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SUMMERS STREET HISTORIC DISTRICT

Name: Summers Street Historic District, Kennesaw, Cobb County, Georgia

Location: Summers Street, between South Main Street and West Road.

Owner: Multiple ownership (see attached list)

Description:

The Summers Street Historic District consists of several late-nineteenth-century town residences and a single farmhouse along Summers Street between South Main Street and West Road. These houses are all located along the southwest side of Summers Street, with the exception of the farmhouse at the southern end of the district. The houses are modest one- and two-story frame structures with some Queen Anne, Eastlake and Craftsman detailing. They generally share a common setback line and are of a similar scale on relatively small lots. Two intrusions are present in the district -- a small brick structure used as a television-repair shop to the rear (southwest) of Lot 91, and a small frame contemporary house on the northwest half of Lot 23 [see photographs 33-36].

Significance:

The Summers Street Historic District constitutes an intact segment of another nineteenth-century wagon-road development similar to, but less extensive than, the Cherokee Street area. Included here are several in-town residences and one outlying farmhouse. In terms of transportation history, the district incorporates as its central feature a stretch of the old Cassville Road, another of the nineteenth-century wagon roads in Kennesaw. In terms of agricultural history, the district includes a fine Victorian farmhouse with an updated Craftsman-style porch standing on a prominent knoll at the historic edge of the city. In terms of architectural history, the district is significant for its remaining late-nineteenth-century residences, which include some of the most elaborately detailed in Kennesaw and represent the type of housing found in such a small northwest Georgia town. In terms of local history, the district contains two houses (Hill-Burrell House, #24, and the Hill-Rosenburg House, #84), built by the sons of prominent Civil War-era merchant John W.

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"Bacon" Hill, whose notoriously brazen dealings with Yankee occupation troops garnered him the fortune passed on to his sons, and the Butler House (#91), which still remains in the family of a prominent Big Shanty pioneer, Major Hiram Butler.

Acreage: 6 acres

Verbal Boundary Description:

The boundary of the Summers Street Historic District is identified and described by a heavy black line on the attached map of the Kennesaw multiple-resource area. This boundary encompasses an intact residential segment surviving from the old Cassville Road wagon-road development. Northeast of the district, along the other side of Summers Street, is a small modern shopping plaza. Southeast of the district is a lumberyard. South and southwest of the district is a tract of more recent, historically insignificant frame houses. West of the district is a high school and cemetery.

UTM References:

R	Zone 16	E720275	N3766845
S	Zone 16	E720520	N3766610
T	Zone 16	E720350	N3766555
U	Zone 16	E720220	N3766810

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Property Owners - Summers Street Historic District

Street and  
Lot Number

Owners and Mailing Addresses

Summers Street

91	Richard B. Butler, 2741 Summers Street, Kennesaw, Ga. 30144
90	Fred F. Chalker, 4297 Cedar Valley Lane, Conley, Ga. 30144
89	Edward Wayne Weaver, 2721 Summers Street, Kennesaw, Ga. 30144
88	Lou Ella Dunton Simmerlin, 487 S. Cobb Drive, Smyrna, Ga. 30080
23	E.J. Crary, P.O. Box 788, Smyrna, Ga. 30080
24	Margaret Burrell, 2689 Summers Street, Kennesaw, Ga. 30144
84	Harold and Jane Rosenberg, 2676 Summers Street, Kenne- saw, Ga. 30144