



CITY OF THOMASTON

TOWN HALL MEETING WITH MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

FEBRUARY 7, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.

CITY-COUNTY MEETING ROOM

THOMASTON-UPSON GOVERNMENT COMPLEX

Minutes

Attendance:

Mayor - John David "J.D." Stallings

Mayor Pro Tempore - Doug Head (At Large)

Councilmember – Jeff Middlebrooks (District 2)

Councilmember – Ryan Tucker (District 3)

Councilmember – Don Greathouse (District 4)

City Manager - Russell Thompson

City Attorney – DeAnn Wheeler

Police Chief – Mike Richardson (Arrived 6:12pm)

Executive Assistant to City Manager – Brooke Holley

Fun 101.1 Reporter – Dave Piper (Arrived at 6:04pm)

City Resident – Danny Hunter

City Clerk – Oasis Nichols

Office of the City Manager

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Mr. Thompson opened the meeting at 6:00pm and went over the changes made to the City Charter, a few including: changing plurality to majority to win a municipal election, reapportioning the elected officials zoning districts to make them more equal in size and population, the education and experience requirements for hiring a City Manager, and more. Mr. Danny Hunter spoke in support of the changes being made and stated that in his opinion these changes are more fair and beneficial for the residents in the community. Ms. Wheeler also spoke in regards to why some of the changes had been made and the research done prior to making these changes from other cities to submit to the General Assembly for approval. At this town hall meeting provided to the public was: large printed out maps showing the current and proposed City Council districts, public hearing procedures, copies of the town hall notice, copies of the current and proposed city charter, and an excel list of all addresses that changed City Council districts.

A first motion was made by Councilmember Greathouse (District 4), seconded by Councilmember Tucker (District 3). All voted yes to adjourn the meeting at 6:25pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Oasis Nichols, City Clerk

Approved as Written,

Mayor John David "J.D." Stallings

Office of the City Manager



SIGN IN SHEET

City Charter Amendment - Public Hearing 2/7/2023

Name	Phone	Address	Comments
Darryl Hunter	404 232-0586	282 Northridge Dr	
Charles Hunter	706 975 2541	811 Brookwood Pl.	
Jeff Middlebrooks	706-741-6239	436 N. Main St.	
JD Stallings	706-975-8704	147 S St NW	
Ryan Tucker	404-406-8679	123 Mill Race Rd.	
Doug Hean	706-656-2371	711 Greenwood RD	
DeAnn Wheeler	706-975-2399	700 Greenwood Rd.	
Russell T. G.	706 506 1770 706 975 885	✓	
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Thomaston will hold a public hearing to discuss changes to the City Charter and the manner in which the elected officials are elected. The specific provision to be discussed is election by plurality vote versus election by majority vote. The hearing will be February 7, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the city-county meeting room of the Thomaston-Upson Government Complex.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please call

706-647-4242 ext. 4.

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