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**City of Brookhaven Awarded 'Qualified Local Government' status from
Georgia Department of Community Affairs**

Brookhaven, GA, December 11, 2014 – In a letter to Mayor J. Max Davis, Gretchen Corbin, Department of Community Affairs Commissioner, congratulated the City of Brookhaven on receiving the Qualified Local Government status from the State of Georgia Department of Community Affairs. This status is given to local governments that adopt DCA-approved comprehensive plans consistent with DCA's Local Planning Requirements. In Nov., the City of Brookhaven adopted its first comprehensive plan, Comprehensive Plan 2034, a long-term vision for the economic, social and environmental sustainability of Brookhaven.

"Now begins the challenging work of implementing this plan. We believe that the plan should provide a framework for making sound decisions for the city's long-term growth and development," said Commissioner Corbin in the letter.

"Our comprehensive plan includes six key substantive elements: Land Use, Community Facilities and Resources, Economic Development, Population, Housing and Transportation. A framework for the future has evolved around these planning elements," said City Manager Marie L. Garrett.

Local governments designated as a Qualified Local Government are eligible for financial incentives from DCA, the state Department of Natural Resources, the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority and the oneGeorgia Authority.

To view the letter in its entirety visit www.brookhavenga.gov
To review the adopted Comprehensive Plan 2034 visit www.brookhavenga.gov

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