

City of Thomasville Council Meeting, January 9, 2023

The Council of the City of Thomasville met in regular session on the above date. Mayor Jay Flowers presided and the following Councilmembers were present: Mayor Pro Tem Todd Mobley and Councilmembers Wanda Warren, Terry Scott, and Scott Chastain. Also present were the City Manager, J. Alan Carson; Assistant City Managers, Sheryl Sealy and Chris White; City Attorney, Tim Sanders; other city staff; citizens and members of the media. The meeting was held in Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 144 East Jackson Street, Thomasville, Georgia. Simultaneous access to the meeting was provided to those members of the press and citizens not present via the City of Thomasville's online live stream feed located at www.thomasville.org.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Flowers called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

INVOCATION

Councilmember Scott gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Mobley led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Pro Tem Mobley motioned to approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of December 12, 2022, as presented. Councilmember Warren seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

PROCLAMATIONS / RECOGNITIONS

1. Mayor Flowers acknowledged Mr. Len Robinson, owner of WPAX Radio Station; the third oldest station in Georgia. Mayor Flowers presented to Mr. Robinson a proclamation honoring WPAX Radio Station for its service to the community for over 100 years. WPAX was founded by Hoyt Wimpy on December 27, 1922. Mr. Robinson, affectionately known in the community as "LenRob", began working at the station when he was just 15 years old and is the fourth owner. Mr. Robinson thanked Councilmembers for their recognition and the community for its support for over a century.
2. Thomasville Police Department Chief John Letteney recognized the date as National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day and commended all law enforcement personnel for serving and protecting their communities. Chief Letteney presented recognition awards to officers administering lifesaving aid and assisting with crime scene investigations, preventing death and acting as guardian angels to victims in their time of need. Life Saving and Grand Cordon Awards were presented to Lieutenant Jason Baldwin, Corporal Casey Kin, Officer Brandon Burden, Officer Benjamin Harrison, Officer Melvin Ray, and Officer Leonard Angel. Officer Ray also received an award for Meritorious Service. Chief Letteney also recognized Sergeant Adam Lawson and the nominations committee for their efforts in the process of recognizing personnel of the Thomasville Police Department and their dedication and service to their community.
3. Mayor Flowers recognized Elisabeth Ouzts, permit technician for the City of Thomasville, for her accomplishments in competing in the 2022 Spartan World Trifecta Championship held in Sparta, Greece. Ouzts competed in the three day championship, coming in tenth, and third out of the USA competitors. Ouzts thanked "The Coffee Table Team", for being her biggest cheerleader and helping her to fund the trip and participation in championship.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

1. Lucinda Brown, resident of Halcyon Way, Thomasville, Georgia voiced concerns about the City of Thomasville providing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to the Community Outreach Center and its requirement of providing "matching funds" to be distributed. Brown noted this money cannot be accessed

- by the people who need it because they cannot provide matching funds. She requested an explanation be given which provides for the City to require matching funds for the money to be distributed to those in need.
2. Keith Thomas, resident of Woods Gate Lane, Thomasville, Georgia, voiced concerns regarding CSX Railroad schedule that allows trains to paralyze the City several times during the day. He noted the current train schedule provides increased safety concerns for traffic, safety vehicles and the general public; especially when it is oftentimes stopped completely for long periods of time. He further noted with only two overpasses to circumnavigate the stopped train, traffic become jammed quickly and emergency vehicles experience great difficulty navigating the normal routes to the hospital.

ADOPT AGENDA

Mayor Pro Tem Mobley motioned to adopt the agenda as presented. Councilmember Chastain seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

OLD BUSINESS

Second reading of four separate ordinances to authorize the acquisition of utility and permanent easements in connection with the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project (GDOT PI#0015394).

City Attorney, Tim Sanders reported there has been no changes to the ordinances since their individual passages on first reading. It was noted that each ordinance shall be considered individually and with a separate vote of each from Council.

1. Parcel 8: Second reading of an ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 3,566.66 square feet located from James Thomas Rehberg at 507 Old Albany Road is necessary for furtherance of the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project. The consideration paid will be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and the easement will vest in the City and will later be assigned to the Georgia Dept. of Transportation.

Councilmember Chastain motioned to order the second reading of the ordinance authorizing the acquisition of easement in relation to Parcel 8 as read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented. Councilmember Warren seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The adopted ordinance shall be included in the permanent record of Council Meeting Minutes.

2. Parcel 11: Second reading of an ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 153.43 square feet located and a utility easement for the City of approximately 733.00 square feet from Rena Montgomery at 591 Old Albany Road is necessary for furtherance of the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project. The consideration paid will be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and the construction and maintenance easement will vest in the City and will later be assigned to the Georgia Dept. of Transportation. Approximately 886.43 combined square feet located at 591 Old Albany Road.

Councilmember Scott motioned to order the second reading of the ordinance authorizing the acquisition of easement in relation to Parcel 11 as read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Mobley seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The adopted ordinance shall be included in the permanent record of Council Meeting Minutes.

3. Parcel 19: Second reading of an ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 488.61 square feet located and a utility easement for the City of approximately 642.63 square feet from Margaret Deuane Duncan at 106 Highland Street is necessary for furtherance of the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project. The consideration paid will be Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and the construction and maintenance easement will vest in the City and will later be assigned to the Georgia Dept. of Transportation.

Councilmember Warren motioned to order the second reading of the ordinance authorizing the acquisition of easement in relation to Parcel 19 as read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented. Councilmember Scott seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The adopted ordinance shall be included in the permanent record of Council Meeting Minutes.

4. **Parcel 29:** Second reading of an ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a permanent general utility easement of approximately 1,872.82 square feet located from David M. Ley and Laura J. Ley at 601 Old Albany Road is necessary for furtherance of the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project. The consideration paid will be Seven Hundred Three Dollars (\$703.00) and the easement will vest in the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Mobley motioned to order the second reading of the ordinance authorizing the acquisition of easement in relation to Parcel 19 as read for the second time, passed and adopted as presented. Councilmember Scott seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The adopted ordinance shall be included in the permanent record of Council Meeting Minutes.

Second reading of an ordinance to amend various sections of Thomasville's Code to provide uniformity regarding service on certain boards and commissions, with respect to appointment, attendance, training and removal of members.

City Attorney, Tim Sanders reviewed amendments made to the ordinance since its passage on first reading. The changes effected by this ordinance will generally apply to all of the boards and commissions outlined in section 2-101(a). The exception is that the vacancy and removal provisions do not apply to members of the Pension Board who are elected by the employees. City Attorney Sander reported the boards and entities listed in section 2-101(b) were not solely created by an act of the City. The ordinance applies to those members who are appointed to the boards and commission enumerated in section 2-101(a), and not to councilmembers or ex-officio members set by City ordinance.

Councilmember Scott motioned to order the ordinance to amend Thomasville's Code to provide uniformity regarding service on certain boards, commissions and like bodies as presented as read for the second time, passed and adopted. Mayor Pro Tem Mobley seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded; AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The adopted ordinance shall be included in the permanent record of Council Meeting Minutes.

Second reading of an ordinance to authorize acquisition of 1,827 square feet located at 1020 Remington Avenue in connection with the Remington Avenue Project.

Executive Director of Engineering and Inspections, Mark Harmon reported there had been no changes since the passage of the ordinance on first reading.

Mayor Pro Tem Mobley motioned to order the ordinance authorizing acquisition of a portion of property located at 1020 Remington Avenue as read for the second time, passed and adopted, as presented. Councilmember Chastain seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The adopted ordinance shall be included in the permanent record of Council Meeting Minutes.

NEW BUSINESS

First reading of an ordinance to set candidate qualifying fees for the 2023 Municipal General Election.

City Clerk, Felicia Brannen reported pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131 et. seq., the Municipal General Election Qualifying Fees are required to be fixed, and published, no later than February 1st of each election year. The qualifying

fee shall be 3% of the total gross salary of the office paid in the preceding calendar year including all supplements authorized by law if a salaried office. If not a salaried office, a reasonable fee shall be set by the governing authority of such county or municipality, such fee not to exceed 3% of the income derived from such county office by the person holding the office for the preceding year; or, not more than \$35.00 for a municipal office. Councilmember Candidate Qualifying Fee shall be set at \$607.68. City School Board of Education member Candidate Qualifying Fee shall be set at \$35.00. The Municipal General Election will be held November 7, 2023 for two councilmember seats and four City Board of Education seats.

Councilmember Warren motioned to order the ordinance to set the qualifying fees for the municipal general election as read for the first time, passed and carried over as presented. Councilmember Scott seconded. Councilmember Chastain inquired if this was the same as previous years. City Clerk Brannen indicated the fees were based upon the salary of the office, which have had no changes since the municipal general election in 2021. There was no further discussion. The motion remained unchanged. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The ordinance title read for the first time, passed and carried over follows.

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE CANDIDATE QUALIFYING FEES FOR THE 2023 MUNICIPAL ELECTION; TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Motion to approve active 2023 Alcohol Beverage License Renewals.

Customer Service Manager, Melissa Creel reported that all active 2023 alcohol beverage license holders have paid in full their renewal fees for Package Beer and/or Wine; Package Beer, Wine, and Liquor; Consumption of Beer and/or Wine; Consumption of Beer and/or Wine & Liquor Pouring; Consumption Beer, Wine & Liquor Pouring for Private Club only; Catering License for Beer, Wine and Liquor Pouring, Manufacturer Distillery and Manufacturer Brewery.

Councilmember Scott motioned to approve the listing of 2022 Alcohol Beverage License Renewals as presented and amended. Councilmember Chastain seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

The approved list of 2023 Alcohol Beverage License Holders follows.

FY 2023 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE SALES LICENSE RENEWAL LIST

(As of 12/31/2022)

PACKAGE BEER AND/OR WINE ONLY

Eeman, Inc. /319 Express Foods-4099 / 1013 East Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400

Shilotar, LLC/ NS Food Mart – 5021 & 5022 / 501 N Madison Street
Package Beer \$400 & Package Wine \$350

Bob & Jeff's IGA #4931, 4932 / 309 Smith Avenue
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Georgia CVS Pharmacy#4515- 3137 & 3138 / 14857 US Hwy 19 South
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Dolgen Corporation - Dollar General Locations:
Store # 1904 – 1225 East Jackson Street - 4556&4557
Store # 7956 – 1106 West Jackson Street -4562&4563
Store # 8265 – 15187 US 19 South-4558&4559
Store # 12936 – 607 North Madison Street -4560&4561
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Lalji Enterprises, Inc. DBA Easy In & Out-1677 / 2103 Smith Avenue
Package Beer \$400

Flash Foods/Circle K - Flash Foods #280- 3033, 3034 / 2267 East Pinetree Boulevard.
Package Beer 400 and Wine \$350

Flash Foods # 278- 3029, 3030 / 6358 Hwy 319 South
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Flash Foods #277- 3027, 3028 / 15329 US Hwy 19 South
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Zigalota Inc. - Green Food Mart and Beauty Supply- 4355, 4356 / 105 Green Street
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Food Lion, LLC #2806 #5224, 5225 / 1404 East Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Jackson Pantry-4081, 4082 / 636 West Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Krishna's Corner-2469 / 1060 West Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400

Jalaram 72, LLC- PMJ Food Mart #2 5176 & 5177 / 107 Old Albany Rd
Package Beer \$400 && Wine \$350

PMJ Food Mart #3 5182 & 5183 / 617 North Boulevard
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Yogi Keshav Inc. - Granny's Country Store- 4823, 4824 / 316 Smith Avenue
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Lotto Corner- 4091,5376 / 402 Magnolia Street
Package Beer \$400 Wine \$350

Quarter 2105, LLC- 4868, 4869 / 2754 E Pinetree Boulevard
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

TalTola Incs./Like Food Mart 5412, 5413 / 456 West Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Publix Supermarkets Inc.- 1111, 1112 - Publix Supermarket #1498 / 13775 US 19 South
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Quick Buys #103- 1788, 4011 / 1818 County Line Road
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Suhani Enterprises - Petro Quik Stop-2655 / 1335 West Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400

Raceway #6868- 4535 / 13883 Hwy 19 South
Package Beer \$400

Walgreen Co #19880.- 5065, 5066 / 301 South Broad Street
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Hariram 72, LLC – 5467, 5468 / 408 South Broad Street
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Susie Q's #10- 3936 / 2112 Smith Avenue
Package Beer \$400

Susie Q's #20- 3938 / 1334 West Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400

Wal-Mart Supercenter #889-1513, 1514 / 15328 US Hwy 19 South
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Wright Street Mini Market-1565 / 528 Wright Street
Package Beer \$400

J& B's Country Meats – 5097, 5098 / 2780 East Pinetree Boulevard
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Southwest Georgia Oil, DBA Sunstop #889- 5330,5331 / 16375 US Hwy 19 South
Package Berr \$400 & wine \$350

CONSUMPTION BEER AND/OR WINE

Ochtel, LLC, The Billiard Academy-3700 / 121 South Broad Street
Consumption Beer \$400

George and Louie's Restaurant-2554, 2698 / 217 Remington Avenue
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

The Kickstand – 5067 & 5068 / 114 S Madison Street
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Camp Hospitality - Hampton Inn-3383, 3384 / 1950 GA Hwy 122
Consumption Beer \$400 & Consumption & Package Wine \$450

Hubs and Hops, LLC / 227 West Jackson Street - 5322, 5323
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Hubs and Hops, LLC / 209 West Remington Avenue- 4873, 4874
Consumption & Package Beer \$500 & Wine \$450

BTH & Lumpkin, LLC-4647 – Relish / 107-A South Broad Street
Consumption & Package Wine \$450

Brinkley Food Group, LLC- 4920 - Diablo's Southwest Grill / 254 Liberty Street/PO BOX 2300
Consumption Beer \$400

The Farmers Daughter Vineyards Tasting Room- 4738, 4739 / 106 North Broad Street
Package and Consumption Beer \$500
Package and Consumption Wine \$450
Catering Wine \$100- 5078, Catering Beer \$100-5380

Element Style Bar- 4853, 4854 / 224 West Jackson Street
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Nails By Chris – 5124 / 13781 US Hwy 19 South
Consumption Wine \$350

The Sporting Gallery, LLC- 5044, 5045 / 206 South Broad Street
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Country Oaks Golf Course, COT-4586, 4587 / 6481 GA Hwy 122
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Three Strands Braiding and More,LLC- 5329 / 464 West Jackson Street
Consumption Wine \$350

Sweet Cacao Chocolates, LLC -5278, 5279, 5280, 5281 / 108 East Jackson Street
Consumption Beer \$400, wine \$350
Catering Beer \$100, wine \$100

Upchurch, LLC- 5422, 5423 / 125 North Broad Street, Ste. 213
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350

CONSUMPTION BEER, WINE & LIQUOR POURING

Hagel Restaurant Group - Chop House on the Bricks-4441, 4442, 4443 / 123 North Broad Street
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Rancho Grande Mexican Grill-4537, 4538, 4539 / 14010 Us Hwy 19 South
Consumption Beer, \$400 Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000
Catering Beer \$100, Wine \$100, Liquor Pouring \$500- 5471, 5472, 5473

Santiago R. Solorio - LaFogata of Thomasville, Inc.- 2849, 2850, 2851
14418 US Hwy 19 South
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Liam's Restaurant- 3504, 3505, 4256 / 113 East Jackson Street
Package & Consumption Beer \$500, Wine \$450 & Liquor Pouring \$2000
Catering Beer \$100, Wine \$100 Liquor Pouring \$500- 5106,5107,5108,

Mom & Dad's Italian Restaurant, Inc.- 899, 900, 1918 / 1800 Smith Avenue
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$450 (plus package wine) & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Michael Angelo Restaurant, Inc. - The Plaza Restaurant & Lounge- 3389, 3390, 3391
217 South Broad Street
Consumption Beer, \$400 Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

RARE Hospitality International, Inc. - Longhorn Steakhouse #5365-3872, 3873, 3874
21 Constitution Avenue
Consumption Beer, \$400 Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

J&A Business Associates, LLC - Moonspin- 4825, 4826, 5332 / 113 North Crawford Street
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 and Liquor Pouring \$2000
Catering Beer \$100- 5077

Sweet Grass Dairy Cheese Shop-4418, 4419, 4420 / 123 South Broad Street
Package and Consumption Beer \$500, P & C Wine \$450 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Sweet and Savory Sisters (SASS)-4642, 4643, 5123 / 420 West Jackson Street
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

LC's Company, LLC d/b/a LC's Sports Bar- #5218, 5219, 5220 / 1102 East Jackson Street 8A&B
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350, Liquor pouring \$2000

Looney Birds, LLC-4862, 4863, 4864 - Loco's Bar & Grill / 256 Liberty Street
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Hari Palaces, Inc. – 4875, 4876, 5039 - Thomasville Pin Strikes / 1650 Colonial Drive
Consumption & Package Beer \$500 & Wine \$450 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Beef 'O' Brady's Family Sports Pub- 2986, 2987, 4696 / 1508 East Jackson Street
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & liquor pouring \$2000

Coyoacan – 4954, 4955, 4956 / 116 North Broad Street
Consumption Beer \$400, wine \$350 & Liquor pouring \$2000

Southern Lodging, LLC – 5201, 5202, 5203 / 207 South Dawson Street
Consumption & Package Beer \$500 & Wine \$450, Liquor Pouring \$2000

El Jalisco Mexican Restaurant, Inc.-5364, 5365, 5366 / 15370 US Hwy 19 South
Consumption Beer \$400, wine \$350 & Liquor pouring \$2000

San Marcos Mexican Grill- 5265, 5266, 5267 / 13765 US Hwy 19 South
Consumption Beer \$400, wine \$350, Liquor Pouring \$2000

King Claw, Inc.- 5268, 5269, 5270 / 15047 US Hwy 19 South
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350, liquor Pouring \$2000

St. James – 5496, 5497, 5498 / 1145 West Jackson Street
Consumption and Package Beer \$500, Wine \$450, Liquor Pouring \$2000

Zaan Thomasville, LLC – 5458, 5459, 5460 - Zaan Indian Cuisine
2575 E Pinetree Boulevard
Consumption Beer, \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

CONSUMPTION BEER, WINE & LIQUOR POURING –PRIVATE CLUB ONLY

James Hicks American Legion Post 519- 52, 53 / 312 Hopkins Street
Consumption Beer \$400 & Liquor Pouring (PC) \$2000

Glen Arven Country Club- 524, 525, 526 / 1700 Old Monticello Road
Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring (PC) \$2000

PACKAGE BEER, WINE, AND LIQUOR

Shree Siaram72, LLC – 5500, 5501, 5502 / 621 1/2 North Boulevard
Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Lalji Patel-Aanvi Beverage Inc DBA - J's Wine & Spirits- 4296, 4297, 4298
1414 East Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Purva, LLC, DBA - Outlet Liquor- 4279, 4280, 4281 / 741 West Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Vaishanavi LLC, DBA - Rose City Liquors, LLC- 3988, 3989, 3990
15189 US 19 South
Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Rudra One, LLC – 5171, 5172, 5173 - OM Food Mart / 1317 East Jackson Street
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Southern Magnolia Bottle LLC DBA - Bird Dog Bottle Company- 4445, 4446, 4447
1918 Smith Avenue
Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Jayganesh22, LLC DBA - Three Oaks Package Wine and Spirits- 5428, 5429, 5430
2551 East Pinetree Boulevard
Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

DISTILLERY & BREWERY MANUFACTURER

1861 Distillery Inc.- 5264, 5499 / 314 Smith Avenue
Liquor Pouring & Distilled Manufacturing License \$1500.00
Brewery License \$1500.00

Tvelo Brewing Co.- 5495 / 227 W Jackson Street
Brewery License \$1500.00

Motion to approve Asset Disposition Services Agreement for Thomasville Police Department.

TPD Major, Wade Glover reported the Thomasville Police Department manages evidence for Thomasville Police Department, Thomas County Sheriffs' Office, and Thomasville-Thomas County Narcotics Vice Unit. Due to managing evidence for so many agencies, over 5,000 pieces of evidence are collected annually. The evidence includes items such as drugs, guns, construction tools, lawn equipment, televisions, computers, vehicles, clothing, bicycles, and etc. Once the criminal case has been disposed of through the court process, TPD personnel have the daunting task of removing and destroying the remaining evidence after the retention schedule has been met. Items such as narcotics are destroyed in an incinerator. However, other items such as tools, televisions, computers, bicycles, guns, vehicles, and lawn equipment have to be returned to the owner if they can be located, or destroyed. PropertyRoom.com assists law enforcement agencies in the disposal of unwanted evidence in a much more efficient way. The law enforcement agency enters into agreement with PropertyRoom.com who will then retrieve the evidence released by the agency after it has been approved for destruction by the proper court processes. PropertyRoom.com will come in and dispose of all unclaimed property within the custody of the department and the law enforcement agency retains 50% of the proceeds collected. It was noted there was no funding from the City of Thomasville required.

Mayor Pro Tem Mobley motioned to approve the Asset Disposition Services Agreement by and between the City of Thomasville for the Thomasville Police Department and PropertyRoom.com; and, to authorize the Mayor's signature on any necessary and related documents. Councilmember Warren seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 5-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Flowers, Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

REPORTS

Councilmembers collectively wished the best of luck to the Georgia Bulldogs in the upcoming 2023 College Football National Championship game. Councilmembers also thanked those recognized this evening for their service to the community.

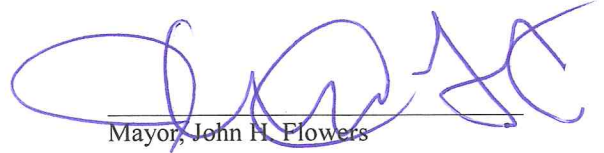
Councilmember Warren reported February is designated and recognized as Black History Month and encouraged citizens to attend events surrounding the designation.

Councilmember Chastain recognized honorary councilmember Austin Williams, and thanked him for his interest in local government.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss, the Thomasville City Council Meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM.

CITY OF THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA



Mayor, John H. Flowers



ATTEST: City Clerk

