City of Thomasville Operational Update

City Manager Alan Carson has announced a reopening plan for City of Thomasville administrative buildings and facilities. The City Administrative Building and other facilities closed to the general public in March due to the COVID-19 pandemic. These facilities will reopen on Monday, July 13, 2020 – the day after Georgia’s Public Health State of Emergency is set to expire.

All City buildings will reopen with new, enhanced safety and social distancing measures in place. For the Administrative Building, customers are encouraged to schedule an appointment for assistance with their accounts. Customers are also encouraged to wear a mask, and temperature screenings are required before entering the buildings.

Meetings of citizen boards will also resume after Monday, July 13th. Meeting dates and locations will be announced on Thomasville.org when scheduled.

Utility disconnections for non-payment will resume on August 1st, 2020. Late fees and penalties for non-payment will also be assessed after August 1st. Customers with an outstanding balance will be contacted directly to discuss payment arrangements. Customers are also welcome to call Customer Care to make payment on their account or to discuss establishing a payment arrangement. Customers may visit Customer Care at 111 Victoria Place after July 13th to discuss their accounts in person or they may call 229-227-7001 for assistance, but please call to make an appointment.
Other operational updates include:

- City of Thomasville playground equipment in public parks will reopen by Monday, June 22nd.

- Park reservations will resume Monday, June 22nd for gatherings of groups of less than 50. Special event permit requests will also resume on June 22nd.

- Merchandise sales in Country Oaks Golf Course will resume on Monday, June 22nd, with continued social distancing measures in place.

- Recycling centers will reopen on Monday, June 22nd for aluminum/metal cans and cardboard only.

- Rental applications for the Municipal Auditorium and the Ritz Amphitheater will resume for dates after July 13th.

To read more about the operational changes that will take place on June 22 and July 13, click here or call 229-227-7001.

Click the image below to view City Manager Alan Carson’s most recent COVID-19 update.
2020 Hurricane Preparedness

June 1st marked the start of the 2020 hurricane season, and the City of Thomasville reminds residents about the importance of hurricane preparedness as the season continues. Last year’s hurricane season saw a record number of eighteen named storms, six hurricanes, and three major hurricanes. The 2019 season was the fourth consecutive year of above-average storm activity.

Now is the time to start gathering supplies like batteries, flashlights, a first aid kit and enough food and water for each person in your family to last at least three days. Preparing your home and property for the arrival of severe weather is also important. Take time now before a storm is imminent to look for low hanging limbs or branches that may need to be removed from trees on your property.

In addition to home preparations for storms, it is important to know how to report outages. The City of Thomasville uses an outage management system that assists with monitoring and identifying outages in the electric system. The system uses a customer’s telephone number to identify the location of the caller. It is important to have customer’s correct phone number in the system. To verify your phone number, please call Customer Care at 229-227-7001.

To find out more about preparing for hurricane season and how to report utility outages during inclement weather, click here.

Make Sure You’re Household Is Counted In The 2020 Census

Make sure that everyone living in your home is counted! For the first time, you can fill out your form online at 2020Census.Gov, by phone at 844-330-2020 or by mail. It’s fast, easy and your privacy is protected by law.

Each Georgian equals approximately $2,300 in federal funding for services like health care, schools, child and adult food programs, educational grants, Medicare Part D, unemployment benefits and more for Thomasville and Thomas County. If everyone fills out their form and is counted, that equals about $102.2 million for our community! Please make sure to do your part.

To date, Thomas County has a 54.8% response rate. Make sure to fill out your form if you have not done so.

For more information or to fill out your form online, click here.
West Jackson Streetscape Project Recognized by the Georgia Chapter of the American Public Works Association

The City of Thomasville’s West Jackson Streetscape Project was recently recognized as the 2020 Small Cities/Rural Communities Award Winner for Historical Restoration/Preservation by the Georgia Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA). The Sixth Annual Chapter Awards program recognizes outstanding public works employees, individual groups and projects representing the best achievements in the public works profession for the State of Georgia.

The project was a part of The Creative District Vision Plan that was put in place in 2014 by Thomasville Main Street leadership, City Planning staff, Thomasville residents, and community partners and leaders. From the initial plan, three important projects were developed including The Ritz Amphitheater and Park, the Community Trail trail head and finally, the West Jackson Streetscape Project.

Click here to read more about the award and the West Jackson Streetscape Project.

Energy Savings Tip

Now that summer is here and the weather is starting to heat up, remember to keep your thermostat set at 78 degrees or higher in order to save energy. Saving Energy = Saving Money. Every degree of extra cooling will increase energy usage 6 to 8 percent.

Install a programmable thermostat to save up to 10% on cooling costs. The average price to purchase one is only $25.
Job Openings

We’re hiring!

- Information Technology Director
- Financial Accountant
- Assistant City Engineer
- Police Officer

Although hiring may be reduced for now, we encourage you to sign up for email alerts from Human Resources. When jobs are in an “active” status, you will get an email alert about open positions on our team.

Thank you for your interest in working with Team Thomasville.

Public Meetings & Events Calendar

City Council workshops and meetings have resumed meeting in-person. The meetings are open to the public. Citizens are encouraged to watch the live stream of meetings rather than attending in person.

Meetings of citizen boards will resume after Monday, July 13th. Meeting dates and locations will be announced on Thomasville.org when scheduled. A full meeting calendar can be viewed by clicking here.