

MACON-BIBB DESIGN GUIDELINES

Creating Design Guidelines for
Macon-Bibb's Historic Districts



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Project Overview

- Existing guidelines created in 1986
- Need updating
 - new technology
 - materials
 - clearly defined process
- Contributing/non-contributing maps updated
- Periods of significance updated for each district

The Process



History

Survey

Public Input

Prepare Draft 1


Public Input

Prepare Draft 2

Public Input

Prepare Final Draft

Adoption of Design Guidelines

 **First Quarter of 2025**

Local Historic Districts



01 **Protect historic resources**

Prevents demolition, inappropriate alterations

02 **Ensure compatible new design**

Preserving the past while embracing the future

03 **Certificate of Appropriateness Required**

All changes visible from a public ROW

Historic Districts Included

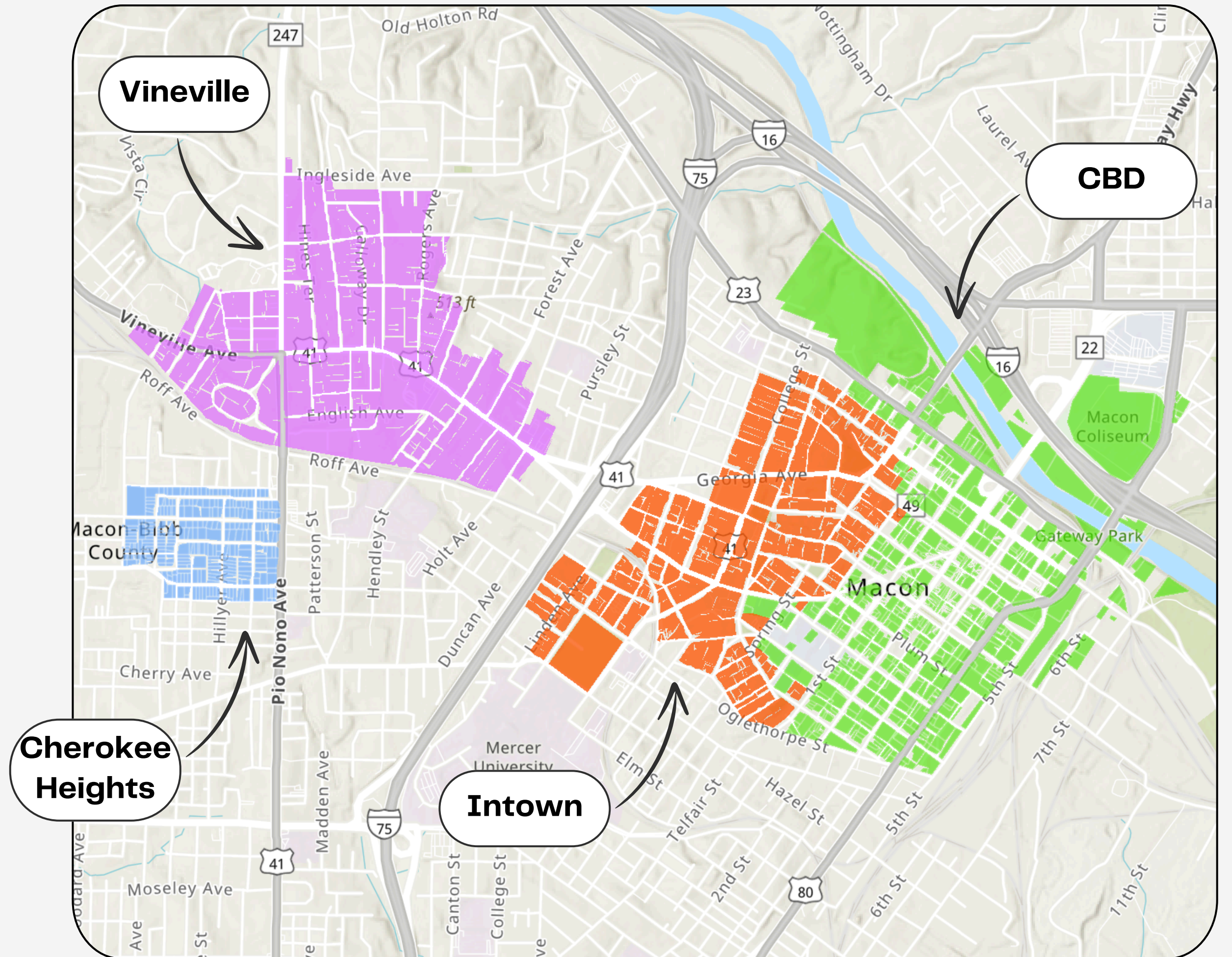
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**CENTRAL BUSINESS
DISTRICT**

VINEVILLE

CHEROKEE HEIGHTS

Historic Districts



Survey Progress

As of June 19...



- 47 responses
- 97.8% Macon residents
- 71.7% Historic district residents
- 33% Vineville residents
- 84.8% Very important to save historic buildings
- 91.3% Very or somewhat important for new buildings to fit in
- 93.8% Very or somewhat concerned with demolition by neglect



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