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Bo Diddley Plaza Café - Patticakes on The Plaza Update (B)

Upon completion of the Bo Diddley Plaza renovation project a shell café was constructed on the northeast corner of the Plaza. The café space will serve to activate that portion of the plaza and provide additional offerings for visitors and workers in the downtown area. A solicitation for a tenant to occupy the Plaza Café was performed and the top-ranked respondent was Jan Patterson, owner of Patticakes, Inc.

The “Patticakes on the Plaza” concept involves creating community around coffee and delicious treats and will include breakfast offerings, such as quiche, bagels, muffins and smoothies and sandwiches, ice cream, pastries, and coffee drinks. The concept essentially replicates the successful Patticakes business that Mrs. Patterson has operated in the Haile Village Center since 2011.

Buildout of the café took place throughout the summer and was substantially complete at the end of August. Staff is pleased to announce that Patticakes will be having their ribbon cutting and Grand Opening simultaneously on the morning of September 20, 2016. The Patterson’s are excited about the opportunity to expand their business in downtown Gainesville and look forward to offering their treats at the all new Bo Diddley Plaza.

None

CRA Executive Director to CRA Board: Hear Presentation.