

City of Thomasville Council Meeting, April 8, 2019

The Council of the City of Thomasville met in regular session with Mayor Pro Tempore Terry Scott presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Councilmembers David Hufstetler, Jay Flowers and Todd Mobley. Also present were the City Manager, J. Alan Carson; City Attorney, Tim Sanders; other staff, members of the press and citizens. The meeting was held in Council Chambers at 144 East Jackson Street in Thomasville, Georgia.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

INVOCATION

Given by Councilmember Flowers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Scott led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilmember Mobley moved to approve minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of March 25, 2019 as presented. Councilmember Flowers seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor Pro Tem Scott acknowledged the following citizens who signed in to address Council:

1. Cadence Kidwell, 207 Lester Street, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. She reported having bought a West Jackson Street building for The Fuzzy Goat five years ago and cited positive economic growth in the area during that time.
2. Lauren Radford, 200 Charnie Drive, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. She reported the West Jackson Street Streetscape Plan is one that is based entirely on public input as a result of numerous listening sessions on the project.
3. Scott Chastain, 330 East Jefferson Street, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. He noted, as a member of the Planning & Zoning Board, this project has set a new bar for the process on how to go about doing this type of project. He applauded the City, staff, Main Street, downtown merchants, community and the numerous boards/committees for their work in the process.
4. Michelle Arwood, 331 Remington Avenue, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. She reported this was one of the last major projects outlined in the Creative District Plan set in motion many years ago. She further reported an economic impact of approximately \$7.3 million having been invested in the area through public and private partnerships.
5. Roger Hawkes, 515 East Jefferson Street, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. As a new resident and West Jackson Street business owner, he expressed his excitement in seeing the project begin.

6. Eddie Waldrep, Service Cleaners, 220 West Jackson Street, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. He commended the City, and staff, for the exceptional communication throughout the progression of the project thus far.
7. Keith Thomas, 432 Woodsgate Lane, Thomasville, Georgia, addressed Council regarding his concerns in reference to the management and the hiring process for future employees within the City's Building Department
8. James Jack Hadley, 103 Crestwood Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. He briefly reviewed the history of The Bottom, the African American businesses located there and noted the historical significance of this project for future generations.
9. Alston Watt, 913 Blackshear Street, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. She noted the numerous private investments in the area beginning in the year 2000 with such places as the Boys & Girls Club; later with Studio 209, The Ritz Amphitheater and now with the renovations of the Imperial Hotel. Noting the area as an underutilized area with economic growth, she praised the City and the Thomasville community for efforts to revitalize the West Jackson Street corridor.
10. Anna Carroll Gregory, 1406 East Washington Street, Thomasville, Georgia, spoke in favor of The Bottom Streetscape Project. As the owner of Empire Bagel on West Jackson Street, she also noted her excitement of the project's beginning and the process in which the City undertook to ensure participation of the community.

ADOPT AGENDA

City Manager Carson reported the draft agenda presented at Council Workshop on April 3, 2019 had been revised. Carson noted due to Governor Kemp's decision in reference to Mayor Hobbs, a resolution to update signatures on the Municipal Electric Authorities of Georgia (MEAG) Competitive Trust had been added. He also reported the removal of an item due to incomplete bids received during the bidding process. Councilmember Flowers moved to adopt the printed agenda, with the reported exceptions as presented. Councilmember Mobley seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS

There were none presented.

OLD BUSINESS

Second reading of an ordinance to amend text in Section 2-28 of the Thomasville Municipal Code to reflect change of time for Council Meeting Schedule.

City Attorney, Tim Sanders, presented. The amendment allows for the published Council meeting time to be changed from 7:00 PM to reflect the new time of 6:00 PM on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. It was noted there were no changes to the ordinance following the first reading.

Councilmember Hufstetler moved to order the ordinance read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Flowers seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

The following ordinance was ordered read for the second time, passed and adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE II, SECTION 2-28 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA TO CHANGE THE TIME AT WHICH THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL ARE HELD; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO PROVIDE FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

SECTION ONE

BE IT ORDAINED that Section 2-28, Article II, Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Thomasville, captioned "Meeting schedule" is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 2-28 Meeting schedule.

All regular meetings of the City Council shall convene at the meeting place as provided in section 2-26 at ~~7:00~~ 6:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month or as close to the regularly scheduled meeting as practicable."

SECTION TWO

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION THREE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the provisions of this ordinance shall be made a part of the official codified ordinances of the City of Thomasville.

SECTION FOUR

This ordinance was introduced and read at a lawful meeting of the Council of the City of Thomasville held on March 25, 2019, and read for the second time, passed and adopted in like meeting held on April 8, 2019.

SO ORDAINED, this 8th day of April, 2019.

Second reading of an ordinance to change the name of 100 Caterpillar Way to 101 Check-Mate Way. City Planner, Kenneth Thompson, presented. The applicant, Check-Mate Industries, Inc., is relocating into the former Caterpillar building that is located off of the 319 Bypass, Thomasville, Georgia. As the new owner of the building, Check-Mate is requesting to rename the street and address to 101 Checkmate Way. Changes in street names are presented to Thomasville Planning & Zoning Commission for recommendation to City Council for approval. All street name changes occur through ordinance by City Council. It was noted there were no changes to the ordinance following the first reading.

Councilmember Mobley moved to order the ordinance read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Flowers seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

The following ordinance was ordered read for the second time, passed and adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE STREET NAME OF 100 CATERPILLAR WAY TO 101 CHECK-MATE WAY; TO PROVIDE THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION I

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Thomasville and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that 100 Caterpillar Way be changed to 101 Check-Mate Way.

SECTION II

BE IT ORDAINED that all ordinances of the City of Thomasville in conflict herewith be the same are hereby repealed for purposes of this ordinance only.

SECTION III

BE IT FUTHER ORDAINED that the provisions of this ordinance shall not be made a part of the official codified ordinances of the City of Thomasville, but shall nevertheless be spread upon the public minutes and records of the City.

SECTION IV

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final adoption.

SECTION V

This ordinance was introduced and read for the first time in a lawful meeting of the City Council held on March 25, 2019 and passed and adopted on the second reading of the ordinance at a lawful meeting of the City Council held on April 8, 2019.

Second reading of an ordinance to rezone 325 West Jackson Street from M, Manufacturing, to C-2, Commercial.

City Planner Kenneth Thompson, presented. The City is requesting for the portion of 325 West Jackson Street that is zoned M-Manufacturing be rezoned to C-2, Commercial to allow for the neighboring property, 313 W. Remington Avenue to also rezone to C-2. Currently, a majority of the parcel is zoned C-2 and occupied by Trinity Anglican Church; the portion that is zoned M-Manufacturing contains a grass strip and a sidewalk. The rezoning of this area will achieve the requirement of contiguous zoning and allow the neighbor at 313 West Remington to present a rezoning request as well. It was noted there were no changes to the ordinance following the first reading.

Councilmember Hufstetler moved to order the ordinance read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Flowers seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

The following ordinance was ordered read for the second time, passed and adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA, OF 1971, AS AMENDED WHICH IS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF THE CITY OF THOMASVILLE AS CHAPTER 22, CAPTIONED "ZONING", BY EXCLUDING A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND FROM **PARCEL 3** OF SECTION 22-81 CAPTIONED "**M, MANUFACTURING**", TO DESCRIBE SAID EXCLUDED TRACT AND TO DESIGNATE THE SAID SAME TRACT AS **PARCEL 59** OF SECTION 22-81 CAPTIONED "**C-2, COMMERCIAL**". TO ESTABLISH THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION I

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Thomasville and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that the Code of the City of Thomasville is amended by excluding a certain **Parcel 3** from Section 22-81 captioned "**M, Manufacturing**" and to designate the said same tract as **Parcel 59** of Section 22-81 captioned "**C-2, Commercial**" and more particularly described as follows:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, LYING AND BEING SITUATE IN THE City of Thomasville, Thomas County, Georgia and being more particularly described by a plat of survey for the City of Thomasville made by Frank E. Carlton, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor No. 1544, dated May 5, 1989, a copy of which is recorded in Plat Cabinet One (1), Folio 135-A, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Thomas County, Georgia, to which reference is made for a more particular description as follows:

To reach a beginning point commence at the point formed by the intersection of the northwest margin of Remington Avenue with the southwest margin of South Stevens Street and run thence north 40 degrees 45 minutes west on said margin of South Stevens Street 84.00 feet to a point of beginning; from said point of beginning continue thence north 40 degrees 45 minutes west on said margin of South Stevens Street 67.39 feet to a point; run thence south 48 degrees 25 minutes west 128 feet to a point; 47n thence north 44 degrees 15 minutes west 48.82 feet to a point; run thence north 71 degrees 09 minutes west 65.77 feet to a point; run thence south 19 degrees 03 minutes west 103.07 feet to a point; run thence north 7 degrees 57 minutes west 50.00 feet to a point; run thence south 19 degrees 46 minutes west 10.43 feet to a point; run thence south 07 degrees 08 minutes west 124.99 feet to a point on the north margin of Remington Ave; run thence north 82 degrees 21 minutes east on said margin of Remington Avenue 127.86 feet to a point; run thence north 39 degrees 00 minutes east 55.95 feet to a point of curve; run thence northeasterly along the curve 96.85 feet to a point located north 43 degrees 50 minutes east a cord distance of 96.73 feet from said point of curve; run thence north 48 degrees 41 minutes east 120.20 feet to a point; run thence north 47 degrees 38 minutes east 44.84 feet to the point of beginning on the southwest margin of South Stevens Street.

SECTION II

BE IT ORDAINED that all ordinances of the City of Thomasville in conflict herewith be the same are hereby repealed for purposes of this ordinance only.

SECTION III

BE IT FUTHER ORDAINED that the provisions of this ordinance shall not be made a part of the official codified ordinances of the City of Thomasville, but shall nevertheless be spread upon the public minutes and records of the City.

SECTION IV

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any part of this ordinance is declared void it is the intent and the purpose hereof that all other provisions not declared void shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION V

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final adoption.

SECTION VI

This ordinance was introduced and read for the first time in a lawful meeting of the City Council held on March 25, 2019 and passed and adopted on the second reading of the ordinance at a lawful meeting of the City Council held on April 8, 2019.

Second reading of an ordinance to rezone 313 West Remington Avenue from M, Manufacturing, to C-2, Commercial.

City Planner Kenneth Thompson, presented. The applicant is requesting 313 West Remington Avenue to be rezoned from M-Manufacturing to C-2, Commercial. Currently, the parcel consists of a historic warehouse building that has been abandoned for a number of years. Thompson noted this is in keeping with the zoning map and comprehensive plan. Councilmember Flowers disclosed a business relationship with individual(s) interested in purchasing this property and stated due to the potential conflict of interest, he would abstain from this vote. It was noted there were no changes to the ordinance following the first reading.

Councilmember Mobley moved to order the ordinance read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Hufstetler seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 3-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler and Mobley.

ABSTAINED: Councilmember Flowers.

The following ordinance was ordered read for the second time, passed and adopted:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COMPREHENSIVE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA, OF 1971, AS AMENDED WHICH IS SET FORTH IN THE CODE OF THE CITY OF THOMASVILLE AS CHAPTER 22, CAPTIONED "ZONING", BY EXCLUDING A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND FROM **PARCEL 3** OF SECTION 22-81 CAPTIONED "**M, MANUFACTURING**", TO DESCRIBE SAID EXCLUDED TRACT AND TO DESIGNATE THE SAID SAME TRACT AS **PARCEL 60** OF SECTION 22-81 CAPTIONED "**C-2, COMMERCIAL**". TO ESTABLISH THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION I

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Thomasville and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same, that the Code of the City of Thomasville is amended by excluding a certain **Parcel 3** from Section 22-81 captioned **“M, Manufacturing”** and to designate the said same tract as **Parcel 60** of Section 22-81 captioned **“C-2, Commercial”** and more particularly described as follows:

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL, LYING AND BEING SITUATE IN THE City of Thomasville, Thomas County, Georgia and being more particularly described as follows: COMMENCE at a point on the northern margin of Lee Street (presently Remington Ave.) a distance of 86 feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the northern margin of Lee Street with the southeast margin of Jackson and run thence in an easterly direction along said northern margin of Lee Street a distance of 266 feet, more or less, and to the southeast corner of land heretofore deeded to Edge by deed dated July 17, 1954 and of record in Deed Book 8-A, Page 75 of the Deed Records of Thomas County, Georgia; run thence north 39 degrees west 69 feet to a point and the southwest corner of property heretofore conveyed to Edge as above referenced; run thence north 46 degrees east 168 feet to a point of the southwest margin of Stevens Street and the northwest corner of land heretofore deeded to Edge as above referenced; run thence north 41 degrees west 69.5 feet to an iron pin; run thence south 48 degrees 05 minutes west a distance of 124.8 feet to an iron pin; run thence north 45 degrees 29 minutes west a distance of 47.5 feet to an iron pin; run thence south 18 degrees 58 minutes west a distance of 51.84 feet to an iron pin; run thence north 69 degrees 56 minutes west a distance of 65.36 feet to an iron pin; run thence south 19 degrees 03 minutes west a distance of 102.87 feet to an iron pin; run thence north 71 degrees 19 minutes west a distance of 49.3 feet to an iron pin; run thence south 21 degrees 12 minutes west a distance of 10.5 feet to an iron pin; run thence south 7 degrees 06 minutes west a distance of 125.20 feet to an iron pin of the north margin of Lee Street and the point of beginning.

LESS AND EXCEPT a portion of the above described property previously conveyed by R. Wayne Murphy to the City of Thomasville by deed dated January 22, 1990 and recorded in Deed Book 269, Page 192 in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Thomas County, Georgia.

The above described property is improved property having located thereon one warehouse building.

Also conveyed hereby is the non-exclusive easement for ingress and egress reserved by R. Wayne Murphy in that certain deed above reference which is recorded in Deed Book 269, Page 192 in the office aforesaid.

The above described property is conveyed subject to storm sewer, gas line and drainage easements in favor of the City of Thomasville, Georgia.

SECTION II

BE IT ORDAINED that all ordinances of the City of Thomasville in conflict herewith be the same are hereby repealed for purposes of this ordinance only.

SECTION III

BE IT FUTHER ORDAINED that the provisions of this ordinance shall not be made a part of the official codified ordinances of the City of Thomasville, but shall nevertheless be spread upon the public minutes and records of the City.

SECTION IV

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any part of this ordinance is declared void it is the intent and the purpose hereof that all other provisions not declared void shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION V

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its final adoption.

SECTION VI

This ordinance was introduced and read for the first time in a lawful meeting of the City Council held on March 25, 2019 and passed and adopted on the second reading of the ordinance at a lawful meeting of the City Council held on April 8, 2019.

NEW BUSINESS

First reading of an ordinance to amend Thomasville Municipal Code, Chapter 3 Alcoholic Beverages.

Asst. City Manager/Economic Development & Communications, Lynn Williams, presented. The City has received numerous inquiries over the last few years related to alcoholic beverage catering. The City Attorney has researched State law and found that State law provides for the issuance of an alcohol catering license by local government. Based on the provisions of State law, the City Attorney prepared an ordinance for Council's consideration. The following is a summary of the provisions of the law as proposed:

- To be eligible for an alcohol catering license, the applicant must be licensed by the State of Georgia for on-premises consumption and must also hold a valid license from the City of Thomasville to sell malt beverages, wine for on-premises consumption or liquor pouring.
- Licenses would be approved by the City Council and licensees would pay an *additional* fee of the following:
 - Wine Catering: \$ 100
 - Malt Beverages Catering: \$ 100
 - Liquor Pouring Catering: \$ 500
- Licensees are required to apply for an Event Permit at least ten (10) days prior to each event and pay a \$25 processing fee for each permit. The permits are reviewed by City staff and final approval of each Event Permit will be by the City Manager. Licensees will also be required to get a State permit for each event.
- Event permits will not be issued at any location that has had an alcohol license revoked in the last twelve months.
- Alcohol caterer licensees must comply with all provisions in Chapter 3, i.e., permitting of staff, provisions related to sales to underage, and provisions related to times/days when sales allowed, etc.

Councilmember Flowers moved to order the ordinance read for the first time, passed and carried over as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Hufstetler seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

The following ordinance was ordered read for the first time, passed and carried over:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA, BY ADDING TO CHAPTER 3, CAPTIONED "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES," A NEW ARTICLE V TO BE CAPTIONED "SALE OFF-PREMISES FOR CATERED FUNCTIONS"; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE ORDINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Consider a resolution to update signatures on the MEAG Competitive Trust.

Chief Financial Officer, Ashley Cason, presented. The signatures on the Municipal Electric Authorities of Georgia (MEAG) Competitive Trust are Mayor Hobbs and Chief Financial Officer Ashley Cason per the resolution adopted on March 11, 2019. It was requested of Council to consider a resolution to update the signatures to authorize City Manager Carson and Chief Financial Officer Cason to communicate City of Thomasville decisions with respect to the Trust by jointly executing written directions to MEAG Power.

Councilmember Hufstetler moved to approve the resolution as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Mobley seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

The following resolution was approved:

**Resolution of
THOMASVILLE, GA**

WHEREAS, the City is a Beneficiary of the Municipal Competitive Trust (the "Trust") that MEAG Power established as of January 1, 1999; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of the Trust, the City is allowed to transfer certain funds between accounts and withdraw certain funds from accounts by written direction to MEAG Power and the Trustee; and

WHEREAS, by official action of the City, a City official was delegated authority to make deposits to the Trust and to communicate City decisions with respect to the Trust to MEAG Power and the Trustee; and

WHEREAS, in order to improve the notification process, MEAG Power has requested that all written directions communicating City decisions with respect to the Trust be executed by two independent City officials; and

WHEREAS, the City, after due consideration, has determined that such procedural changes are in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that henceforth J. Alan Carson, City Manager and Ashley Cason, Chief Financial Officer (together, the “Authorized Officials”) are authorized to communicate City decisions with respect to the Trust by jointly executing written directions to MEAG Power and the Trustee; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City hereby authorizes the Authorized Officials to execute, and the City Clerk to attest and deliver, certificates specifying the names, titles, term of office and specimen signatures of the Authorized Officials and other certificates and documents that MEAG Power may require from time to time to effect the purposes of the Trust and this Resolution.

This the 8th day of April, 2019.

Resolution to confirm the authority of, and ratify the execution of, the remaining and related documents in relation to the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application by the Mayor Pro Tempore of the City of Thomasville.

City Attorney, Tim Sanders, presented. Due to reason beyond his control, Mayor Hobbs was not available to sign two remaining documents pertaining to the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application by the deadline submission date of April 1, 2019. City Attorney Sanders reported the Charter of the City of Thomasville provides that in the absence of the Mayor for any cause, the Mayor Pro Tempore of the City Council shall be clothed with all the rights and privileges of the Mayor and shall perform the duties of the office of the Mayor.

Councilmember Flowers moved to approve the resolution as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Mobley seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

The following resolution was approved:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, at a lawfully held meeting of the City of Thomasville Council Members on March 25, 2019 the Mayor and Councilmembers authorized Mayor Greg Hobbs, or his/her successor, as the certifying official of the City of Thomasville to sign all necessary and related documents pertaining to the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application and such supporting collateral material as shall be necessary; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2019 there remained two Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Applicant Forms received by the Planning Staff of the City of Thomasville for which to complete the CDBG Application packet; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor was absent and not available to sign the remaining documents in adequate time so as to ensure the delivery of original 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application Documents to the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission’s (SWG RC) offices to ensure compilation and postmark deadline date of April 1, 2019;

WHEREAS, Section 2.34 of the Charter of the City of Thomasville provides that in the absence of the Mayor for any cause, the Mayor Pro Tempore of the City Council shall be clothed with all the rights and privileges of the Mayor and shall perform the duties of the office of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor Pro Tempore of the City of Thomasville, Georgia was available and as the Mayor's successor agreed to sign the remaining documents so as to ensure the completion of and delivery of the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) to the Southwest Regional Commission offices prior to the April 1, 2019 postmark deadline.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council Members of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, do hereby confirm the authority of and ratify the execution of the remaining necessary and related documents in relation to the 2019 CDBG Application Packet by the Mayor Pro Tempore of the City of Thomasville as the certifying official,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council Members of the City of Thomasville, Georgia do hereby ratify the Mayor Pro Tempore's signature on the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) Form 1 and Form 13 for the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application.

SO DONE, this the 8th day of April, 2019.

Bids and award for purchase of construction for The Bottom, West Jackson Streetscape Project.

City Engineer, Wayne Newsome, presented. In the fall of 2017, a public engagement process was conducted by City of Thomasville Planning staff, whereby a concept plan was developed for streetscape improvements on W. Jackson from Madison Street to Remington Avenue. In December of 2017, the City Council directed staff to move forward with construction plans based on the concept coming out of the public involvement process. In order to complete the project within the recommended time frame for construction, the project was broken into two parts with significant utility relocation work completed in 2018. Construction plans were completed in February 2019. Additional public workshops were conducted in March and April of 2019 to include a presentation to the P&Z Commission on March 4, 2019. On March 5th, 2019, the Main Street Advisory Board passed a resolution that "extends its support of the West Jackson Streetscape Project."

Bids were opened April 05, 2019 for the project, which includes furnishing all labor, material, and equipment and performing all work required to construct a streetscape on West Jackson Street between Madison Street and Remington Avenue. The primary work includes new sidewalks; a raised pedestrian intersection at W. Jackson and Stevens Streets; new landscaping and irrigation; replacing the current electric/light poles with new pedestrian lights; adjustment of curb height in the 200 block (between Madison Street and Stevens Street); and construction of a Commemorative Wall at the corner of W. Jackson and Stevens Streets – the corner of the public parking. Work is to be completed within 210 consecutive calendar days of Notice to Proceed with work expected to begin on May 1, 2019. The following is a summary of bids received:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
CCH Construction – Thomasville, GA	\$ 1,764,060.99
Flint River Construction Services, Inc. – Albany, GA	\$ 1,790,744.65

Staff requested Council award a contract for construction of The Bottom Streetscape Project to CCH Construction of Thomasville, Georgia in the amount of \$1,764,060.99 using 2012 SPLOST funds.

Councilmember Hufstetler moved to award the contract for construction of The Bottom Streetscape Project to CCH Construction as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Flowers seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

Bids and award for purchase of Municipal Airport Runway rejuvenation and rehabilitation project.

City Engineer, Wayne Newsome, presented. The City of Thomasville, with FAA and GDOT participation recently completed a 500 foot extension of Runway 4-22. During the final inspection of that project, it was noted that there was considerable cracking and signs of distress in the asphalt pavement for runways 4-22 and 14-32. A pavement evaluation was conducted last year, recommending pavement rehabilitation for both runways. GDOT reviewed the runway and recommended the use of a proprietary pavement rejuvenation product, along with sealing of existing cracks, and pavement re-marking, in order to extend the life of the existing runway pavements, until such time as funding becomes available for major rehabilitation or reconstruction of runway 4-22. It is estimated that application of this product will extend the life of the pavement structure for another 5 to 7 years. Bids were received on March 29, 2019 for both runways, broken into two bid schedules: 1) Schedule A – Runway 4-22 Rejuvenate, Crack Seal, and Re-marking; and, 2) Schedule B – Runway 14-32 Rejuvenate, Crack Seal, and Re-marking. The following is a summary of bids received:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Remac, Inc. - Freeman, Virginia	\$ 599,695.00
JJ Cunningham Inc. - Showertown, Pennsylvania	\$ 674,695.00
Axtells, Inc. - Jermyn, Pennsylvania	\$ 742,939.00
Hi-Lite Airfield Services, LLC - Adams Center, New York	\$ 754,521.90

The bids above represent the total bid for both runways. For the low bid, Runway 4-22 was \$375,510.00, and Runway 14-32 was \$224,185.00, for a total bid of \$599,695.00. Runway 4-22, being the primary runway is eligible for FAA funding at 90 percent, with GDOT participation 5 percent, and 5 percent 2019 Airport Capital funds. Runway 14-32, being a secondary runway is not eligible for FAA funding. The cost breakdown for that portion of the project will be 75 percent GDOT and 25 percent Airport Capital funds. Staff recommends award of the construction contract for Runway 4-22 Rejuvenate, Crack Seal, Pavement Re-marking and Runway 14-32 Rejuvenate, Crack Seal, and Pavement Re-marking to Remac, Inc. out of Freeman, Virginia, as being the lowest bid received and meeting the necessary qualifications.

Councilmember Mobley moved to award the purchase Municipal Airport Runway rejuvenation and rehabilitation project to Remac, Inc., as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Flowers seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

Bids and award for purchase and install HVAC system for Municipal Auditorium Sound Booth.

Asst. City Manager/Economic Development & Communications, Lynn Williams, presented. The HVAC system in the Municipal Auditorium’s sound booth is failing and requires replacement. This HVAC system provides AC and heating for the sound booth and the mezzanine lobby in the auditorium. Staff has received three quotes for the replacement of this unit as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Air Conditioning Technology & Services, Inc.	\$24,900
Carter Wilkes Heating & Air Conditioning Co., Inc.	\$28,500
Lang Mechanical, Inc.	\$24,540

Staff recommends the purchase of the 15 ton HVAC unit for the Municipal Auditorium sound booth be awarded to Lang Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$24,540.00. It was noted the purchase is within the Auditorium's capital budget.

Councilmember Hufstetler moved to award the award the bid to Lang Mechanical, in the amount of \$24,540.00 as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Flowers seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley

Bid and award for purchase of second half of Leachate Tank Top Project at Landfill.

Asst. Landfill Superintendent, Lee Thomas, presented. The Leachate Tanks were inspected during normal M/R according to the D&O plan for the Landfill. The inspection revealed the tops on each tank were outdated and needed replacing. The west tank top was replaced in 2018. Staff is requesting to move forward with the second half of the leachate tank top project. The second part will consist of replacing the top on the east tank and will complete the project in its entirety. This project was started in 2018 with the replacement of the west tank top. The overall total cost of replacing both tops was divided between the 2018 and 2019 budget to reduce the capital amount for a single year. Staff is requesting the service be awarded to Florida Aqua Store. This is the same vendor that installed the tank originally in 1998 as well as performed the top replacement of the west tank in 2018. This is a planned repair and funds are in the 2019 budget. The amount is \$79,860 with third party financing if needed.

Councilmember Mobley moved to award the award the bid to replace the east Leachate Tank Top to Florida Aqua Store, in the amount of \$79,860.00 as presented, with no exceptions. Councilmember Flowers seconded. Councilmember Hufstetler noted that this would complete the second half of the Tank Replacement Project that began in 2018 and was not considered a single source type of bid. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Scott noted the Consent Agenda items were presented in Council Workshop on April 3, 2019 and were considered as routine and/or non-controversial items. Councilmember Flowers moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented, with no exceptions and thereby approving each item as presented collectively with one motion. Councilmember Hufstetler seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded:

AYES: Mayor Pro Tem Scott and Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley

Mayor Pro Tem acknowledged the following items as approved as presented and recommended by staff, under the Consent Agenda:

A. Bids and award for purchase of replacement 96-Gallon Rolling Carts.

The Solid Waste department provides and maintains rolling 96 gallon carts for all paying residences within the city limits of Thomasville, Georgia and also for outside cities such as: Meigs, Boston, Coolidge, Pavo, and Barwick. Due to the redundant weekly service, the rolling carts require replacing and or repairs. It was noted there is \$75,000.00 in the 2019 Container Capital Budget to purchase rolling carts to keep up the pace with the growing business of Solid Waste and the older container failure rate. The following is a summary of bids received:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u># CONTAINERS</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Toter National IPA	624 (\$43.00 ea)	\$ 28,125.60
Otto	624 (\$44.00 ea)	\$ 29,656.00
Cascade	580 (\$44.00 ea)	\$ 27,280.00
Schafer	549 (\$48.50 ea)	\$ 27,847.50

Staff recommended the Council award the bid to Toter National for the purchase of 624 stamped rolling carts at their bid price, but not to exceed a total expenditure of \$28,125.60, with third party financing if needed.

B. Bids and award for purchase of six roll-off containers for Solid Waste Department.

The City of Thomasville Solid Waste department currently services nearly 160 roll off containers on a weekly basis. This service was implemented about 20 years ago. With the roll-off containers in service for this length of time, a majority of the containers are starting to or have met their life span. The container’s metal floors and side walls have started to deteriorate, which can possibly cause unwanted material(s) to escape from the container. To provide exceptional services to our customers, Solid Waste recommends the purchase six (6) roll off containers to replace worn out containers where needed. It was noted Solid Waste currently has \$75,000 in the container capital budget, and a portion of those funds would be utilized to purchase containers for inventory. The following is a summary of bids received:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Lewis Steel	\$ 27,000.00
BWE	\$ 28,364.00

Staff recommended the Council award the bid to Lewis Steel of Wrens, Georgia, for the purchase of six (6) total roll-off containers (four (4) thirty-yard containers and two (2) forty-yard containers) delivered to the Solid Waste facility, in the amount of \$27,000.00, utilizing the funds from the capital budget with third party financing if needed.

C. Consider motion to approve Laurel Hill Cemetery Lot Transfer of Titles.

The Cemetery Administrator received, and verified, appropriate documentation pursuant to Thomasville Municipal Code Section 6-6 to complete Transfer of Titles for the following cemetery lots/spaces:

1. Remaining two grave spaces of Lot 23, Section H on Florida Street in Laurel Hill Cemetery from Patricia McMillan to Ben and Robin Watson with a signed Affidavit Dated February 14, 2019.
2. Ownership of Lots 18 and 22, Section C, on Alabama Street in Laurel Hill Cemetery from John Carr to Deren Hooks.

It was noted that no lot shall be resold, or title transferred, without consent of the City Council.

REPORTS

City Manager Carson thanked Mayor Pro Tem Scott for presiding over the meeting. He also thanked the citizens for their support of The Bottom Streetscape Project. City Manager Carson reported he and staff had met with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) in Atlanta and was happy to report that the City of Thomasville has secured the \$3 million in GDOT funding for South Pinetree Boulevard Road

Improvements plan submitted. He noted that both of these large projects [The Bottom Streetscape and South Pinetree Boulevard] were the result of City staff and the community working together diligently for the betterment of the community.

Councilmember Hufstetler addressed Mr. Keith Thomas' comments during the Citizens to be Heard section of the meeting. He noted Councilmembers are aware of Mr. Thomas' concerns.

Councilmember Mobley applauded Main Street staff for their efforts in organizing events such as the recent Sip & Stroll event in downtown Thomasville.

Councilmember Flowers commended the community and city staff for their diligence in the process of the South Pinetree Boulevard Road Improvement Project. He noted the community's input during Council meetings was an integral part of that process. In reference to filling the temporarily vacant seat on the City Council for District 1, Post 1, Councilmember Flowers reported there will be an application process in which individuals interested in serving, and who meet the criteria of the District 1, Post 1, will be able to submit applications in the coming weeks.

Mayor Pro Tem Scott addressed concerns regarding recent events and actions of Councilmembers. He noted Councilmembers, City staff and Thomasville's community were moving in a forward and positive direction. Mayor Pro Tem Scott also noted he was looking forward to rebuilding trust throughout the community. Mayor Pro Tem Scott praised City staff and citizens for their efforts with the progression of The Bottom Streetscape Project, South Pinetree Boulevard Road Improvement Project and the numerous other projects currently underway in Thomasville.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further discussion, the Thomasville City Council Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM.

OFFICIAL RECORD OF APPROVAL:

The foregoing Thomasville City Council Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2019 were approved by Thomasville City Council at a duly convened Thomasville City Council Meeting on April 22, 2019 with the following action taken:

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mayor Pro Tempore Terry Scott, and Councilmembers David Hufstetler, Jay Flowers and Todd Mobley.
RESULT:	APPROVED AS PRESENTED, with no exceptions (4-0 Vote).
MOVER:	Councilmember Todd Mobley.
SECONDER:	Councilmember Jay Flowers.
AYES:	Mayor Pro Tempore Scott, Councilmembers Hufstetler, Flowers and Mobley.

Mayor Pro Tempore Terry Scott did affix his signature, attested by the City Clerk, to the original and official record of the Thomasville City Council Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2019. The original and official record of these minutes are retained permanently in the office of the City Clerk.

