SUMMARY OF THE THOMASVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023 AT 6:00 PM AT 20 STADIUM DRIVE, THOMASVILLE, NC.

Elected officials in attendance: Mayor Raleigh York, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tempore Hunter Thrift, and Council Members Ron Bratton, Doug Hunt, Wendy Sellars, Lisa Shell, and Payton Williams. Council Member Jeannette Shepherd had an excused absence.

## Call to Order – Mayor York called the meeting of the Thomasville City Council to order and welcomed everyone in person and online.

1. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda – No changes were requested.

Council Member Thrift moved to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

1. Recognitions and Presentations
   1. National Breast Cancer Awareness Month (October) – Presented by Council Member Sellars
   2. Domestic Violence Awareness Month (October) – Presented by Mayor Raleigh York, Jr.
2. Public Forum – No action was taken.
   1. Pastor Ellis McLendon spoke regarding the need for a homeless shelter with training programs and the need for sidewalks on Douglas Drive.
   2. Joe Gray spoke regarding the need for speed signs and maintenance of overgrowth in the Unity/East Sunrise area.
   3. Pastor Kevin Sellars spoke regarding the need for a homeless shelter with programs to help people get back on their feet.
3. Public Hearings
   1. Request for Rezoning: (Z-23-06)

Applicant/Owner: William & Martha Anderson

Location: Lambeth Rd.

Parcel Number: 16348C0000410

Existing Zoning: R-10 Low Density Residential

Proposed Zoning: C-2 Highway Commercial

Mayor York opened the public hearing. Applicant/Owner William Anderson asked Council to approve the rezoning so he and his wife could put a self-storage facility on the land. No one else came forward to speak for or against it. Mayor York closed the hearing.

Council Member Hunt moved to approve this rezoning. Mayor Pro Tem Thrift seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

* 1. Request for Rezoning (Z-23-07) Solar Farm at Baptist Children's Home Applicant: Kayla Marshall

Owner: Baptist Children’s Homes of North Carolina, Inc.~Sam Barefoot

Location: Farmview Road & Baptist Children’s Home Road

Parcel #s: 1633400000029, 16106000B0001, 1633800000007 & 1615800080001

Existing Zoning: R-10, R-8, M-2 Proposed Zoning: CZ-M-1

Conditional Use Permit: Solar Energy

Many people were sworn in for the quasi-judicial part of this public hearing and spoke in favor of and against this rezoning.

Mayor Pro Tem Thrift moved to approve the rezoning from R-10, R-8, M-2 to CZ-M-1. Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

Mayor Pro Tem Thrift moved to approve the conditional use of a solar farm with a wild life permeable fence and 5-year vesting period based on 160D-108.1(e)(2). Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

1. Consent Agenda – Assistant City Manager Bowling spoke briefly about each of these items:
   1. Consideration of Approval of Minutes – Briefing Meeting on 09/11/23
   2. Consideration of Approval of Minutes – Council Meeting on 09/18/23
   3. Consideration of ARPA Grant Project Ordinance
   4. Consideration of Grant Project Ordinance: Assistance to Firefighters Grant
   5. Consideration of Budget Amendment P4-01
   6. Consideration of Revised Grant Project Ordinance: Golden Leaf Project M – Nucor
   7. Consideration of Grant Project Ordinance: Governor’s Highway Safety Program
   8. Consideration of Resolution in Support of Operation Green Light

Council Member Sellars moved to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Shell seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

1. Regular Agenda
   1. Consideration of Amendments to City Ordinances Chapter 54, Article 1:

• Section 54-12. Soliciting and Begging

• Section 54-16. Camping on Public and Private Property

• Section 54-17. Urinating and Defecating on Public Property

Council Member Hunt moved to approve all these ordinances. Mayor Pro Tem Thriftseconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

B. Consideration of Replacement of Article II. Noise Ordinance

Mayor Pro Tem Thriftmoved to approve this ordinance. Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

1. Committee Reports and Appointments, Mayor’s Report and Appointments, City Manager’s Report, City Attorney’s Report – Reports were given. No action was taken.
2. Additional Items – N/A
3. Adjournment – Council Member Sellars moved to adjourn. Council Member Shell seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.