



# Application for Nomination to Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board of Directors

City of Winterville, GA

*Please complete the application and return to Wendy Bond at  
cityhall@cityofwinterville.com or at City Hall by appointment at  
125 S. Church St. Winterville, GA, 30683.*

## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I am: (Check all that apply)

- A Resident taxpayer of the City of \_\_\_\_\_
- A Resident taxpayer of the County of \_\_\_\_\_
- A Business Owner and/or Operator in the DDA service boundaries.
- Currently Serving on another Board or Commission. Please list: \_\_\_\_\_

## QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

*(see GA Statute Qualifications § 36-42-7 on page 3 of this application)*

Do you meet the qualification requirements as a resident and/or business owner/operator?

Yes  No

If you are a business owner/operator, what is the name and address of your business?

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The DDA meets monthly; will you be able to commit to attending scheduled meetings and other board activities as needed?

Yes  No

Briefly describe your current work or volunteer experience.

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What do you consider to be the greatest strength(s) that you would bring to the DDA?

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Why do you want to serve on the DDA?

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### APPLICANT CONSIDERATION AGREEMENT

I will allow my name to be submitted for consideration in service to the Authority; and if appointed to serve as a member of the Board of Directors, I agree to:

- Attend all possible regular Board meetings, committee meetings, and any special meetings.
- Attend eight (8) hours of training within my first year of service as required by Georgia State Statute.
- Attend the Annual Strategic Planning Session.
- Enter into full discussion and participation in policy decisions affecting the DDA and its purpose.
- Accept responsibility for assignments and offer suggestions on programming or operations.
- Maintain matters of confidence.
- Disclose any current or potential conflicts of interest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board Member Qualifications (§ 36-42-7)

(a) Directors shall be:

1. Taxpayers residing in the municipal corporation for which the authority is created;
2. Owners or operators of businesses located within the downtown development area and who shall be taxpayers residing in the county in which is located the municipal corporation for which the authority is created; or
3. Persons having a combination of the qualifications specified in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection; provided, however, that one of such directors may be a member of the governing body of the municipal corporation.

(b) Not less than four of the directors having the qualifications specified in subsection (a) of this Code section shall be persons who, in the judgment of the governing body of the municipal corporation, either have or represent a party who has an economic interest in the redevelopment and revitalization of the downtown development area. Successors to the directors shall be appointed by the governing body of the municipal corporation.

(c) The directors shall elect one of their members as chairman and another as vice chairman and shall also elect a secretary and a treasurer or a secretary-treasurer, either of whom may but need not be a director. The directors shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties. Each authority shall have perpetual existence.

(c.1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Code section, one director appointed to the board may reside outside the county; provided, however, that such appointed director owns a business within the downtown development area and is a resident of the State of Georgia. If subsequently to his or her appointment to the board pursuant to this subsection, the director ceases to own a business within the downtown development area or reside in the State of Georgia, such director shall relinquish his or her seat on the board.

Essential Duties:

- **PURPOSE:** The DDA was created and exists to promote the development of trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities within the designated Downtown Development Authority area of the City.
- **PROTECT:** DDAs are regulated by state statute, so they can provide protection to cities who work through their DDAs. Example: cities are not liable for their DDA's debts or contracts.
- **POWERS:** DDAs have certain powers granted by the state that cities don't have.
- **Example:** to acquire by purchase, lease, or otherwise and to hold, lease, and dispose of real and personal property.
- **PROJECTS:** DDAs are charged with redevelopment of their service area and completing projects.
- **Example:** the acquisition and renovation of downtown properties for target business recruitment and expansion.
- **POTENTIAL:** DDAs are concerned only with their mission and projects, not the burdens of a local government, so board members have the potential to solve problems and engage in sustainable redevelopment. Example: through training, board members may become redevelopment specialists.