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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic

and/or common Lula Residential Historic District

2. Location

street & number Cobb, Carter, Chattahoochee, and Toombs Streets

N/A not for publication

city, town Lula

N/A vicinity of

state Georgia

code 013

county Hall

code 139

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Multiple Owners

street & number

city, town

_____ vicinity of

state

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Superior Court

street & number Hall County Courthouse

city, town Gainesville

state Georgia

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Historic Structural Field Survey

title Hall County

has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1976

federal state county local

depository for survey records Georgia Department of Natural Resources

city, town Atlanta

state Georgia

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Lula Residential Historic District is located in the western section of the small town of Lula, in the area north of the Southern Rail Line, around Cobb, Carter, Chattahoochee, and Toombs Street, in northeastern Hall County. The district is comprised of late 19th- and early 20th-century houses and one plain style church.

The most typical architectural style in the district is vernacular with Victorian-eclectic elements which include wood-framed construction, porches with squared, chamfered, or round posts, bracketed posts, doors with transoms and sidelights, chimneys with decorative brick detailing, and hipped, gable metal, and shingle roofs. The Lula United Methodist Church, located on the west side of Toombs Street at the intersection with Chattahoochee Street, is a simple, wood-framed, plain-style rectangular structure with front porch, and side and rear wing additions. The West home, located at the northeast corner of the intersection of Cobb and Chattahoochee Streets is a good example of the Victorian style with Craftsman details. It is a one-story, wood-framed structure with multiple gables, a wrap-around porch with Doric columns resting on brick bases, decorative attic vents, and a tin roof.

The residences within the district are situated in the center of their lots and are fairly close to the street. The district has a rolling terrain and is landscaped with large shade trees, grass lawns, foundation shrubbery, and sidewalks.

The district boundary is based on an intact area of historic residences in the western part of Lula. The downtown area to the east is a mixture of non-historic and historic buildings. The district is surrounded by non-historic development to the north and south. The area at the north western end of Cobb Street is vacant land. There are no non-contributing properties in this small historic district.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
				Local history

Specific dates 1873 - 1934 **Builder/Architect** various

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Lula Residential Historic District is significant in the areas of architecture, community planning and development, and local history.

In terms of architecture, the district is important for its intact collection of late 19th- and early 20th-century vernacular structures with Victorian-eclectic detailing. This is the only group of historic residences in the Lula community, that is representative of the type of residential architecture found in small towns in north Georgia and the southeast at the turn of the century. Architectural details include wood-framed construction, porches with squared, chamfered, or round posts, bracketed posts, doors with transoms and sidelights, chimneys with decorative brick detailing, and hipped gable metal, and shingle roofs. The district also contains a representative example of a small town wood-framed church.

The district is significant in the area of community planning and development for its association with Joseph H. and Dunstan E. Banks who deeded land for the junction of the Northeastern Railroad and the Richmond and Danville Air Line Railroad in the mid 1870s. The development of the town of Lula following the construction of the railroad was a common phenomenon in northeast Georgia and the southeast in the latter part of the 19th century. The district developed into a grid-iron pattern as a result of a plan and survey by Joel Hurt, a landowner in the area who sold lots to individuals in the 1870s about the time that the railroad came through Lula. In 1877 a post office was established at "Lula Junction" and in 1879 the town's name was changed to Lula. The town was officially chartered in 1905.

In terms of local history, the district is important for its association with early Lula residents which included Joseph H. Banks, the first postmaster; Ned Gailey, a jeweler; Richard Martin and H.N. Gowder, merchants; E.F. Whitworth, a banker; and H.A. Gardner, a farmer. The town was originally named for Miss Lula Phinezy, daughter of Ferdinand Phinezy, a large landowner in the area.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Jaeger, Dale. "Lula Residential Historic District - Historic District Information Form". September, 1984. (On file at the Historic Preservation Section, Georgia Department of Natural Resources).

10. Geographical Data

Acreege of nominated property 12 acres, approximately

Quadrangle name Lula, GA.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

A

1	1	7	2	5	4	4	2	0	3	8	0	8	2	1	2	0
Zone	Easting			Northing												

B

1	1	7	3	5	4	4	0	0	3	8	0	1	7	9	1	7	0
Zone	Easting			Northing													

C

1	1	7	2	5	4	4	6	0	3	8	0	8	5	1	2	0
Zone	Easting			Northing												

D

Zone	Easting			Northing													

E

Zone	Easting			Northing													

F

Zone	Easting			Northing													

G

Zone	Easting			Northing													

H

Zone	Easting			Northing													

Verbal boundary description and justification

The district boundary is described by a heavy black line on the enclosed "property/sketch map" and is justified in Section 7.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	county	code

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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Georgia Department of Natural Resources date 6-12-85

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city or town Atlanta state Georgia

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Elizabeth A. Lyon
Elizabeth A. Lyon

title Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

date 6/19/85

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

for Helene Lyon
Keeper of the National Register

Entered in the
National Register

date 9/11/85

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration