



## Blueprint: Thomasville 2028 Comprehensive Plan Update

By now, you've probably heard a great deal about Thomasville: Blueprint 2028, the comprehensive plan for the city that will set the tone for our community's growth and development for the next ten to twenty years. To date, we've hosted three different outreach opportunities (May 2017, September 2017 and March 2018), which has allowed almost 1,000 citizens to take part in the comprehensive planning process by participating in community design workshops focused on topics that included community design and character, mobility and health, housing, the Roses site, civic services, and more. Participation in these

workshops has allowed our citizens to share their input and offer feedback on what will become Thomasville's new comprehensive plan.

All of the information and feedback that has been shared during each of these opportunities has now been reviewed, analyzed and tabulated to formulate a draft comprehensive plan. This draft plan was unveiled to the public last month, and we are now asking for additional feedback before the final plan is presented to City Council. Please take a few moments to access the draft plan and leave your comments [here](#) on the Blueprint Thomasville website. This plan will be available on the website for the next several weeks. In addition, hard copies are available for viewing at the Thomas County Public Library, located at 201 N Madison St.

We want to hear your thoughts on this important document. Please feel free to share with your friends and neighbors. Additional information is available on [Thomasville.org](http://Thomasville.org) and [BlueprintThomasville.org](http://BlueprintThomasville.org). You may also contact [Lauren Radford](#), Director of Outreach and Engagement at 229-227-4015.

## Thomasville Utilities Launches TVILLE Text Alert Service

Tville TextAlert is a new service offered by the City of Thomasville Utilities that allows customers to report electric outages and receive updates on outages through text messages on their mobile phone or device. Tville TextAlert is a free service offered by the City of Thomasville for utilities customers. (Normal message rates and data fees by your phone carrier may apply.) You can read more about this exciting new feature [here](#).

It's now faster and easier to report your power outage using the City of Thomasville's new outage texting service.

**TVILLE**   
**textALERT**



Customer Service: 229.227.7001  
Outage Reporting: 229.227.5499

### Signing up for Tville TextAlert is easy!

1. Verify that your mobile number is added to your utilities account by calling 227-7001.
2. Once your number is added, or if it is already active on your account, text ***tville*** to ***85700***.
3. You'll receive a text asking you to confirm the service location. You can manage up to four locations through the Tville TextAlert service.
4. That's it! Use these commands to report or inquire about outages in your area:

Text ***tville*** to opt in to the outage texting service.

Text ***out*** to report an outage.

Text ***status*** to learn the status of your outage.

Text ***stop*** to opt out of the service.

Text ***help*** for a list of command words.

Tville TextAlert is a free service offered by the City of Thomasville for utilities customers. Normal message rates and data fees by your phone carrier may apply. Up to three business days may be required for your mobile number to be active in the texting database.

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Everything's Coming up Roses!



# ROSE SHOW & FESTIVAL

— celebrating 97 years —

We're celebrating 97 years of Roses! This three-day event is held in beautiful, historic Downtown Thomasville and has been a southwest Georgia tradition since the 1920s. What started in 1921 as a display in Neel's Department Store organized with only \$25 (won by a group of garden club ladies who won 1st place in the state fair for their display of locally grown vegetables and fruits!) has now grown to a 3-day festival with over 25,000 visitors! Join us for all the fun and festivities! Enjoy roses, roses and more roses, plus four flower shows, a children's parade, a larger and more exciting Rose Parade, a street dance featuring the Swingin' Medallions, fireworks, fantastic food, a car and truck show and family friendly activities in Paradise Park. We're pulling out all the stops to make this year the best Rose Show and Festival yet!

For more information and a complete listing of events and locations, click [here](#).

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# FIRST FRIDAY

## Sip AND Stroll

Grab a beer or wine from your favorite Downtown restaurant or venue and stroll the historic streets in style!

From 6-8 pm, musical acts and fun entertainment will be tucked throughout the Downtown for you to discover while you're shopping and dining.

From 8-10 pm, enjoy a free outdoor concert in the Park and Amphitheater in Downtown Thomasville (131 South Stevens Street), featuring a different theme and style of music each month. Concerts are held April - December. Event themes and concert details are listed [here](#).

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## Spring Clean 2018

Just in time for spring cleaning, City of Thomasville Utilities' Solid Waste Department announces Spring Clean 2018, the perfect opportunity to safely dispose of paint, electronics, appliances, furniture and more. The event will be held April 14-22. Items such as computers, gaming consoles, household electronics, small household appliances, large kitchen appliances, water heaters, mattresses, box springs and furniture will be accepted throughout the event at all sites. Hazardous products such as automotive products, paint products, garden chemicals, household chemicals and televisions will only be accepted on April 21st at Cherokee Lake Park.



**2018  
Spring Clean  
& ELECTRONIC RECYCLING**

**April 14<sup>th</sup> at Parnell Park**  
**April 15<sup>th</sup> at Francis Weston Park**  
**April 21<sup>st</sup> at Cherokee Lake**  
*(Hazardous products accepted only on this date)*  
**April 22<sup>nd</sup> at Flipper Park**

**Items can be dropped off at all locations  
from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. only.**

**Materials accepted only at Cherokee Lake on April 21 include:**  
Automotive Products • Paint Products • Garden Chemicals • Household Chemicals • Televisions. For a more detailed list, call 229.227.7092.

**Items accepted on all dates:**  
Computers • Gaming Consoles • Household Electronics  
Small Household Appliances • Large Kitchen Appliances  
Water Heaters • Mattresses/Box Springs • Furniture.

**The City of Thomasville Annual Spring  
Clean is for residential use only. For more  
information, call 229.227.7092.**



City of  
*Thomasville*  
SOLID WASTE



## Billing Your Way

While many people view it as a convenience to receive one bill for all of their utility and CNS services, some may find it easier to bill these services separately to better accommodate their household budget. The City of Thomasville is happy to work with customers who'd like to receive a separate bill for their CNS Internet, telephone and digital television services with a due date that is different from their existing utility services. If you'd like to take advantage of this service, please call a member of

our Customer Care team at 227-7001, and they will be happy to assist you.

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## Get Involved with Your Local Government

We all shape the city we live in, and one of the best ways you can take part in your community is by getting involved. Participation in government is a privilege that all citizens share in a democracy. Almost anyone can participate in the operations of local government. Taking an active role in your community's local government is a form of service to others, and you can get involved in a variety of ways. Here are just a few ways you can truly engage:

- Vote: Click [here](#) for information on how to register.
- Attend: The best way to be informed is to attend meetings. Click [here](#) to access a full meeting calendar.
- Serve: Click [here](#) for information on the City's various citizen boards, commissions and authorities.
- Volunteer: Share your skills with our community. Click [here](#) for details.
- Connect: Use [Thomasville.org](http://Thomasville.org) and our social media sites to stay informed.

[Click here](#) to learn more about ways you can become involved with your municipal government.

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## Did You Know?

How much do you know about your local government? Test your knowledge here...

- This year, the Rose Show & Festival will attract an estimated 32,000 visitors to Thomasville.
- Tourism generated \$3 billion in state and local taxes for Georgia.
- Taxes generated by tourism locally = \$264 per year tax savings for residents.



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## Public Meetings & Events Calendar

4/14: 10:00 a.m. - Spring Clean at Parnell Park  
4/15: 10:00 a.m. - Spring Clean at Francis Weston Park  
4/18: 4:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop  
4/19: 9:30 a.m. - Historic Preservation Commission Workshop  
4/19: 11:00 a.m. - City/County Landfill Meeting  
4/21: 10:00 a.m. - Spring Clean at Cherokee Lake  
4/22: 10:00 a.m. - Spring Clean at Flipper Park  
4/23: 8:30 a.m. - Payroll Development Authority Meeting  
4/23: 11:00 a.m. - Planning Committee Meeting  
4/23: 6:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop  
4/23: 7:00 p.m. - City Council Meeting

- 4/25: 8:30 a.m. - Utilities Committee Meeting
- 5/1: 8:30 a.m. - Main Street Advisory Board
- 5/2: 10:00 a.m. - Land Bank Authority Meeting
- 5/3: 2:00 p.m. - Public Works Meeting
- 5/4: 12:00 p.m. - Housing Authority Meeting
- 5/4: 6:00 p.m. - First Friday Sip & Stroll
- 5/7: 5:30 p.m. - Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting
- 5/8: 10:00 a.m. - Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
- 5/9: 10:00 a.m. - Architectural Review & Zoning Appeals (ARZA) Board Meeting
- 5/9: 11:00 a.m. - Public Safety Committee Meeting
- 5/9: 4:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop
- 5/10: 6:00 p.m. - Airport Advisory Board Meeting
- 5/14: 12:00 p.m. - Thomasville/Thomas Co. Recreation Board Meeting
- 5/14: 6:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop
- 5/14: 6:00 p.m. - City Council Meeting
- 5/16: 8:30 a.m. - Utilities Committee Meeting

A full meeting calendar is available [here](#).

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See what's happening on our social media site:

