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Proposed Historic District Ordinance Public Forum

**Buker Community Center Gymnasium, 22 Armory Street
Tuesday, September 22, 2015, 6:30pm**

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend this public forum to hear about historic districts in other communities and what their experiences have been then discuss Augusta's proposed ordinance.

A panel has been invited by Mayor Rollins to attend and provide information. Retired Chief Justice of the Maine Supreme Judicial Court, Dan Wathen, will facilitate the meeting and assist with public input and involvement during the forum. Please attend!

The following people will be panelists:

Deb Andrews - Managed Portland's historic preservation program since 1992, following two years as a Senior Planner. During her tenure as Program Manager, Portland has received national recognition for its preservation efforts. Before joining the City, she served as Executive Director of Greater Portland Landmarks. Deb is a graduate of Bowdoin College and received a master's degree in historic preservation from the University of Vermont.

Chris Closs - Maine Preservation - Field Service Advisor, was hired at the program's inception in 2009. Mr. Closs consulted on historic tax credits for 30 years, managing 62 Certified Rehabilitations, totaling \$300 million in investments. He was the NH Main Street Program founding chair and Preservation Planner with the National Trust in Boston. He was Adjunct Professor in the graduate Certificate Program in Historic Preservation at Plymouth State University in NH. Chris received his BA in European History from Boston University and two MS degrees from the University of Vermont in Natural Resources Planning and in Historic Preservation. In his free time, Chris is a talented restoration carpenter, having completely rehabilitated two older properties in his lifetime: one, a historic farm with five buildings where he drafted preservation easements upon sale, and the second his current home in Hopkinton, NH.

Meagan Hopkins - Historic Coordinator, MaineDOT. Former chair of the Augusta Historic Preservation Commission. Megan surveyed the neighborhood outside the National Historic Districts and determined contributing/non-contributing properties.