

The Thomaston Economic Development Commission will be hosting a meeting of retailers, businesses, landlords and residents on May 12, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the former Teen Center of the Thomaston Town Hall. The program is entitled "Driving Downtown". The featured guest will be Carl W. Rosa, Chief Executive Officer of Main Street Waterbury. Carl will be discussing some of his successes with the Mainstreet program. He will identify some of the inherent assets of Thomaston. He will also talk on how businesses, Landlords and town officials can work together to create a better working environment in Thomaston. There will also be time for questions and answers throughout the program.

This program is the first presentation of the Economic Development Commission addressing the needs of downtown Thomaston. It is the Commission's hope that it will begin constructive dialog with the stake holders of Thomaston and spur additional interest in future programs.

About the Carl Rosa

In March of 2004 Carl W. Rosa was selected as Main Street Waterbury's first Executive Director. In this role, Rosa's responsibilities include working with the various downtown property owners, merchants, real estate brokers, volunteer committees, city government, neighborhood and community groups and the Main St. Waterbury board of directors, to foster a positive and cohesive approach to achieving goals for downtown Waterbury revitalization.

In 2005 the 40,000 readers of The Waterbury Observer voted Carl "Waterbury Person of the Year" in recognition of his efforts.

In June of 2006, Rosa was awarded the Connecticut Main Street Center's Executive Director of the Year. This award recognizes the work of an outstanding professional in the field of downtown revitalization who has distinguished him or herself locally and regionally, representing exemplary efforts and demonstrated results.

In addition he was selected as the Waterbury Neighborhood Council's "Person of the Year" for 2006.

In 2008, Rosa earned his certification as a National Main Street Manager from the Professional Main Street Management Institute.

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