

City of Thomasville Council Meeting, February 13, 2023

The Council of the City of Thomasville met in regular session on the above date. Mayor Pro Tem Todd Mobley presided and the following Councilmembers were present: 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; other city staff; citizens and members of the media. It shall be noted that Mayor Jay Flowers and City Attorney, Tim Sanders, were not present at this meeting. 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 Pro Tem Mobley 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

Councilmember Scott motioned to approve the City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of January 23, 2023, as presented. Councilmember Chastain seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Mayor Pro Tem Mobley acknowledged the following Citizen to be Heard, as listed on the sign-in sheet:

1. Joan Ellis, member of the Animal Control Board, provided Councilmembers with an informational flyer regarding a service for Thomas County residents in relation to micro-chipping their pets. The service is free and will be completed on March 4, 2023. Pets with micro-chips that wander away from home or are lost will receive a free ride home. This initiative will assist animal control with reuniting lost pets with their owners.

ADOPT AGENDA

Councilmember Scott motioned to adopt the agenda as presented. Councilmember Warren seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

OLD BUSINESS

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

As City Attorney Sanders was not present at this meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Mobley reported there had been no changes to the separate three ordinances since their passage on first reading. It was noted that the easements are necessary in relation to Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project (GDOT PI#0015394) and would require a separate vote from Council for each parcel.

1. Parcel 3: Councilmember Warren motioned to order the ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 1,517.87 square feet at 201 Old Albany Road from John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital, Inc. in exchange for consideration of \$610, as read for the second time, passed and adopted. Councilmember Scott seconded. There was no discussion.

The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain. The ordinance ordered read for the second time, passed and adopted follows.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF SLOPES AND DRAINAGE OF APPROXIMATELY 1,517.87 SQUARE FEET LOCATED 201 OLD ALBANY ROAD IN CONNECTION WITH OLD ALBANY ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT (GDOT PI #0015394); TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION I

WHEREAS, the City of Thomasville was awarded funding for right-of-way acquisition in connection with the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project (GDOT PI #0015394) ("Project") by the Georgia Department of Transportation "(GDOT)" for the fiscal year 2022;

WHEREAS, the acquisition by the City of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 1,517.87 square feet located at 201 Old Albany Road ("Maintenance Easement") from John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital, Inc. ("Owner") in the name of the City, to be assigned to GDOT, is necessary in connection with the construction **and maintenance of the Project**, and such Maintenance Easement is more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof;

WHEREAS, the City Council of Thomasville, Georgia, recognizes that the purchase of the Maintenance Easement is necessary to and in furtherance of the Project, is a valid public purpose, and the Project is of significant benefit to the citizens of the City and their health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the Maintenance Easement will be a cost effective measure for the goals and objectives in furtherance of the Project.

SECTION II

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Thomasville, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same (i) that the acquisition of the Maintenance Easement by the City in the name of the City, to be assigned to GDOT, more particularly described on Exhibit "A" is hereby authorized for a purchase price of Six Hundred Ten and 00/100 Dollars (\$610.00); (ii) that the option to purchase agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "B" is hereby ratified and approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the same; (iii) that the Mayor is authorized to take all actions and to do all things necessary to carry out the purposes and intent set forth in this ordinance and to effect the purchase of the Maintenance Easement, under such other terms and conditions as may be necessary and appropriate in his judgment and discretion, in consultation with the City Attorney, including but not limited to the execution of settlement statements and other related closing documents, and any assignments of the Maintenance Easement to GDOT; and (iv) that the forgoing (i-iii) are conditioned upon and subject to Owner executing a construction and maintenance easement in a form and substance as approved by the City Attorney and substantially similar to that which are attached hereto and made a part here of as Exhibit "C".

SECTION III

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

SECTION IV

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

SECTION V

This ordinance was introduced and read at a lawful meeting of the Council of Thomasville, Georgia, held on January 23, 2023, and read a second time, passed, and adopted in a like meeting held on February 13, 2023.

Referenced Exhibits shall be included in the permanent and official minutes of the City of Thomasville.

2. Parcel 4: Councilmember Chastain motioned to order the ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 665.19 square feet located at 820 Cairo Road from John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital, Inc. in exchange for consideration of \$500, as read for the second time, passed and adopted. Councilmember Warren seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain. The ordinance ordered read for the second time, passed and adopted follows.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF SLOPES AND DRAINAGE OF APPROXIMATELY 665.19 SQUARE FEET LOCATED AT 820 CAIRO ROAD IN CONNECTION WITH OLD ALBANY ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT (GDOT PI #0015394); TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION I

WHEREAS, the City of Thomasville was awarded funding for right-of-way acquisition in connection with the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project (GDOT PI #0015394) ("Project") by the Georgia Department of Transportation ("GDOT") for the fiscal year 2022;

WHEREAS, the acquisition by the City of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 665.19 square feet located at 820 Cairo Road ("Maintenance Easement") from John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital ("Owner") in the name of the City, to be assigned to GDOT, is necessary in connection with the construction and maintenance of the Project, and such Maintenance Easement is more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof;

WHEREAS, the City Council of Thomasville, Georgia, recognizes that the purchase of the Maintenance Easement is necessary to and in furtherance of the Project, is a valid public purpose, and the Project is of significant benefit to the citizens of the City and their health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the Maintenance Easement will be a cost effective measure for the goals and objectives in furtherance of the Project.

SECTION II

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Thomasville, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same (i) that the acquisition of the Maintenance Easement by the City in the name of the City, to be assigned to GDOT, more particularly shown on Exhibit "A", is hereby authorized for a purchase price of Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$500.00); (ii) that the option to purchase agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "B" is hereby ratified and approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the same; (iii) that the Mayor is authorized to take all actions and to do all things necessary to carry out the purposes and intent set forth in this ordinance and to effect the purchase of the Maintenance Easement, under such other terms and conditions as may be necessary and appropriate in his judgment and discretion, in consultation with the City Attorney, including but not limited to the

execution of settlement statements and other related closing documents, and any assignments of the Maintenance Easement to GDOT; and (iv) that the forgoing (i-iii) are conditioned upon and subject to Owner executing a construction and maintenance easement in a form and substance as approved by the City Attorney and substantially similar to that which is attached hereto and made a part here of as Exhibit "C."

SECTION III

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

SECTION IV

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

SECTION V

This ordinance was introduced and read at a lawful meeting of the Council of Thomasville, Georgia, held on January 23, 2023, and read a second time, passed, and adopted in a like meeting held on February 13, 2023.

Referenced Exhibits shall be included in the permanent and official minutes of the City of Thomasville.

3. Parcel 5: Councilmember Scott motioned to order the ordinance to authorize the acquisition of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 2,464.71 square feet and a permanent utility easement of approximately 10,719.62 square feet located at 401 Old Albany Road from John D. Archbold Memorial Hospital, Inc. in exchange for consideration of \$2,372.56, as read for the second time, passed and adopted. Councilmember Chastain seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain. The ordinance ordered read for the second time, passed and adopted follows.

AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE PURCHASE OF A PERMANENT EASEMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF SLOPES AND DRAINAGE OF APPROXIMATELY 2,464.71 SQUARE FEET AND A PERMANENT UTILITIES EASEMENT OF APPROXIMATELY SQUARE FEET 10,719.62 LOCATED AT 401 OLD ALBANY ROAD IN CONNECTION WITH OLD ALBANY ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT (GDOT PI #0015394); TO REPEAL ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SECTION I

WHEREAS, the City of Thomasville was awarded funding for right-of-way acquisition in connection with the Old Albany Road Sidewalk Project (GDOT PI #0015394) ("Project") by the Georgia Department of Transportation ("GDOT") for the fiscal year 2022;

WHEREAS, the acquisition by the City of a permanent easement for construction and maintenance of slopes and drainage of approximately 2,464.71 square feet located at 401 Old Albany Road ("Maintenance Easement") from Rena Jackson (aka Rena Montgomery) ("Owner") in the name of the City, to be assigned to GDOT, and a permanent utilities easement of approximately 10,719.62 square feet at the same location ("Utilities Easement") are necessary in connection with the construction and maintenance of the Project, and such Maintenance Easement and Utilities Easement are more particularly described on Exhibit "A" and Exhibit "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof;

WHEREAS, the City Council of Thomasville, Georgia, recognizes that the purchase of the Maintenance Easement and the Utilities Easement are necessary to and in furtherance of the Project, is a valid public purpose, and the Project is of significant benefit to the citizens of the City and their health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of the Maintenance Easement and the Utilities Easement will be a cost effective measure for the goals and objectives in furtherance of the Project.

SECTION II

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of Thomasville, Georgia, and it is hereby ordained by the authority of the same (i) that the acquisition of the Maintenance Easement by the City in the name of the City, to be assigned to GDOT, more particularly described on Exhibit "A", and the Utilities Easement, more particularly described on Exhibit "B" are hereby authorized for a purchase price of Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Seven and 56/100 Dollars (\$2,637.56); (ii) that the option to purchase agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "C" is hereby ratified and approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute the same; (iii) that the Mayor is authorized to take all actions and to do all things necessary to carry out the purposes and intent set forth in this ordinance and to effect the purchase of the Maintenance Easement and the Utilities Easement, under such other terms and conditions as may be necessary and appropriate in his judgment and discretion, in consultation with the City Attorney, including but not limited to the execution of settlement statements and other related closing documents, and any assignments of the Maintenance Easement to GDOT; and (iv) that the forgoing (i-iii) are conditioned upon and subject to Owner executing a construction and maintenance easement and a utilities easement in a form and substance as approved by the City Attorney and substantially similar to that which are attached hereto and made a part here of as Exhibit "D" and Exhibit "E" respectively.

SECTION III

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

SECTION IV

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SECTION V

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Referenced Exhibits shall be included in the permanent and official minutes of the City of Thomasville.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution to approve the Loan Agreement CW2022025 and Promissory Note by and between the City of Thomasville and the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, administered by Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) and to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign necessary and related documents.

Grants Administrator, Pam Schalk reported the Loan Agreement CW2022025 was discussed at the Utilities Commission Meeting held on February 8, 2023. The loan, in the amount not to exceed \$7,890,000 from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, Administered by the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) will be used to fund required and necessary improvements at the Waste Water Treatment Facility.

Councilmember Scott motioned to approve the resolution, as presented. Councilmember Warren seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain. The adopted resolution follows.

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Recipient: CITY OF THOMASVILLE

Loan Number: CW2022025

At a duly called meeting of the governing body of the Borrower identified above (the "Borrower") held on the 13th day of February 2023, the following resolution was introduced and adopted.

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borrower has determined to borrow but not to exceed \$7,890,000 from the CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND, ADMINISTERED BY GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE AUTHORITY (the "Lender") to finance a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, and installing the environmental facilities described in Exhibit A to the hereinafter defined Loan Agreement (the "Project"), pursuant to the terms of a Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement") between the Borrower and the Lender, the form of which has been presented to this meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Borrower's obligation to repay the loan made pursuant to the Loan Agreement will be evidenced by a Promissory Note (the "Note") of the Borrower, the form of which has been presented to this meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borrower that the forms, terms, and conditions and the execution, delivery, and performance of the Loan Agreement and the Note are hereby approved and authorized.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borrower that the terms of the Loan Agreement and the Note (including the interest rate provisions, which shall be as provided in the Note) are in the best interests of the Borrower for the financing of the Project, and the governing body of the Borrower designates and authorizes the following persons to execute and deliver, and to attest, respectively, the Loan Agreement, the Note, and any related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Loan Agreement.

Person to Execute Documents: Todd E. Mobley, Mayor Pro Tem

Person to Attest Documents: Felicia Brannen, City Clerk

The undersigned further certifies that the above resolution has not been repealed or amended and remains in full force and effect.

Dated: February 13, 2023

Signed by: Felicia Brannen, Secretary/Clerk

Resolution to approve submittal of application for Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) Grant. Solid Waste & Landfill Superintendent, Jimmy Smith, Jr., reported that the Solid Waste for Infrastructure (SWIFR) grant program funded through the BIL is a historic investment in the health, equity, and resilience of American communities. The unprecedented funding provided by the BIL through the SWIFR grants will assist local waste management authorities by supporting improvements to local post-consumer materials management, including municipal recycling programs, and assisting local waste management authorities in making improvements to local waste management systems. Currently, the recycling bale center lacks the infrastructure needed to efficiently process recyclable materials. The lack of cover for the cardboard materials leads to water damage and contamination. There are no facilities for staff to get out of bad weather. The site is not fenced, and some materials are blown off-site by the wind resulting in a permitting violation. While recycling has gone down since 2019, there was an increase in 2022.

With the new facilities, the recycling program can once again become self-sustaining while reducing the amount of waste going into our landfill. No matching funds are required, however, existing staff salaries related to this project will be included in the application as leverage in the amount of approximately \$245,000.

Councilmember Chastain motioned to approve the resolution as presented. Councilmember Scott seconded. It was noted that the grant, if awarded, will help get the facilities in better condition to recycle materials properly and safely. It was also noted that the grant is considered a reimbursement grant. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain. The adopted resolution follows.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, desires to provide waste reduction and increased recycling opportunities for our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, desires to apply to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) grant program for the purchase of recycling infrastructure to assist with making improvements to local waste management facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Thomasville Solid Waste Department has an opportunity to submit an EPA SWIFR application for a grant of up to eight hundred sixty thousand (\$860,000) in funding assistance so as to obtain funding assistance; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, desires to authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary and related documents as shall be necessary in relation to the SWIFR grant application; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, hereby authorizes the submission of an EPA SWIFR grant application in an amount up to \$860,000; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, hereby authorizes the allocation of FY 2024 Budget funds as leverage for this project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, further authorizes the Mayor of the City of Thomasville, or his/her successor, as the signatory on all necessary and related documents as shall be necessary in relation to the EPA SWIFR grant application.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, on this, the 13th day of February 2023.

Resolution to approve submittal of application for Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant.

City Planner, Kenny Thompson reported the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58, November 15, 2021, "Bipartisan Infrastructure Law," or "BIL") authorized and appropriated \$1.5 billion to be awarded by the Department of Transportation ("DOT") for FY 2023 for Local and Regional Project Assistance Program Grants under National Infrastructure Investments. On December 29, 2022, the FY 2023 Appropriations Act appropriated an additional \$800 million for the FY 2023 RAISE Grant Program. RAISE Grants are for investments in surface transportation that will have a significant local or regional impact. The RAISE Grant will fund both infrastructure investments as well as planning for infrastructure investments. As a first step, the City is requesting funding through the RAISE grant to assist in the creation of a Multimodal Transportation Plan (MMTP). A Multimodal Transportation Plan will address many of the community's concerns related to transportation and are outlined in the Blueprint 2028 Comprehensive Plan. Specifically, a MMTP will achieve the following:

- A safety analysis of existing conditions and needs for all modes of transportation, including walking, biking, and driving,
- Robust public engagement around transportation needs, including walking audits, community charrettes, and stakeholder engagement,
- An inclusive process and recommendations, including the equity impact assessment of proposed transportation projects,
- An assessment of current policies, standards, and guidelines to identify opportunities to prioritize safe streets,
- A comprehensive set of projects and strategies to address the multimodal concerns of the community, and an implementation strategy that identifies funding sources for strategic street improvements,
- An assessment of the potential economic impact infrastructure improvements may have for the community, and
- Recommendations for routes and access for multiple modes of transportation.

City Planner Thompson further noted that a 20% cash match is required for the grant. The City has allocated \$50,000 toward the creation of a MMTP in the 2023 budget, which will cover the cost of the match.

Councilmember Warren motioned to approve the resolution as presented. Councilmember Chastain seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain. The adopted resolution follows.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, desires to develop a Multimodal Transportation Plan for our residents; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, desires submit an application to the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, DOT for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) grant program; and

WHEREAS, the City of Thomasville Planning Department has an opportunity to submit a DOT RAISE application for a grant of up to one hundred seventy-five thousand (\$175,000) so as to obtain funding assistance; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, desires to authorize the Mayor to sign all necessary and related documents as shall be necessary in relation to the RAISE grant application; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, hereby authorizes the submission of a DOT RAISE grant application in an amount up to \$175,000; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, further authorizes the Mayor of the City of Thomasville, or his/her successor, as the signatory on all necessary and related documents as shall be necessary in relation to the DOT RAISE grant application.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Thomasville, Georgia, on this, the 13th day of February 2023.

Motion to approve renewal of City's Guaranty on the DDA Loan with TNB and to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign necessary and related documents.

Chief Financial Officer, Ashley Cason reported that in December 2001, the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) purchased 403 North Broad Street. At that time, the DDA obtained a loan from Thomasville National Bank, which was guaranteed by the City of Thomasville. In August 2005, the DDA entered into a 20-year lease agreement with the Georgia Department of Labor to lease 403 Broad Street for \$222,000 annually (\$18,500 monthly). This lease is for one-year terms, renewable up to 20 years. The Department of Labor has renewed the lease every year to date. The rental income from this lease is used to pay the loan and maintenance on the building. Currently, the loan balance is

\$1,357,418.50. In 2022, the interest rate was 3.25%. For 2023, the interest rate will be 4.90%. The monthly payments will continue to be \$16,000. Again, these monthly payments are funded by the \$18,500 monthly rental payments that DDA receives from the Georgia Department of Labor to lease the building. It was noted that City Council must approve a guaranty each year for this loan.

Councilmember Scott motioned to approve the renewal of the City's Guaranty on the DDA Loan with TNB and to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign necessary and related documents, as presented. Councilmember Chastain seconded. There was no discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

Motion to approve Change Order No. 1 in relation to an existing contract for Sewer Main Replacement of the 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project and to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign necessary and related documents.

Executive Director of Engineering and Inspections, Mark Harmon, reported an 857' section of the sewer main on Forrest between North Martin Luther King Boulevard and Bay Street purported to be 8" diameter pipe has been discovered to be 6" pipe. This pipe is in a deteriorated condition and was scheduled to be slip lined. Although it is possible to line 6" pipe, the pipe ID then becomes too small to view with current camera equipment or maintain as is needed. We have also discovered that the existing pipe is in worse condition than previously thought. For these reasons, this section must be replaced fully with new 8" PVC. The change order, in the amount of \$92,114.00 is based upon unit pricing and represents full replacement of the vitrified clay and concrete 857 linier feet of line with 8" PVC. Other work in the area remains the same. There are available funds for this unexpected expense within the sewer fund. It was noted that the accounting for this action will be included in the year end budget amendment.

Councilmember Warren motioned to approve Change Order No. 1 for an existing contract for sewer main replacement within the scope of the 2021 CDBG Project in the Dewey City area and to authorize the Mayor Pro Tem to sign necessary and related documents, as presented. Councilmember Chastain seconded. It was noted that all other lines have been surveyed. There was no further discussion. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

Motion to approve budget amendment to provide for the purchase of vehicles for Thomasville Police Department.

Thomasville Police Department (TPD) Major, Wade Glover reported the Thomasville Police Department's FY 2022 budget included the approval to purchase three (3) 2022 F150 Pick-Up trucks. These trucks were ordered through WADE Ford, located in Smyrna, Georgia, in February 2022. The vehicles were not made available from FORD until December of 2022. Once the vehicles arrived it was discovered they were black in color. The original quote was verified as for vehicles which were to be white in color. After several discussions and correspondences with the dealer, they are unable to provide the white 2022 Pick Up trucks due to inventory shortages and they no longer manufacture the 2022 model we had requested. The dealership did commit to paying for the black trucks to be wrapped in a white material, at a cost of \$3,000.00 per vehicle. Since then, the dealership did find and is able to provide three (3) 2023 trucks that meet the specifications requested with some added options. One of the options included was the electric vehicle component which is available on the 2023 model. This option will save on fuel cost for K-9 trucks as the vehicles are left running when an officer is on a call when the K-9 is not needed and left in the vehicle. The price difference; however, between the 2023 and the 2022, is \$10,710.00 per vehicle, or a total of \$32,130.00 for all three vehicles. The dealership agreed to reduce the price of the 2023 vehicles by the cost of the wrap of \$3,000.00 per vehicle for a credit of \$9,000.00; which leaves a difference of \$23,130.00. TPD Requests to amend the 2023 budget for the difference in price to provide for the purchase of three 2023 F-150 SSV pick-up trucks from Wade Ford.

Councilmember Scott motioned to approve the budget amendment and to provide for the purchase of three 2023 F-150 SSV pickup trucks, as presented. Councilmember Chastain seconded. It was noted the vehicles were a hybrid type of vehicle with an added electric component. The motion passed 4-0, with the following votes recorded: AYES: Mobley, Warren, Scott and Chastain.

REPORTS

City Manager Carson and Councilmembers collectively wished everyone a Happy Valentine's Day.

Councilmember Warren noted February is Black History Month and encouraged citizens to participate in various events planned throughout the month of February.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business to discuss, the Thomasville City Council Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM.

CITY OF THOMASVILLE, GEORGIA



Mayor John H. Flowers



ATTEST: City Clerk

