential Housing:

1. Inventory existing downtown housing units
2. Identify local and regional developers to promote downtown housing
3. Investigate incentives to housing developers
4. Study peer downtown housing success
5. Investigate possibility of a feasibility study for downtown housing

Current Property Inventory:

1. Maintain accurate inventory of buildings on website
2. Work with design guidelines to enhance appearance of buildings
3. Connect with absentee owners
4. Keep Realtors informed of downtown inventory
5. Promote downtown business opportunities to fill vacancies

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