



TEXAS MAIN STREET RESOURCE TEAM VISITS BUDA

BUDA, TX — Buda became a Texas Main Street city on January 1, 2017 and is proud to be one of 89 cities statewide with the prestigious designation from the Texas Historical Commission. The Texas Main Street Program is a revitalization program for historic downtown and neighborhood commercial districts. A Resource Team from the Texas Main Street Program is visiting Buda May 11th and 12th.

What is a Resource Team? A Resource Team visit is provided by the Texas Main Street Program to new cities that are in their first year in the program. This activity has been a vital part of Texas Main Street for 35 years. The effort involves Texas Main Street staff and guest professionals who spend several days in the new city, meeting with city leaders, business and building owners and community members and assessing the community to develop a plan of action under the Main Street formula. Each assessment trip is specifically tailored for the individual community. The basic intent of the activity remains the same – to provide a solid first-year foundation for an emerging Texas Main Street community and help it move toward long-term sustainability. A key point here is that a resource team is not conducted just for the purpose of a deliverable – a report. While a comprehensive report is provided at a later date, our program is relationship-based; we provide continual professional services to our designated communities throughout their participation time in the program. In order to provide the highest level of service in the areas of design/architecture, historic preservation, economic development, planning and organizational management to the Main Street program, we have to develop a sound working knowledge of the characteristics and issues our downtowns are facing. Each of our communities is different from one another and so the structure of our services will vary as well.

The Ideal Resource Team assessment accomplishes the following:

- Assess the condition and potential of the town;
- Begin what will hopefully become a long-standing, productive relationship between the Main Street staff and the local program;
- Develop a plan of action;
- Give direction early on;
- Plant thought;
- Inform/educate the public at large on the Main Street concept;
- Assist in setting up local committees;
- Provide a fresh look at the town through the eyes of 'outsider' professionals;
- Build partnerships.

The public is invited to attend the Resource Team Overview meeting. This will include recommendations, a market data and design presentation, and more.

**Texas Main Street Resource Team Overview Meeting
May 12, 2017
2:30 p.m.— 4:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
121 Main Street**