



# FACADE IMPROVEMENT MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM MAIN STREET WAUCHULA, INC.

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The purpose of the Facade Matching Grant Program is to improve both the aesthetic and architectural qualities of the buildings within the City of Wauchula Historic Zone pursuant with the economic revitalization and historic preservation of the downtown business district. As an incentive, Main Street Wauchula, Inc., is offering a matching grant program, which will financially assist in the facade rehabilitation of downtown buildings.

Business property owners are encouraged to apply for matching grant funds to rehabilitate their properties. Main Street Wauchula, Inc. will provide matching contributions to reimburse the property owner up to 50% of the cost of the facade rehabilitation up to a maximum of \$2,500. Award amounts are up to the discretion of the Main Street Wauchula Design Committee.

All property owners requesting to participate in the Facade Matching Grant Program from Main Street Wauchula, Inc. are required to comply with the following grant guidelines and procedures:

1. Repair and historic preservation of existing structures and facades is encouraged. Changes to the facades should either:
  - A. Partially or fully restore the appearance of the building based on available evidence including photographs, blueprints, drawings, written documentation or other data on the building.
  - B. Represent an appropriate modern treatment if compatible with the building and those adjacent to it.
2. Paint colors will be chosen from a pallet of paint samples provided by the Main Street Design Committee. Trim colors, which highlight building details, are encouraged.
3. Signage, awnings, and canopy treatments should compliment the building in design and color and add to the historic nature of the building and adjacent buildings.
4. Surface cleaning of structures will be completed utilizing the gentlest means possible. Cleaning methods that damage the historic building materials such as sandblasting and the use of harsh chemical solvents will not be undertaken.
5. All proposed improvements must meet any applicable ordinances of the City of Wauchula and all required permitting must be obtained prior to beginning construction. The property owner must approve, in writing, improvements proposed by a tenant.
6. In order to maximize the number of grants awarded, applicants will be limited to one grant per year per property (from approval date).
7. A project identification sign will be displayed in a prominent location on-site while work is in process identifying the project and source of grant support.
8. Project elements must be maintained for in place for a minimum of 1 year for awards up to \$1,000 and 2 years for awards over \$1,000 or will result in a refund of the award on a prorated basis.

# APPLICATION PROCESS

If you are interested in taking advantage of the Facade Improvement Matching Grant Program it will be necessary to submit an application to the Main Street Wauchula, Inc. Design Committee for review. If you require technical assistance with your proposed improvements, our Design Committee will be glad to assist you. We do require membership in Main Street Wauchula, Inc. for grant amounts above \$500 in order to benefit from this Program. Applications are processed by date received until funds are exhausted.

## The completed application will consist of the following:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Application
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Permit Page
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Photographs of existing condition of subject property.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Plans and specifications outlining proposed improvements, materials to be used and construction procedures for all facade improvements and changes in signage.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed improvements, materials, colors, samples of all paint colors to be used and/or sample of awning or canopy material. (Buildings within the HC1 area are subject to following the design guidelines set forth in the City of Wauchula Code of Ordinances and review and approval by the appointed reviewing board or committee)
6. \_\_\_\_\_ 2 professional estimates provided by a licensed contractor.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Submittal of any required permits (as noted in the Permit section)

All applications will be reviewed by the Design Committee to assure that the proposed plans are consistent with the intent of the Program. Upon review, the Design Committee will make one of the following recommendations:

1. Approved
2. Approved with changes
3. Approved with partial funding
4. Denied funding

## REQUIREMENTS FOR FUNDING:

- Project work must begin within 60 days of the approval date and be completed within 180 days from the date of commencement.
- Main Street membership (Business Level) paid for awards over \$500
- Submittals
  - Copies of all paid invoices
  - Copies of cancelled checks (front and back)
  - Photos completed work

## MAINTAINING PROJECT

Project elements must be maintained for in place for a minimum of 1 year for awards up to \$1,000 and 2 years for awards over \$1,000 or will result in a refund of the award on a prorated basis.

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## APPLICATION

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Name (if different) \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Description of proposed improvements: (attach additional pages if necessary)

\* Attach current pictures, proposed plans and specifications, color samples and any other relevant supporting documentation.

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Estimated Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Requested \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Maximum award is \$2,500)

## PERMITS

Is a Building Permit required for this project? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

Building Dept. Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Is a Historic Preservation Board Permit required for this project? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

City of Wauchula. Authorization: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## AGREEMENT

I hereby submit the attached plans, specifications and color samples for the proposed project and understand that these must be approved by the Main Street Wauchula, Inc. Design Committee and that no work should begin until I receive written approval from Main Street Wauchula, Inc. I have read and understand what items are necessary to complete this application and what is required to receive funding. I understand that project elements must be maintained for in place for a minimum of 1 year for awards up to \$1,000 and 2 years for awards over \$1,000 or will result in a refund of the award on a prorated basis.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Property Owner

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Design Committee Comments: _____ _____ _____
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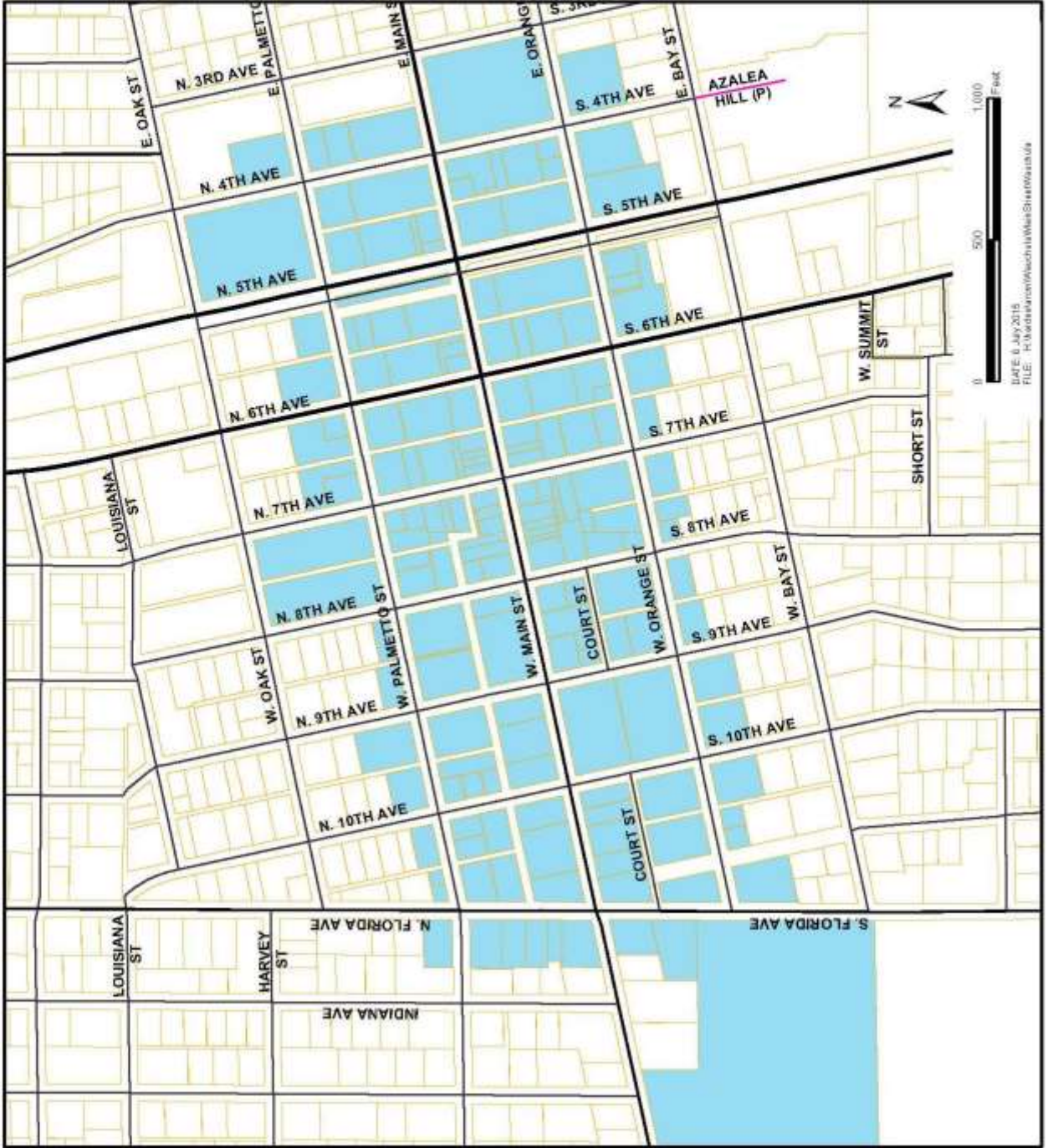
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# MAIN STREET WAUCHULA



## LEGEND

- US Highways
- State Roads
- County Roads
- Secondary Roads
- Private Roads
- Parcels
- Main Street Wauchula



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