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## City of Waxahachie Receives Award From Historic Waxahachie, Inc.

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(January 22, 2010) The City of Waxahachie recently received an award from Historic Waxahachie, Inc. (HWI) for Outstanding Achievement in Historic Preservation for the city's efforts in purchasing the Texas Theater in downtown Waxahachie.

The board of HWI presents these awards on an annual basis. The group's Board of Directors nominates and votes on the recipients of the award. The awards are presented each year at the annual full membership meeting.

"These awards recognize significant restoration projects, or re-use of an existing piece of historic property. The purpose of the award is to encourage redevelopment and re-use of our historic properties here in Waxahachie," a spokesperson from HWI said. "HWI presents the award in appreciation of the ongoing work required to preserve and maintain structures that represent historic significance of our city's heritage," the spokesperson said.

The Texas Theater was purchased in May of 2009 with money from the city's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) fund. The TIRZ district was established in 2002 and was created to help fund revitalization projects within the geographical TIRZ area. These projects are funded from incremental ad valorem tax increases in the defined area.

The Texas Theater is privately managed and hosts plays, movies, drama, live music, private parties and more. For a listing of events, visit [www.texasmusictheater.com](http://www.texasmusictheater.com), or call 972-937-1993.

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