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Press Release

Tuesday, July 21, 2015, at approximately 9:07AM the City of Hapeville received a call about a structural collapse at 597 North Central Avenue, Hapeville, GA 30354. The City's contractor, Diversified Construction, was engaged in renovation activity at this location. This facility is a historic building circa 1910.

At the time of the collapse, workers were on the roof and escaped with two minor injuries that were treated and released on-scene. Hapeville Fire and Police Departments then secured the scene at approximately at 10:00AM.

City Management is now in the process of working with our structural engineer and architect team as well as other effected parties to implement a plan that will ensure the safety of the public and respond to the clean-up and business needs of the community.

Mayor, Alan Hallman, stated, "We are fortunate that no life threatening injuries or loss of life took place. The City will recover fully from this setback and we would appreciate the full cooperation of our citizens in avoiding this area during the clean-up process."

The City Manager, William Whitson, is serving as incident command on the scene and further stated that traffic on North Central Avenue will be closed until further notice in the area as follows:

Road traffic is closed from Perkins to Dogwood; and
Foot traffic from North Fulton to one block east of the incident.

3468 North Fulton Avenue, Hapeville, Georgia 30354
City Hall 404.669.2100 · www.hapeville.org

Community Service
3474 N. Fulton Avenue
404.669.2120

Economic Development
3468 N. Fulton Avenue
404.669.8269

Fire Department
606 King Arnold Street
404.669.2141

Police Department
700 Doug Davis Drive
404.768.7171

Recreation Department
3444 N. Fulton Avenue
404.669.2136

He stated further, our team is focused on safety first for the public and the businesses located in this area. The businesses at the following locations are closed until further notice:

603 N Central – Volare
601 N Central – Drip
599 N Central – Academy
597 N Central – Collapsed Building
591 N Central – Fracht USA
589-87 N Central – Beer Girl
585 N Central

In conclusion, City teams will be working around the clock to secure this area ensure the public safety and supervise the clean-up efforts. The clean-up operation will be done carefully and in a very methodical way to avoid further injury. Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact incident command on the scene or the City Manager. Mr. Whitson concluded, “it is our hope that the clean-up efforts can be completed by tomorrow afternoon pending weather and safety concerns.”

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