



# HISTORIC SITE AND MONUMENT COMMISSION (HSMC)

Application for Historical Markers, Monuments, and Public Art

HSMC reviews all historical markers, monuments, and public art on public property; markers, monuments, and public art visible from the public right-of-way on private property within all local historic districts; murals visible from the public right-of-way. Applications must be complete before the HSMC can begin the review process. Submit this application form and all supplemental documentation as required in the "Instructions: Submittal Criteria Checklist" with one hard copy and in PDF electronic format. **Email submissions to [historic@thempc.org](mailto:historic@thempc.org). Ensure the file size does not exceed 15 MB.** If Email is not available, contact the office for alternate arrangements.

**File No.:** \_\_\_\_\_ (staff only)

**Applicant Contact Information:**

Name: City of Savannah Water Resources Department Laura Walker

Address: 20 Interchange Court

City: Savannah 912-651-2221

State GA Zip Phone: 31405 lwalker@savannahga.gov

**Property Owner Contact Information and Consent** (Complete only if the marker will be on private property):

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

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Official Correspondence:**  Applicant  Owner  Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Check all that apply)

**Property Information:** (PIN information can be found at [www.sagis.org](http://www.sagis.org).)

Public Property  Private Property PIN (Property Identification Number): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: various

**Scope of Work:** (Check all that apply.)

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| <b>HISTORICAL MARKER:</b>  | <b>MONUMENT:</b>                           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Freestanding                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Person            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wall-Mounted                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Place             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Embedded                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Event             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:            |
| <b>PUBLIC ART / MURAL (Commissioned or Existing Work):</b>       | <b>NAMING AND RENAMING:</b>                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mural                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Property   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Facilities |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>shadedrain art</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Streets    |

**Project Description:** Describe the proposed project and scope of work in detail. Additional pages may be attached. Submit all supplemental documentation as required in the separate "Instructions: Submittal Criteria Checklist."

**2022 Savannah-Chatham County Historic Site and Monument Commission Meeting Schedule:**

| <b>Application Deadline (Due by 3:00 pm)</b>        | <b>Meeting Date</b>       |
|---|---------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday, December 2, 2021 | Thursday, January 6, 2022 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> January 6                  | February 3                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> February 3                 | March 3                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> March 3                    | April 7                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> April 7                    | May 5                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> May 5                      | June 2                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 2                     | July 7                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> July 7          | August 4                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> August 4                   | September 1               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> September 1                | October 6                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> October 6                  | November 3                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> November 3                 | December 1                |

**Estimated Cost of the Proposed Work:** \$ \$ 700 - 1200

**Filing Fee Schedule:**

No filing fee is required for HSMC review.

**Public Notice for Historic Site and Monument Commission Meetings:**

The applicant is responsible for posting the Board Meeting signs provided by the MPC fifteen (15) days prior to the HSMC Meeting. Refer to *Chapter 9 of the Markers, Monuments, and Public Art Master Plan and Guidelines for the City of Savannah* for additional posting requirements.

**Signature of Legal Owner or Authorized Agent:**

I have read and understand all the information enclosed in this application form. I understand that an Escrow Payment is required for any historical marker erected on public property. I hereby certify that I am the legal owner or authorized agent for the legal owner of the subject property.

**Signature:** *Jana Walden* **Date:** *July 7, 2022*  
*Water Resources Environmental Manager*



## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

**Introduction** - Working with Cultural Affairs, Recreation Services and Savannah Chatham County Public School System, the Water Resources Department plans to paint ten storm drains within the larger Casey Drainage Basin. This Basin flows into the Vernon River and three of the waterways are impaired due to pollution. This public outreach and engagement project will be used to comply with the City's Municipal Stormwater permit and is phase one of three to be implemented city-wide.

**Background** - Savannah is surrounded by creeks that flow to rivers that flow to the ocean. Living in the City, we don't see the rivers and oceans every day, yet we are still connected to them and to the plants and wildlife living in them. We may not hear the otter munching an oyster, but our pet's waste left on the ground impacts the safety of that oyster. We may not see the turtle eating jellyfish, but our plastic litter looks like food and injures them. We may not see the shrimp boat working the estuary, but many of us enjoy what the nets bring in! The price we pay for our wonderful local seafood depends, in large part, on the quality of the water.

So, what connects us to these waters, plants, and wildlife we don't see? What connects us is something we do see every single day. It is the storm drain in front of our homes, schools, offices, parks, grocery stores, restaurants, and gas stations. This lowly, unassuming, gray structure is a major gateway joining our everyday activities to our rivers and ocean. It is there to take rain away from the land in storms and to prevent flooding. When only rain goes down that drain our waters stay healthy. But rain will pick up what's on the ground. When we have pollutants like pet waste and litter on the ground, when we use fertilizers incorrectly, when we put oils and chemicals on the ground, we have unhealthy water.

This project is part of a larger campaign to lift the lowly storm drain to a level of prominence, so we are reminded of our connection to our rivers and ocean. We are reminded that our actions impact the wildlife and local economies that depend on our waters staying healthy.

**Our Impaired Waterways** - The City of Savannah lies within two watersheds, the Savannah and the Ogeechee River Watersheds. The City's largest stormwater basins, the Casey and Springfield flow in different directions. Springfield flows into the Savannah River. Most of the southeastern side of our city flows to the Ogeechee River Watershed by way of the Casey Canal which runs along the Truman Parkway. The Casey, which connects to Hayners Creek and converges with Harmon Creek, are the headwaters of the

Vernon River. The Casey Basin is a large basin made up of subbasins called Casey South (south of Victory Drive), Chippewa (south of Eisenhower Drive), Wilshire (surrounding the White Bluff Road), and Windsor (the Windsor Forest Neighborhood).

In 2005, the Georgia Environmental Protection Division categorized the Casey Basin and

Hayners Creek as impaired. This requires the City to take actions to reduce the main pollutant, bacteria. The city is required to install water quality improvement elements to stormwater infrastructure and conduct public outreach because much of the bacteria comes from humans, pet waste and litter. The goal is to improve water quality so Casey and Hayners Creek can be removed from the State's impaired waters list. Community support is critical to delisting these waterways. As Casey and Hayners have been impaired for years it is the focus area for Phase 1.

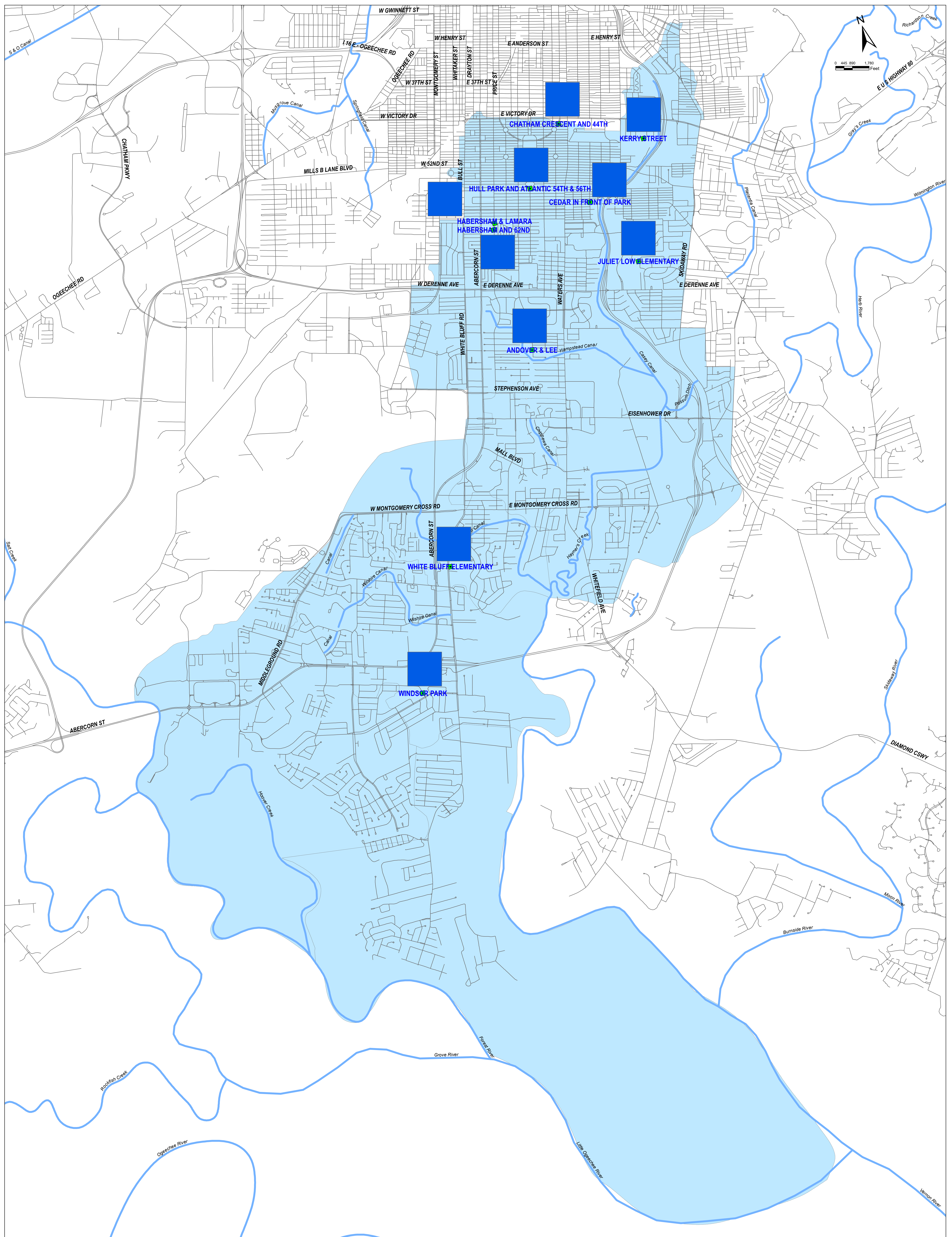


#### Contest - Storm drain selections

were made based on location in the Casey Basin, public visibility, and safety. Four drain locations are in or near City parks and four are adjacent to elementary schools. The others are in areas where there is moderate to heavy pedestrian and bicycle activity. (See the map for all drain locations.) Coordination with school and City park staff will be ongoing, but all schools and City staff have approved the project concept. The contest will be coordinated by the City's Cultural Affairs Department. A panel selected winners from the 40 entries. The panel included city staff as well as two local artists and Hermina Glass-Hill from Oceana and prominent ecologist Cathy Sakas.



**Installation** – In September staff will secure the ten drains with barricades and install a tent over each. Staff will clean, prep, and seal the drains. Artists will be given all supplies to complete their work. The sealants (metal and concrete) and paint are Sherwin Williams products which have been used by other cities for storm drain art projects. The life of the installation is projected to range from 3 to 5 years or longer. The exact design may be repainted to the drain. Or the drain can be cleaned and prepped for a new design approved by the HSMC and City Council prior to installation.



# 44<sup>th</sup> Street and Chatham Crescent



# Kerry Street at Dixie



# Cedar Street at Delessops





Atlantic and 54th



# Atlantic and 56th

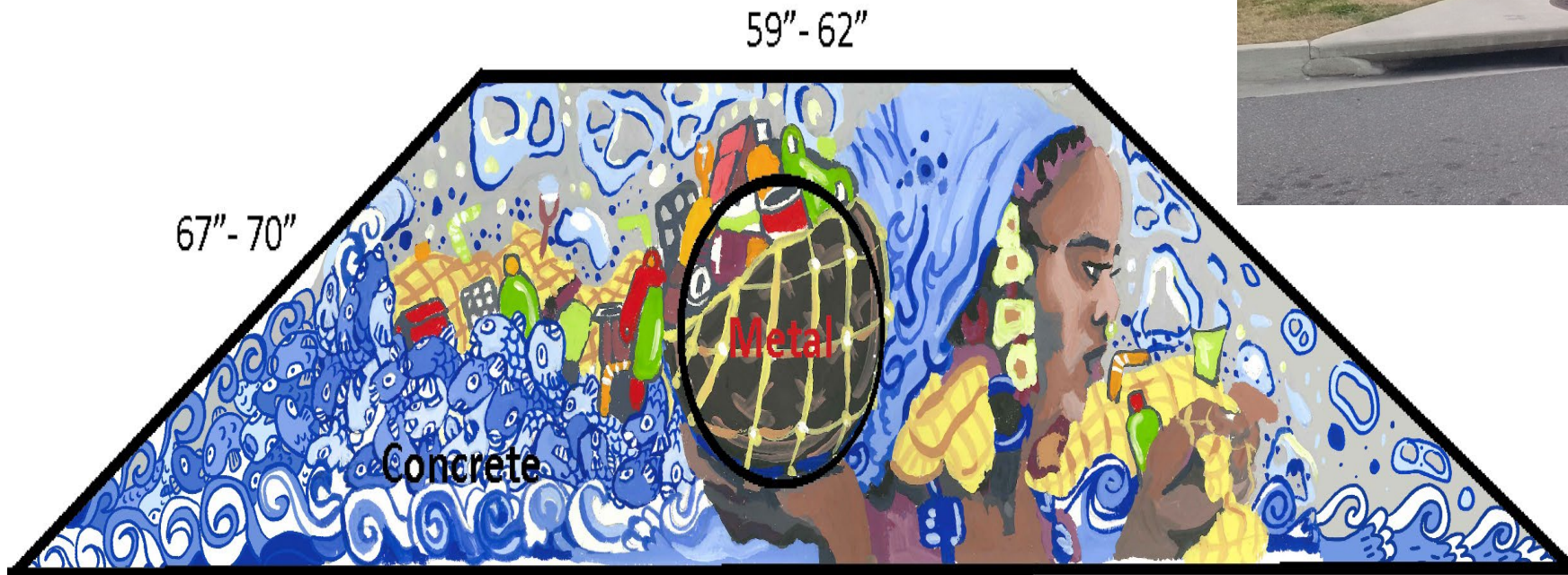


Intended Location:  
Hull Park- Atlantic & 56th

# 62<sup>nd</sup> Street and Habersham



# Juliette Low Elementary School



Street

# Heard Elementary School



# White Bluff Elementary School



# Woodley Road at Windsor Park

