

RESIDENT'S BROCHURE

DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD
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INTRODUCTION

Savannah's Historic Landmark District is a perfect place to begin a new life, attend college, raise a family or retire. It is a diverse and beautiful section of the city rich in tradition and heritage. Often referred to as the Hostess City of the South, Savannah is considered an exceptional location to live due to its unique city plan, architectural splendor, natural environment, climate and quality of life.

Over the centuries, the citizens of this community have managed to survive war, threats of demolition and heartbreaking deterioration. Today, downtown residents take great pride in their neighborhood and continue efforts to protect and preserve the elements that make it so unique.

Savannah's charm is no secret to the millions of visitors that come here annually. The city has been recognized by a wide array of publications and has been given designations such as one of the "15 Coolest Cities in North America" (*MSN.com*, 2009), "Best Southern City" - *Southern Living Magazine*, (2009), "Top 10 Cities in the US and Canada" (*Travel + Leisure Magazine*, 2008) and "Top 25 City for the Arts" (*American Style Magazine*, 2008).

The Resident's Brochure was developed by the City of Savannah in conjunction with the Downtown Neighborhood Association to provide downtown residents with information to help in getting settled and being an informed resident and neighbor. It outlines City services, property owner's responsibilities and a myriad of other useful information. Applicable ordinances relating to subjects covered are also contained in this brochure.

Welcome to Savannah's Historic Landmark District.

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ORGANIZATIONS IN THE HISTORIC LANDMARK DISTRICT

A number of organizations operate in the Historic Landmark District. These entities serve a variety of purposes and welcome new members and community involvement. The following entities actively represent the needs of residents:

City of Savannah Tourism and Film Services Department (TFS)

A significant aspect of TFS is the Downtown Programs Office which is responsible for balancing the needs of diverse populations within the context of a mixed-use, historic downtown environment. By working with multiple stakeholders, programs and policies are developed, administered and evaluated to enhance downtown and the quality of life of its residents. For questions or concerns relating to City services or issues, please call the TFS at (912) 651-2360.

Downtown Neighborhood Association (DNA)

The DNA is a non-profit organization with approximately 275 residential and commercial members. The organization holds membership meetings several times a year and is actively involved in maintaining and improving the quality of life in the Historic Landmark District. Membership and other information about the organization can be obtained by calling (912) 236-8362.

Historic Savannah Foundation (HSF)

The HSF is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation, restoration and maintenance of all buildings, monuments and places of historic, architectural, landscape and city planning significance in the Historic Landmark District. Information about HSF can be obtained by calling (912) 233-7787 or by visiting www.historicsavannahfoundation.org.

Savannah Development and Renewal Authority (SDRA)

The SDRA was established in 1992 by the Mayor and Aldermen to plan and implement programs and projects to revitalize and improve the City of Savannah with specific emphasis on downtown. The organization has a Board of Directors consisting of twenty-five citizens, appointed by the Mayor and Aldermen and a Technical Advisory Board. SDRA also employs a professional, full-time staff. More information about the SDRA can be ob-

tained by calling (912) 651-6973 or by visiting www.sdra.net.

Savannah Downtown Business Association (SDBA)

The SDBA is a member sponsored non-profit organization tasked with promoting a healthy and prosperous business community within Savannah's Downtown. SDBA hold monthly luncheons as well as regular social events to encourage communication between businesses and the rest of the downtown stakeholders. More information about SDBA can be obtained by visiting www.savannahdowntown.com.

Several other social and business organizations are active in the Historic Landmark District. These entities are often based on specific interests such as gardening, business development, civic development, music, theater, performing arts and historic preservation. Residents should consult local news publications or the internet to find information about meeting times and dates.

THE OGLETHORPE PLAN

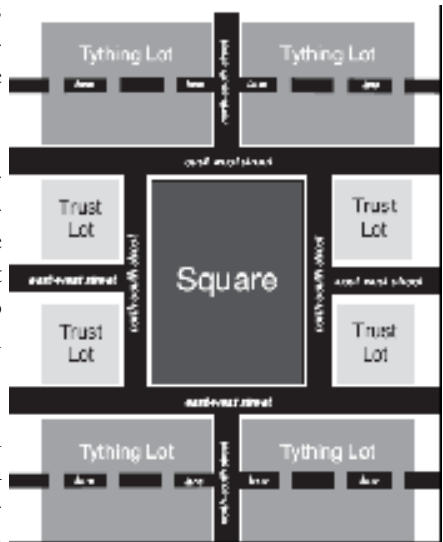
British General James E. Oglethorpe landed on the historic bluff above the Savannah River in 1733 to found the last of America's original thirteen colonies. One of Oglethorpe's most enduring contributions was the creation of an innovative city plan which includes a gridiron street system with designated green space. As the city expanded, the plan was replicated southward creating a total of 24 squares along with architecturally significant buildings which are unique to Savannah.

The city plan is strategically divided into wards or geometric zones which serve as the foundation of Savannah's urban design. In the center of each ward is a square or public green space. Four tithing blocks subdivided by a lane are located on the north and south sides of the square. The ward also includes four trust lots which are located on the east and west sides of the square.

Through the years, the Oglethorpe Plan has remained almost entirely intact and continues to work remarkably well. Savannahians are committed to the preservation and protection of the plan and the city's diverse architectural buildings. In 1966, this resulted in the area from E. Broad Street to Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. and from the Savannah River to Gwinnett Street being officially designated as the Savannah National Historic Landmark District. It is recognized as one of the largest historic landmark districts in the country with thousands of architecturally significant buildings in its approximately two square mile area.

In 1973 The City of Savannah created the Savannah Downtown Historic District which incorporates the National Historic Landmark District and extends its parameters west to Boundary Street from the Savannah River south to Gwinnett Street.

Several other nationally recognized historic districts are located within the city including the Savannah Victorian Historic District, Thomas Square Streetcar District, Cuyler/ *A typical ward structure.*

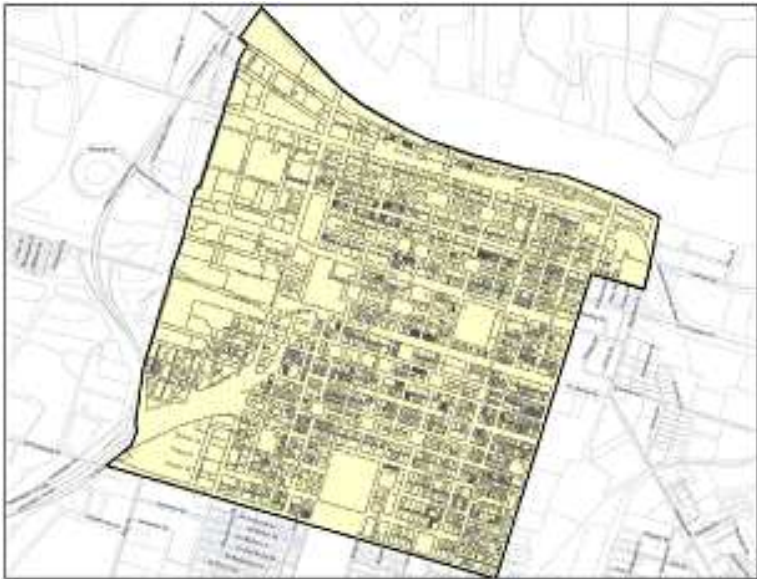


Brownville Historic District, Ardsley Park/Chatham Crescent Historic District, Eastside Historic District, Daffin Park/Parkside Place Historic District and the Gordonston Historic District.

THE WARD SYSTEM

The Downtown Neighborhood Association (DNA) and the City of Savannah continue to use the ward system as a framework to organize residents providing a sense of community within the district.

The DNA works with residents from each ward to nominate a volunteer to serve as a ward captain. The captain is responsible for facilitating resident awareness and involvement in a variety of issues. For the name and contact information of your ward captain, please contact DNA at (912) 236-8362 or the City's Tourism and Film Services Department at (912) 651-2360.



*Boundaries of the Savannah Downtown Historic District.
Map provided by Metropolitan Planning Commission.*

CITY OF SAVANNAH CUSTOMER SERVICE AND 311 CALL CENTER

The City's 311 Call Center was developed to provide a timely response to any non-emergency request for City services. By dialing 311 from a home or cellular phone, issues such as missed trash pick-up, flooded streets, overgrown vacant lots and abandoned vehicles can be reported and directed to the appropriate entity.

Incidents of graffiti may also be called into 311. The City of Savannah has a partnership with the Savannah Impact Program (SIP) to assist with graffiti tracking and removal on private property once the incident is reported to 311. There is no charge for this service.

During normal business hours a 311 representative will be available to take calls. After hours calls will be recorded and handled during the next business day. If your phone does not connect to 311, please call (912) 651-6565.

PARKS AND SQUARES

Refers to City Code Section 4-4002, 7-1132 and 9-1002

The green spaces or squares contained within the ward system established by Oglethorpe provided open vistas for the community to enjoy. In the formative years, these areas were used for public markets, public assembly and strategic sites for military defense.

Savannah currently has 22 squares which are named after a person or event that has a connection to Savannah's history. Many squares and parks contain statues, monuments, historic markers or fountains that are of interest to both residents and visitors.

The squares and north end of Forsyth Park represent a passive park system where residents and visitors can read, stroll and picnic. A more active public space is located at the south end of Forsyth Park which serves as a place for recreational sports such as soccer, basketball, tennis, frisbee and rugby.

To ensure the protection of pedestrians, a City ordinance prohibits bicycling through squares and parks. The prohibited area includes the Bull Street sidewalk in Forsyth Park between the fountain and the southern

limits of the Visitor Center at Forsyth Park as well as the squares between Gaston and Bay and East Broad and MLK. Bicycle riding is also prohibited on the Broughton Street sidewalks from MLK to Lincoln.

The squares and parks may be reserved by residents and organizations for public or private events to include weddings, dinner parties and performances by art groups. Events are permitted on a limited basis and regulated by policies administered by the City's Leisure Services Bureau. For more information on special events in the squares and parks, call (912) 351-3837.

The squares are under the stewardship of the City's Park and Tree Department. The department takes great pride in preserving, maintaining and improving the squares. Responsibilities include litter control, mowing, landscape plant maintenance, the installation of new landscaping, irrigation, fountain maintenance, the annual color program and repair of park furniture and structures. For more information, please contact the Park and Tree Department at (912) 651-6610.

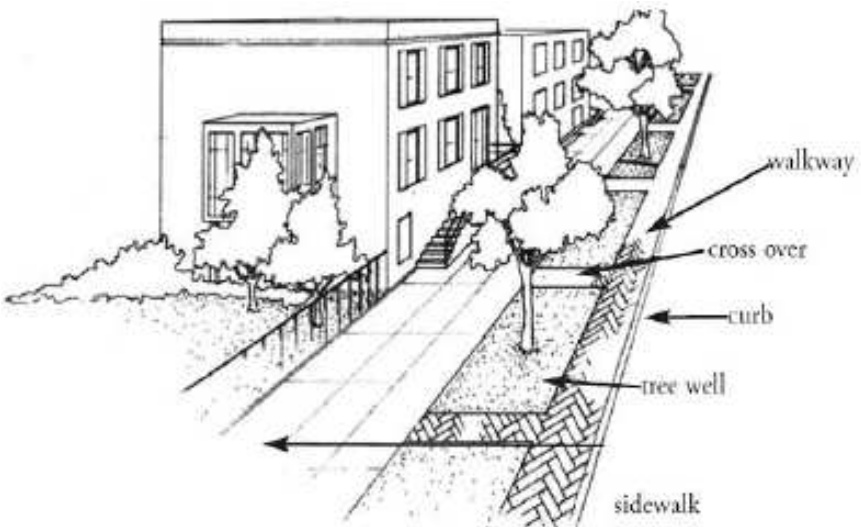
TREE LAWNS AND TREE WELLS

Refers to City Code Sections 4-2023, 4-2024, 4-2025, 9-1010 and 9-3002

The most common landscaping elements in the Historic Landmark District which contribute to the beauty of our downtown are the tree lawns and tree wells. This is the landscaped area that is located between the curb and the sidewalk. Because they are set aside for landscaping, tree lawns and wells should not be used for sculptures, art work, signs or parking.

Individual property owners are responsible for the care and maintenance of the tree lawns and wells that are adjacent to their business or residence even though they are within the City's right-of-way. While the City will perform maintenance services if there is a violation of City ordinance, the residents are in a better position to monitor the daily conditions and needs of tree lawns and wells.

A Tree Lawn Brochure has been created to provide a framework for residents to use when undertaking improvements to tree lawns and wells. Prior to implementing any changes to their tree lawn or well, residents should contact Park and Tree for guidance. For additional information or for a copy of the brochure, please contact Park and Tree at (912) 651-6610.



FESTIVALS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

The Historic Landmark District serves as the cultural center of the community and is host to many diverse festivals and special events. Outdoor events include but are not limited to the following:

First Saturday Festivals on River Street
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parade
Georgia Day
Savannah Book Festival
St. Patrick's Day Parade
Spring and Holiday Tour of Homes
July 4th Celebration on River Street
Symphony in the Park
Jewish Food Festival
Octoberfest
Savannah Jazz Festival
Southern Lights Holiday Celebration

For a list of City sponsored events, please visit the Department of Cultural Affairs website at www.savannahga.gov/arts.

The Leisure Services Bureau (LSB) issues permits for any event that takes place on the historic squares and in Forsyth Park. They also manage the LSB Enforcement Marshals who are responsible for enforcing permitted events as well as artists, crafters, street performers and entertainers to ensure that they are complying with the guidelines set forth for parks, squares, Rousakis Plaza and the Riverfront.

It is the responsibility of each event sponsor to maintain control of their event. LSB Enforcement Marshals working collaboratively with the Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department are responsible for maintaining public safety and enforcing City ordinances. If there are serious infractions of policies or ordinances, event sponsor will lose the ability to obtain future event permits.

MOBILITY AND PARKING

Refers to City Code Sections 6-1544, 6-1546 and 7-1009.

Traveling in the Historic Landmark District

Savannah's street system is based on a gridiron pattern which moves traffic in either a north/south or an east/west direction. The Savannah River serves as the northern boundary of the Historic Landmark District and is often used as a directional landmark. Traffic flow toward the river is moving to the north, while traffic flow away from the river is moving to the south.

Bull Street serves as the spine of the Historic Landmark District and is the street that establishes the east/west orientation for the community. Street addresses begin with "1" and increase as one moves eastward or westward from Bull Street. The street running east/west is designated as East or West.

The streets that bound the squares are all one-way streets. Streets on the north side of the squares move traffic westward, while streets on the south side of the squares move traffic eastward. When approaching a square, the vehicle already in the square has the right-of-way and the car approaching the square must yield.

Drivers in the Historic Landmark District should be especially careful and aware of pedestrians, cyclists, other vehicles and street orientation. There are many one way streets in the Historic Landmark District that facilitate the efficient flow of traffic; however, they can also be confusing to new residents and visitors. In addition, cars driven by visitors or sight-seeing buses and carriages may cause congestion because they are often driven more slowly. All residents should be conscious of these vehicles and exercise patience and caution while driving in the District. Unless otherwise posted, the speed limit for streets in the Historic Landmark District is 25 miles per hour.

The best way to experience the charm and ambiance of the city is to travel by foot or bicycle. Walking and bicycling helps relieve traffic congestion in the Historic Landmark District and are healthier and better for the environment. Bicycling is however prohibited through the squares.

Parking Downtown

The City Mobility and Parking Services Department is responsible for managing the parking supply to benefit the greatest number of people. This is accomplished by creating off-street parking opportunities for long-term parkers and generating on-street parking space turnover for short-term parkers through time-limits, parking meters and enforcement.

Residential Parking Permits

Residents living in a metered zone can apply for a Residents Parking Permit. This provides free on-street parking at parking meters designated as two hours or more within the block on which they live and one additional block in each direction. Residents may apply for the permit by showing a copy of a lease agreement or tax bill for their residence and a current utility bill or deposit receipt from the City. The applicant's vehicle (except for military personnel) must be registered in Chatham County. Vehicles with a residential parking permit are prohibited from parking directly in front of commercial establishments. The residential permit is not valid for illegal parking including posted street sweeping zones. Residents are limited to three residential parking decals per household.

Residents along Broughton Street are permitted to park in timed zones adjacent to their residence for up to two hours. They may also park in metered parking spaces designated as two hours or more for an indefinite period of time.

Temporary Residential Permits

Residents with friends or family visiting the Historic Landmark District may also obtain a temporary parking permit at no charge. The permits are good for up to 4 weeks and allow visitors to park their vehicles free at most metered spaces within a one-block radius of the residence being visited. Residents must provide the vehicle make, model, and tag number of the guest's vehicle to obtain a temporary parking permit. New residents may also obtain a temporary parking permit while they are registering their vehicle in Chatham County.

Student Parking Permits

Parking permits are available for students. Free residential permits are available to those vehicles which are registered in Chatham County. To qualify, a student must live in a private residence

on a metered block and not in a dormitory. The parking privileges are the same as for the residential parking permit. The student must provide a valid student identification card when applying for a permit in addition to a lease and utility bill.

Disability Parking

Parking Services provides disability parking spaces for the exclusive use of vehicles displaying the appropriate permit. The spaces are dispersed in all areas of the city and include free spaces as well as metered spaces. The spaces are located on-street throughout the City, in City owned garages, and in the River Street lots.

Visitor Parking Day-Pass

Visitors may purchase a two-day parking pass from the Savannah Visitors Center, the Mobility and Parking Services Department or from hotels and inns. The pass authorizes free parking at meters of one hour or more, free parking in the City's lots and parking garages, and allows for exceeding the time limit in time-limit zones. Visitor day passes are not honored during special events.

For additional information, contact the City's Mobility and Parking Services Department located in the Bryan Street Parking Garage, 100 East Bryan Street, or call (912) 651-6470.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Public transportation is available to Savannah residents in several forms. Chatham Area Transit Authority—referred to as CAT—is the public transportation system serving the Savannah area. Bus service is available daily except for Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year’s Day. A fare is associated with this service. Complete route and schedule details can be found at www.catchacat.org or by contacting CAT at (912) 236-2111.

CAT offers an easy way to get around the Historic Landmark District with the CAT Shuttle. This is a shuttle that circulates seven days a week with stops convenient to establishments utilized by residents. The CAT shuttle is a fare-free system, is ADA accessible and connects to CAT routes.



Teleride

The Teleride transportation system is a door-to-door transportation service available to eligible disabled persons in the Savannah area. This includes persons who are unable, due to a permanent or temporary physical or mental disability, to use the fixed-route public transportation system. Residents wishing to use the system must complete an ADA paratransit eligibility application to be eligible to participate in the program.

Forms may be obtained by calling Teleride at (912) 354-6900 or from CAT’s website. A fare is associated with this service.

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dot—Downtown Transportation system—is Savannah’s fare-free mobility system managed by the Savannah Area Mobility Management Inc. This public-private partnership reduces vehicle and parking congestion while enhancing the Savannah experience for residents and visitors. *dot* is ADA accessible and includes the following components:

- The express shuttle serves ten stops and connects to key des-

mination areas, municipal parking garages and other mobility services.

- The River Street Streetcar operates along historic River Street from MLK to the Waving Girl Statue. The six stops coincide with the major north-south streets that have squares associated with them.
- The Savannah Belles Water Ferry transports passengers between downtown and Hutchinson Island. The three ferry landings are located behind City Hall, just to the east of the Waving Girl statue and at the Savannah International Trade & Convention Center.

For more information about *dot* please contact 912-447-4026 or visit www.connectonthedot.com.

GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Refers to City Code Sections 4-2001, 4-2002, 4-2003, 4-2004, 4-2005, 4-2006, 4-2007, 4-2010, 4-2011, 4-2012, 4-2013 and 4-2017

The proper disposal of garbage is essential in the Historic Landmark District. Lanes are used by City of Savannah's Sanitation Bureau to pick-up residential and commercial refuse.

The area of downtown from River Street to State Street between East Broad Street and Martin Luther King, Blvd. has been designated a Dumpster Free Zone. Within this zone, only commercial refuse compactors are acceptable for disposal of commercial refuse; no commercial dumpsters or individual commercial trash containers are permitted.

Residents should request containers for disposal of garbage and trash by dialing 311. Residential carts should be placed in the lane, abutting your property. Residents without lanes may also obtain residential carts by calling 311. Residents without a lane are responsible for taking out and bringing in residential carts on the scheduled pick-up day. Residential carts must be placed at the pick up point by 7 AM and removed by 7 PM on collection day. Sanitation crews empty residential carts in the Historic Landmark District every Thursday. The schedule varies on holidays. For more information about pick-up schedules or other questions, please call the Sanitation Bureau.

Containers for curbside recycling are available to residents of the City of Savannah that have a refuse account with the City and pay for residential refuse collection service. Recycling containers should be handled in the same way as refuse containers. Recyclable materials within the downtown area are collected on the second (2nd) and fourth (4th) Thursday of each month. Please note this schedule may vary if the pick-up date coincides with a holiday.

Residents of Savannah may also recycle at the following drop-off recycling locations (Please separate clear and mixed color glass; remove metal caps and rings; rinse and separate aluminum and steel metals):

Bacon Park Transfer Station

6400 Skidaway Road (Scrap Metal)

Barnes Restaurant

5320 Waters Avenue (Scrap Metal)

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Bartlett Middle School

207 Montgomery Cross Road (Aluminum, Scrap Metal)

Bartow Elementary School

1804 Stratford Street (Aluminum, Scrap Metal)

Capital Street Fire Station

2235 Capital Street (Aluminum, Plastic)

City/Chatham Resource Conservation Center

1308 Eisenhower Drive (Aluminum or Steel Cans, Scrap Metal, Paper, Cardboard, Magazines, Paper Books, Telephone Books, Pasteboard, Plastics #1 and #2, Clear, Brown and Green Glass, Used Motor Oil, Electronics, Lead Acid Batteries, Rechargeable Batteries, CDs, DVDs, Ink and Toner Cartridges)

City of Savannah Recycling Complex

14 Interchange Court off of West Gwinnett (Aluminum, Cardboard, Glass, Magazines, Newspaper, Plastic, Scrap Metal, Steel, White Goods)

Congregation Agudath Achim

9 Lee Blvd (Aluminum, Plastic)

Dean Forest Landfill

1327 Dean Forest Rd (Scrap Metal)

DeRenne Middle School

10009 Clinch Street (Aluminum, Scrap Metal)

East Broad Elementary School

400 E. Broad Street (Scrap Metal)

Garrison Elementary School

649 W. Jones Street (Aluminum, Plastic)

Savannah College of Art and Design

233 W. Boundary Street (Plastics, Aluminum, Paper)

Savannah Fire Station # 10 and

13704 Coffee Bluff Road (Aluminum, Plastic, Scrap Metal)

Savannah Fire Station #14

340 Highland Park Blvd (Aluminum, Plastic, Scrap Metal)

Savannah Hilton Head International Airport

Aluminum, Plastic, Mixed Paper

Savannah State University

Savannah Commons (Aluminum, Plastic)

Shuman Middle School

415 Goebel Ave (Aluminum, Plastic)

SCHOOLS

Two public schools are adjacent to the Historic Landmark District: East Broad Elementary School at 400 East Broad Street and Garrison Elementary at 649 West Jones Street. Both schools are for boys and girls in grades K-5 and have a Pre-K program available.

The Board of Education's Pupil Personnel Services Office at (912) 395-5584 can provide information about the school that your child will attend. If you are interested in placing your child in one of the many magnet programs, contact the magnet office of your child's school for more information.

Students attending public school must be registered at the school they will be attending. Documents required to register include a certified birth certificate; immunization records on Georgia state forms; vision, hearing and dental screening records from a family doctor or local health clinic; a Social Security card; proof of residency in the school attendance zone; and the previous year's report card if transferring from another school. For more information about Savannah Schools visit www.savannah.chatham.k12.ga.us.

The Historic Landmark District contains several private schools. Christ Church nursery school is located at 18 Abercorn Street. Veritas Christian Academy is located at 207 Bull Street and services children from grades K-12. St. Vincent's Academy, serving girls in grades 9-12, is located at 207 East Liberty Street.

The Savannah College of Art and Design is also based in the Historic Landmark District. The College has an enrollment of approximately 9,500 students and maintains classroom and dormitory buildings throughout the Historic Landmark District. The college offers a range of undergraduate and graduate degrees.

RENOVATING A BUILDING

The Historic Landmark District contains many beautifully restored commercial and residential buildings. To ensure building safety and compatibility in this area, the City of Savannah has established a two-tiered process for planning and implementing building renovation projects.

The Historic Landmark District Board of Review is responsible for reviewing any proposed change to the exterior of a building in the Historic District to make sure the change is appropriate for the structure and is visually compatible with the surrounding neighborhood. Certain minor items can be approved by the City of Savannah Preservation Officer. However, the Board must review and approve the following renovation projects:

- Demolition of a historic structure;
- Moving a structure into, within, or out of the Historic Landmark District;
- A material change in the exterior appearance of a structure through painting, additions, reconstruction, or alteration;
- New construction of a building, structure, or appurtenance, including walls, fences and sidewalks;
- Material changes in existing walls, fences and sidewalks;
- Addition or change of awnings; and
- Erection or placement of signs.

If a building renovation project proposes to change the use of a building, the City of Savannah has specific zoning and land use provisions in the Historic Landmark District. The City's Zoning Department should be contacted prior to starting any project to ensure the proposed new use is consistent with the zoning plan. The Zoning Department can be reached at (912) 651-6530.

A permit must also be obtained to place a construction dumpster on the City right-of-way. To obtain a dumpster permit application, contact the City's Traffic Engineering Department at (912) 651-5500 or visit the City's website at www.savannahga.gov and click on "City Forms."

UTILITIES

Contact information for the majority of service providers are listed below. Please note, many of these providers have offices in the Historic Landmark District. Office hours and locations can be obtained by calling the service provider.

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| Cable: | Comcast Cable (800) 266-2278 |
| Electric: | Georgia Power (888) 660-5890 |
| Telephone: | AT&T/ BellSouth (888) 757-6500 |
| Natural Gas: | Gas South (866) 762-6427 |
| | Georgia Natural Gas (877) 850-6200 |
| | MX Energy (877) 677-4355 |
| | SCANA Energy (877) 467-2262 |
| Recycling: | City of Savannah (912) 651-1967 |
| Refuse Collection: | City of Savannah (912) 651-6579 |
| Water Service: | City of Savannah (912) 651-6460 |

NOISE

Refers to City Code Sections 9-2034, 9-2035, 9-2036 and 9-2038

Oglethorpe's plan for the Historic Landmark District envisioned a mixture of residential, professional and commercial uses harmoniously coexisting together in an urban environment.

Today, this urban mixture involves a certain degree of hustle and bustle that provides significant energy within the District. Because of the attendant noise created by this vibrancy, the City has passed a noise ordinance.

Below is a list of common noise disturbances and the permitted times of occurrence. However, the best advice is to use common sense and remember that urban living requires a little extra sensitivity to the rights of your neighbors.

| Noise Disturbance | Time of Use |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Operation of Heavy Equipment | 7AM-7PM |
| Domestic Power Tools & Lawn Equipment | 7Am-10PM |
| Powered Model Vehicles | 8AM-9PM |
| Loading or Unloading* | 7AM-8PM |
| Sound Equipment* | 9AM-11PM |

**Refer to City Code for details*

For additional information on noise restrictions in the Historic Landmark District, please contact the Zoning Department at (912) 651-6530.

PETS

Refers to City Code Sections 9-5022, 9-5023, 9-5030 and 9-5031

All cats and dogs must be registered with the Chatham County Animal Control Center which requires proof of an annual anti-rabies vaccination. For more information, please contact Chatham County Animal Control at (912) 652-6575.

Many residents choose to have pets that must be walked on a regular basis. City law mandates that pets be on a leash and that the pet owner clean up after their pet. The law is applicable to all areas of the community, including squares, Forsyth Park and tree lawns. Pet waste is properly disposed when the owner scoops the waste with a device, places it in a paper or plastic baggie and deposits the waste in a trash receptacle.

Below are the names and numbers of agencies that can provide additional assistance.

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| Chatham County Animal Control: | (912) 652-6575 |
| Chatham County Animal Shelter: | (912) 351-6750 |
| Coastal Pet Rescue: | (912) 228-3538 |
| Humane Society: | (912) 354-9515 |
| Pet Assistance League of Savannah (PALS): | (912) 925-7257 |
| Save-A-Life Animal Welfare Agency: | (912) 598-7729 |

PUBLIC SAFETY

SAVANNAH-CHATHAM METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Savannah-Chatham Metropolitan Police Department (SCMPD) provides quality services in partnership with our community to promote safe and secure neighborhoods.

SCMPD uses Community Oriented Policing (COP) as an expanded outlook on crime control and prevention. COP recognizes the importance of deterring criminal activity through community involvement. By building a strong collaborative relationship between the police and residents, illegal activities are identified, prevented and solved. This can be achieved by becoming an active participant with the neighborhood association and ward.

Crime Prevention Officers offer educational programs to the public on general crime prevention measures utilizing department personnel such as neighborhood watch programs and business watch programs. They also disseminate information on crime prevention techniques and target hardening to home and business owners. Property owners may request complementary inspections of their property to gain suggestions on improving the physical security of their property. Additionally, the officer is responsible for encouraging citizens to become involved in community crime prevention programs.

For more information, contact the Downtown Precinct at (912) 651-6990.

FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

The Savannah Bureau of Fire and Emergence Services (SFES) offers the highest level of service through education, fire prevention, suppression, and emergency services throughout Savannah and the Historic District.

SFES responds to all fire alarms and reports of structure fires. Additionally, a 24- hour Hazardous Materials Response Team is available.

Every year, residents should have their portable fire extinguishers and fire alarms inspected. Please make time to have a plan in place for all emergency situations.

TOURISM

Refers to City Code Sections 6-1501 thru 6-1551 and 6-1561 thru 6-1593

Several ordinances are in place to regulate businesses which serve the tourism industry to include motorcoach parking, trolley and walking tours and taxi cabs. Tourism and Film Services (TFS) develops the regulations, and Mobility and Parking Services Department (MPS) serves as the enforcement team.

Tourism Advisory Committee (TAC)

TFS also guides and provides staff support for the TAC. This is a 13-member group appointed by Mayor and Aldermen and includes representatives from the Downtown Neighborhood Association, the tourism industry and the historic preservation and business community to provide input to policy recommendations to the City in the areas of parking and routine tourism-related traffic activities, the qualification and licensing of tour guides and the enforcement of tourism management regulations. If residents have a concern about tourism, they should contact Tourism and Film Services at (912) 651-2360 or the Downtown Neighborhood Association at (912) 236-8362.

Carriage Tours

Horse-drawn carriage tours are a common site within the Historic Landmark District. A separate ordinance outlining procedures and guidelines governs these tours. TFS and MPS act as the regulating entity of the carriage tour companies. It is permissible to pass carriages when a safe distance is kept between the automobile, carriage and any other obstructions.

Equine

The City of Savannah employs a full-time staff person to deal with issues surrounding equine sanitation. Although carriage tour companies are responsible for handling any sanitation issues which their horses create, this City staff person is tasked with sanitizing and deodorizing the streets of Savannah which have been soiled by those horses. This staff person is tasked with eliminating any smells associated with this issue while still operating within the storm water drainage guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency. Residents wishing to report issues surrounding equine sanitation should call 311 or contact the City of Savannah's Mobility and Parking Services Department at (912) 651-6470.

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

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| Fire or Police Emergency | 911 |
| Police Non-emergency | (912) 652-6500 |
| Fire Non-emergency | (912) 651-6758 |

City of Savannah

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| Customer Service Center..... | 311 |
| | (912) 651-6565 |
| Development Services..... | (912) 651-6530 |
| Leisure Services..... | (912) 351-3837 |
| Mobility and Parking Services..... | (912) 651-6470 |
| Park and Tree | (912) 651-6610 |
| Property Maintenance..... | (921) 651-6770 |
| Police: Downtown Precinct..... | (912) 651-6990 |
| Sanitation..... | (912) 651-6579 |
| Streets Maintenance..... | (912) 651-6571 |
| Traffic Engineering | (912) 651-6600 |
| Tourism and Film Services..... | (912) 651-2360 |
| Water. | (912) 651-6620 |
| Zoning..... | (912) 651-6530 |

Other Important Business Contact Information

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|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Chatham Area Transit Authority..... | (912) 236-2111 |
| Downtown Neighborhood Association..... | (912) 236-8362 |
| Downtown Business Association..... | (912) 660-4718 |
| Historic Savannah Foundation | (912) 233-7787 |
| Metropolitan Planning Commission..... | (912) 651-1480 |
| Savannah Development and Renewal Authority..... | (912) 651-6973 |

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