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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Galax Commercial Historic District (amendment to three resources)  
other names/site number VDHR# 113-5001-0049, 113-5001-0063, 113-5001-0066

2. Location

street & number 118 and 120 North Main Street, 107 West Center Street not for publication N/A  
city or town Galax vicinity N/A  
state Virginia code VA county Grayson Ind City code 640 zip code 24333

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this X nomination        request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property X meets        does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant        nationally        statewide X locally. (       See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

[Signature] 4/25/88.  
Signature of certifying official Date  
**Virginia Department of Historic Resources**  
State or Federal Agency or Tribal government

In my opinion, the property        meets        does not meet the National Register criteria. (       See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

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Signature of commenting official/Title Date

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State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register  
       See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register  
       See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register
- removed from the National Register
- other (explain): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Keeper \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Action \_\_\_\_\_

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)

Category of Property (Check only one box)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>  2  </u>	<u>  1  </u>	buildings (original count says 63 contributing 0 NC- should be 65 and 1)
<u>  0  </u>	<u>  0  </u>	sites
<u>  0  </u>	<u>  0  </u>	structures
<u>  0  </u>	<u>  0  </u>	objects
<u>  2  </u>	<u>  1  </u>	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register   0  

Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)   N/A  

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat:   Commerce/Trade   Sub:   financial institution    
  Commerce/Trade     store  

Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)

Cat:   vacant   Sub: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

7. Description

Architectural Classification (Enter categories from instructions)

  None identified    
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Materials (Enter categories from instructions)

foundation   other    
 roof   other    
 walls   brick    
 other \_\_\_\_\_

Narrative Description (Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria (Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- X A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
X C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations (Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
B removed from its original location.
C a birthplace or a grave.
D a cemetery.
E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
F a commemorative property.
G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture
Commerce/Trade

Period of Significance 1903-1949 (as original)

Significant Dates 1908

Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above) N/A

Cultural Affiliation N/A

Architect/Builder N/A

Narrative Statement of Significance (Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS)

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested.
X previously listed in the National Register
previously determined eligible by the National Register
designated a National Historic Landmark
recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #

**Primary Location of Additional Data**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository: Virginia Department of Historic Resources

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**10. Geographical Data**  
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**Acreage of Property** less than one acre

**UTM References** (Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

Zone Easting	Northing	Zone Easting	Northing	Zone Easting	Northing	Zone Easting	Northing
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\_\_\_ See continuation sheet.

**Verbal Boundary Description** (Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

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**11. Form Prepared By**  
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name/title Arthur Striker, Assistant Historian  
 organization Virginia Department of Historic Resources date February 2008  
 street & number 2801 Kensington Ave telephone 804-367-2323  
 city or town Richmond state VA zip code 23221

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**Additional Documentation**  
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Submit the following items with the completed form:

**Continuation Sheets**

**Maps** A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.  
 A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

**Photographs** Representative black and white photographs of the property.

**Additional items** (Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

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**Property Owner**  
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(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Ms. Phyllis Karavatakis, Carter Bank and Trust  
 street & number 1300 Kings Mountain Road telephone 276-656-1776  
 city or town Martinsville state VA zip code 24112

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**7. Summary Description:**

(These three resources, though clearly within the boundaries on the map, were not listed or described in the inventory.)

**118 North Main Street, Carter Bank and Trust, 1908**

**113-5001-0049**

**Contributing**

Two-story painted brick commercial building constructed in 1908 that adjoins 120 North Main Street. Exterior front of building faces east on North Main Street. The windows on the first floor are the result of remodeling by a prior owner. The second floor windows are original and now covered with shutters. The north and south sides of the building are blank with exposed soft brick on the south side. The north side is painted stucco with no windows or doors. The rear view is painted brick with doors on the first floor and windows on the second floor that are covered with shutters. Carter Bank and Trust occupies the first floor and three vacant apartments are on the second floor. There is one door at 118 North Main Street for the entrance to the apartments. The storefront was altered in the 1970s, but the building as a whole still retains enough integrity to be contributing to the district.

**120 North Main Street, Carter Bank and Trust, 1908**

**113-5001-0063**

**Contributing**

Two-story painted brick building constructed in 1908 that adjoins 118 North Main Street. The windows on the first floor are the result of remodeling by a prior owner. The second floor windows are original and now covered with shutters. The north and south sides of the building are blank with exposed soft brick on the south side. The north side is painted stucco with no windows or doors. Carter Bank and Trust occupies the first floor and three vacant apartments are on the second floor. There is one door at 120 North Main Street leading to the bank. The building as a whole still retains enough integrity to be contributing to the district.

**107 West Center Street, post 1928**

**113-5001-0066**

**Non-contributing**

107 West Center Street is a 1-story addition attached to the back of adjoining buildings, 118 and 120 North Main Street. Exterior is covered with siding and it currently has one door and one window with shutters. The exterior wall on the west side has collapsed and is not structurally sound. The roof has leaked for some time in numerous locations. It is in general disrepair with cracked walls and holes to the outside. All stairs throughout the interior are in disrepair and dangerous. The building has been condemned by the city of Galax and having little integrity left, is therefore being considered non-contributing.

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**8. Statement of Significance**

The Galax Commercial Historic District was originally listed on June 31, 2001 in the Virginia Landmarks Register and on May 30, 2002 in the National Register of Historic Places. The district is listed under Criterion A for its significance in the area of commerce, as well as under Criterion C for its significance in the area of Architecture. When the district was listed, the buildings at 118 and 120 North Main Street, and 107 West Center Street, were not included in the nomination inventory though they are clearly within the mapped boundaries. After being evaluated by the staff of the Virginia Department of Historic Resources, 118 and 120 North Main Street have been recommended contributing, and 107 West Center Street recommended non-contributing.

**Additional Statement of Significance**

The Downtown Commercial District of Galax is significant and unique in that it was designed for and built upon the American dream of free enterprise during the early decades of the twentieth century. It was developed by a group of self-made men who recognized the importance of translating the ideals of equality through private enterprise into the built environment. The Galax Commercial Historic District qualifies for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A, for its significance in the area of Commerce. This is due to its very specific nature as a planned commercial city. It is also eligible under Criterion C, for its significance in the area of Architecture, due to its development across a rigid, gridiron plan that would insure equal competition in private enterprise and that would allow businessmen to express themselves through the architecture of their buildings. The district's period of significance ranges from 1903, when the current street gridiron was developed, and 1949, which was the construction date of the most recent significant building in the downtown area.

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**10. Geographic Data:**

**Verbal Boundary Description:**

The buildings addressed as 118 and 120 North Main Street, and 107 West Center Street in Galax, Virginia as shown on the attached map (Attachment Two) which was used with the previous historic district nomination.

**Boundary Justification:**

The boundary is as it applies only to the newly documented buildings that were already included within the district. These buildings are listed as 118 and 120 North Main Street, and 107 West Center Street, in the city of Galax, Virginia.

**Photographic Data:**

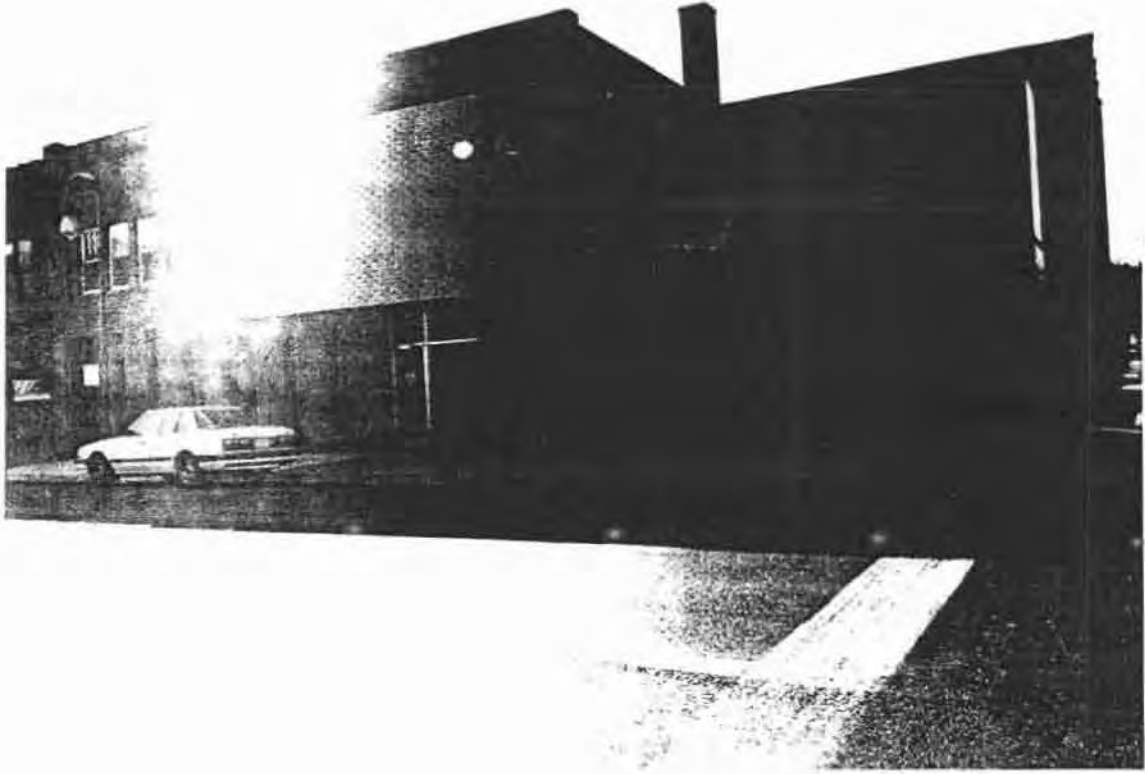
Originals not provided as this amendment is solely for the inclusion of three additional resources in the inventory and documentation of the original nomination in 2001.

Attachment One: Copy of photograph submitted with original nomination; shows 118-120 North Main Street at intersection with West Center Street.

Attachment Two: Copy of detailed district map originally submitted with 2001 nomination, showing location of 118-120 North Main Street, and 107 West Center Street buildings.

Attachment Three: Copy of section of Galax Quadrangle showing district map originally submitted with 2001 nomination, showing location of 118-120 North Main Street and 107 West Center Street Buildings within previously listed boundaries.

ATTACHMENT ONE





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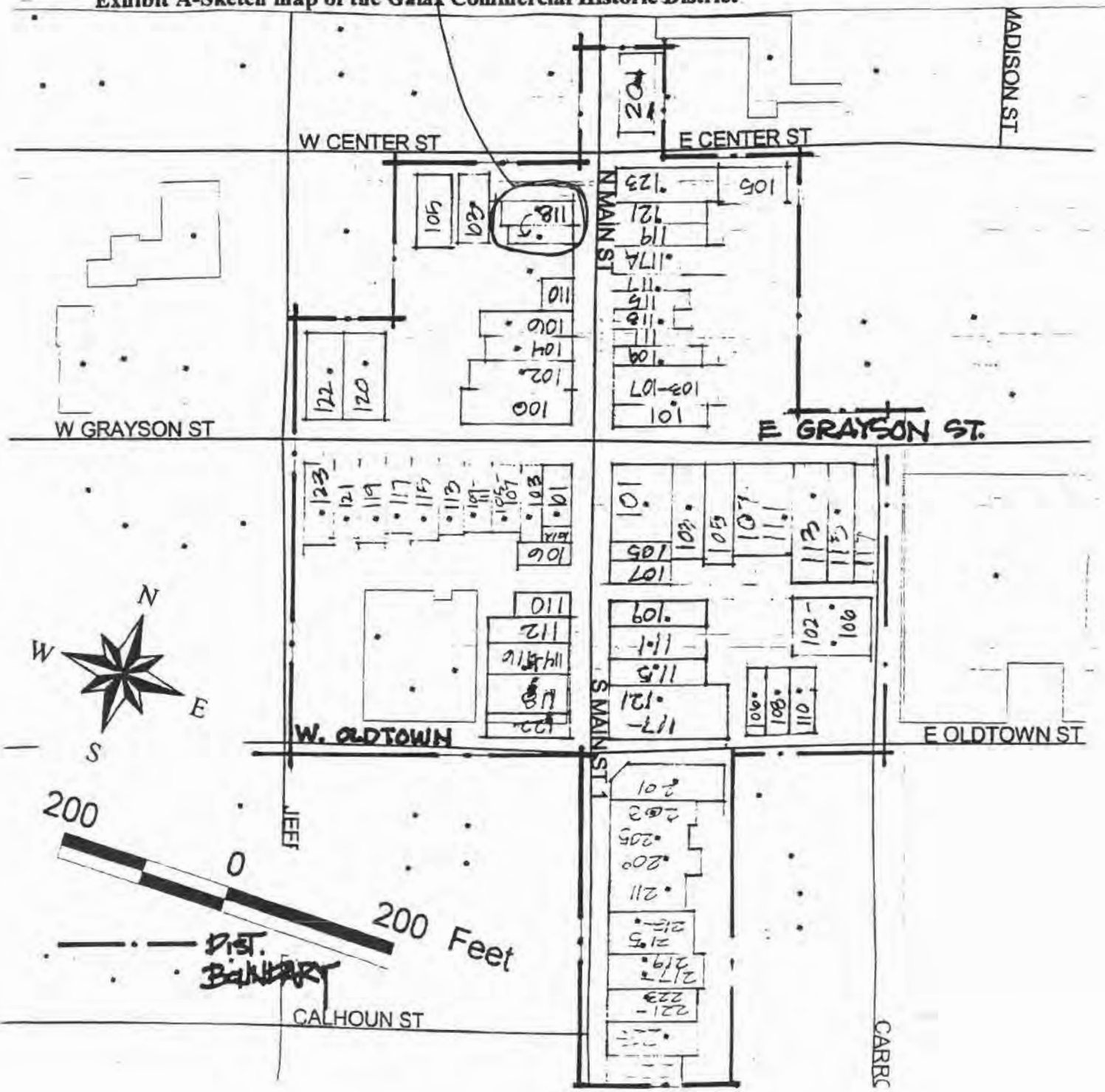
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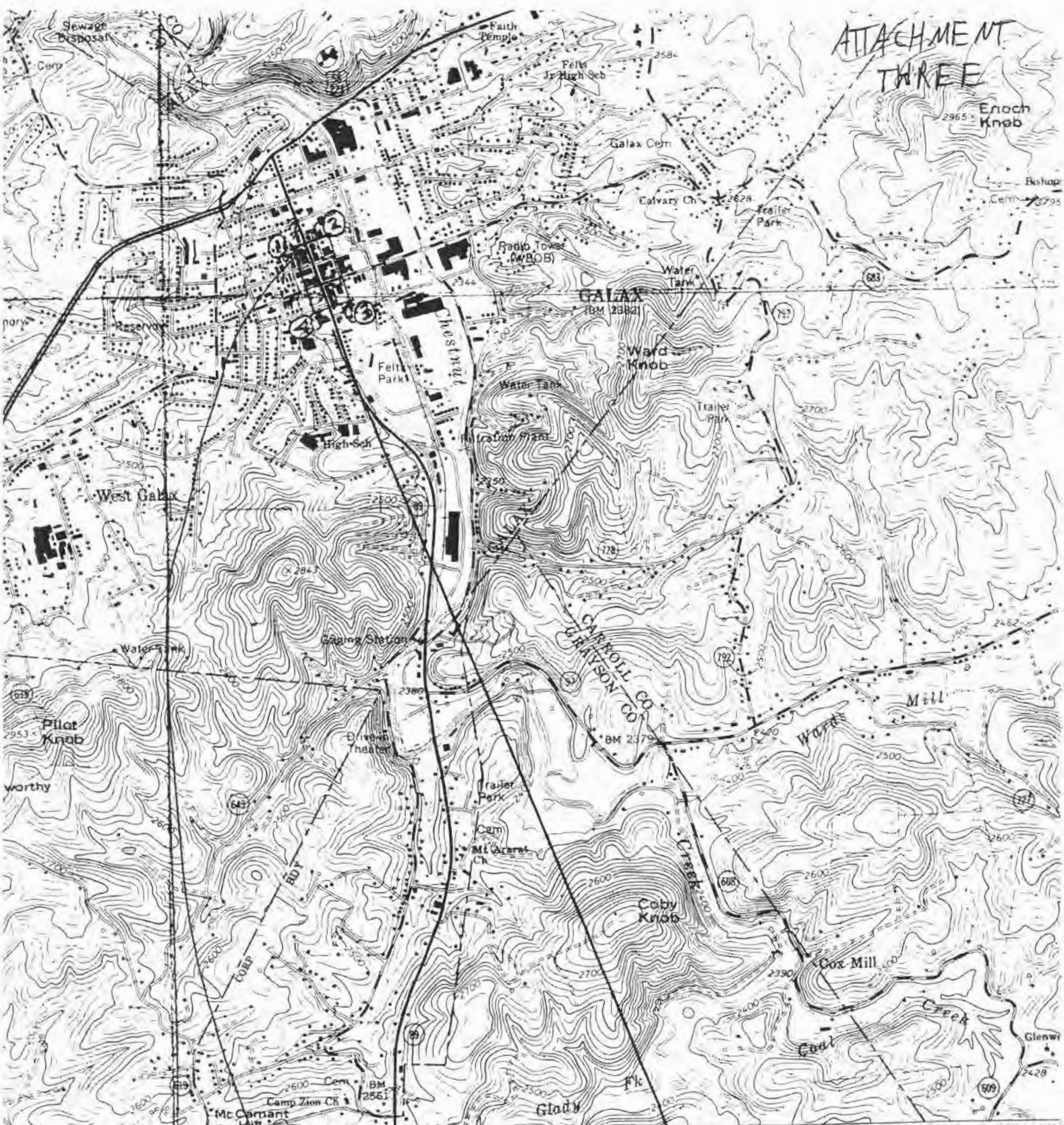
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118-120 N Main St.  
107 W Center St.

Exhibit A-Sketch map of the Galax Commercial Historic District



# ATTACHMENT THREE



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U. S. Route

TOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET  
GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929  
118-120 N Main St.,  
107 W Center St.

- GALAX COMMERCIAL HISTORIC DISTRICT**
- ① 17 506600 / 4057120
  - ② 17 506670 / 4057300
  - ③ 17 506800 / 4056990
  - ④ 17 506670 / 4056910

WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
 ECOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092  
 NERAL RESOURCES, CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA 22903  
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