



**TOWN OF THUNDERBOLT
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024
6:00 PM**

AGENDA HEARING

Public has five minutes per person to ask questions or comment on any agenda item.

REGULAR MEETING

1. **Call to order**
2. **Roll Call by Presiding Officer with Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approval of Meeting Agenda**
4. **Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting:**

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5. **Presentations:**

Proclamation: Women's History Month
Recognition of 4 Thunderbolt businesses

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6. **Finance Report:**

a) Report

7. **Consent Agenda:**

a) Consideration to Approve Maggioni Combination of Lots
Staff and P&Z Commission recommend approval

8. **Discussion Agenda:**

9. **Department Report – Written Reports Submitted**

by: **Police / Municipal Court / Neighborhood Watch – Sean Clayton, Chief of Police**
Fire – Andrew Bateman, Fire Chief

**Public Works Department – Oscar Crosby, Public Works Manager
Town Clerk – Matthew Walker, Town Clerk**

10. Town Administrator Report: Bob Milie, Town Administrator

11. Legal Report

12. Mayor and Council

13. Thunderbolt Museum

14. Executive Session- Mayor requests a motion and a second to recess into executive session for the purpose of Legal, Real Estate and/or Personnel matters

15. Adjournment:



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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024
6:00 PM**

AGENDA HEARING

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Mayor Williams opened the public hearing up at 6 pm.**

Town Administrator Milie discussed the work being done at Nellie Johnson Memorial Park. He explained the plan and progress regarding bushes and trees is to start with a blank slate to build upon. He stated public input is still needed for ideas moving forward. He wishes the park ideology to reflect the Town's beliefs, needs, etc. He would like to see upgraded safety, new equipment, and a more welcoming and accommodating park for residents to enjoy. Mayor Williams added the Town is still in the planning process and input is still being taken and is much needed.

Bob Greenberg, new resident, asked about community group meetings for improvement. He was directed to the Thunderbolt Community Improvement Association.

Katherine Clemens, 3224 Cedar St. – Ms. Clemens stated Nellie Johnson Memorial Park is named after her great-great grandmother. She has been waiting forever for improvements to be made at the park. She applauds the Town for doing the work and is appalled at the negative Facebook comments others are making regarding the work.

Beth Goette, 3006 Leonard St. – Stated there was an error on the website and an error on the agenda date listed. Town Clerk Walker thanked her for the information.

Sue DeRosa, 3215 Bannon Dr., stated her concerns with planting native plants at the park. Those plants are hard to find locally. She recommends doing more research for plant choices. She also suggested alternative irrigation methods, including collection of rainwater for irrigation purposes.

Meredith Allen, 3220 Falligant Ave., stated public outreach is necessary. The removal of bushes and plants without community involvement upset her. She says it shows a lack of community. She feels a better approach is needed, possibly surveying the community. She suggested setting up a process to get input without making residents go out of their way to participate.

Town Administrator Milie asked to speak with Ms. Allen individually to get her input.

Mayor Williams closed the public comment at 6:38 pm.

REGULAR MEETING

1. **Call to order** - Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 6:43 pm.

2. Roll Call by Presiding Officer with Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

In Attendance is Mayor Dana Williams and Council Members: David Crenshaw, Larry Ward, Edward Drohan, James Lavin, Bethany Skipper-Greer, and Brooks Barbaree. Staff in attendance: Town Administrator, Bob Milie; Police Chief Sean Clayton, Public Works Manager, Oscar Crosby; Town Attorney, Charlie Barrow; Accounts Payable/Utilities Manager; Katina Spaulding; Town Clerk/Zoning Administrator, Matthew Walker.

Not in attendance Fire Chief Andrew Bateman.

3. Approval of Amended Meeting Agenda (correcting the date in the agenda header and adding Roger Moss Presentation)

Mayor Williams asked for a motion to approve the amended agenda. **Council Member Crenshaw made the motion to approve with a second by Council Member Ward. The motion passed unanimously.**

4. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Minutes of January 10, 2024

Mayor Williams asked for a motion to approve the meeting minutes of January 10, 2024. **Council Member Ward made the motion to approve with meeting minutes January 10, 2024. Council Member Crenshaw provided the second. The motions passed unanimously.**

5. Presentation:

- a) Roger Moss, SCCPSS Board President – Mr. Moss discussed the state of Savannah-Chatham County Schools. He stated the school board has revamped the reading programs for schools and are going back to a phonics approach. He stated the purpose of education is to give children choice-filled lives. He is excited for the changes and the growth of the school system.
- b) Mayor Williams read the Black History Month proclamation. Mayor Williams presented the proclamations to Roger Moss, Ms. Clemens, Ms. Hayes, and Ms. Dickerson.
- c) Mayor Williams read the Officer Benjamin Green Day Proclamation. Mayor Williams presented copies to Ms. Clemens, Ms. Dickerson, and Ms. Duncan-Norman. Officer Green was not in attendance.
- d) Mayor Williams read the “Know Local-Go Local” business spotlight for March 2024. The business being recognized in March are: Michael Gaster & Associates, Chiriya & Son, Keith Ray Construction, and Dogtopia of Thunderbolt.

6. Finance Report:

Shannon Brett, Holland, Bromley, Barnhill & Brett, discussed the Town’s Finance Report.

7. Consent Agenda:

- a) Consideration to Approve Emily McCarthy, LLC Alcohol License
- b) Consideration to Approve CEMA Intergovernmental Agreement

A motion was made by Council Member Ward to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Crenshaw provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Discussion Agenda:

- a) Simply Savannah Marketing Contract

Council Member Ward made a motion to approve with a second by Council Member Crenshaw. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Department Report – Written Reports Submitted

by: Police / Municipal Court / Neighborhood Watch – Sean Clayton, Chief of Police
Chief Clayton had nothing further to add.

Fire – Fire Chief, Andrew Bateman
Chief Bateman was not in attendance.

Public Works Department – Oscar Crosby, Public Works Manager
Public Works Director Crosby had nothing further to add to his report.

Town Clerk – Matthew Walker, Town Clerk
Clerk Walker had nothing further to add to his report.

10. Town Administrator Report: Town Administrator, Bob Milie

Town Administrator Milie went over some highlights from his report. He also discussed roads, parks, water billing, and signage.

11. Legal Report – Town Attorney, Charlie Barrow

Nothing to report or discuss

12. Mayor and Council –

Council Member Ward discussed his desire for volunteers to assist with the River Drive Marsh Cleanup efforts with dates TBD. He is requesting April 6, 2024 to be the date.

13. Thunderbolt Museum

Anna Maria Thomas stated the Oyster Roast event was a huge success. She thanked Dwight and Erica Davis, the Town of Thunderbolt Fire Department, and the many others who assisted in making the event such a great time.

14. Executive Session-

Council Member Ward made a motion at 7:46 pm to leave regular session to enter executive session to discuss Personnel, Property, or Litigation. Council Member Crenshaw seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Crenshaw made a motion at 8:03 pm to leave executive session to return to regular session. Council Member Drohan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Williams asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Council Member Crenshaw made the motion with a second from Council Member Ward. The motion passed unanimously.**

15. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm.



**BY THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF THUNDERBOLT
A PROCLAMATION
“WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH”**

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background have made historic contributions to the growth and strength of our Nation in countless recorded and unrecorded ways;

WHEREAS, American women have played and continue to play critical economic, cultural, and social role in every sphere of the life of the Nation by constituting a significant portion of the labor force working inside and outside of the home;

WHEREAS, American women have played a unique role throughout the history of the Nation by providing the majority of the volunteer labor force of the Nation;

WHEREAS, American women were particularly important in the establishment of early charitable, philanthropic, and cultural institutions in our Nation;

WHEREAS, American women of every race, class, and ethnic background served as early leaders in the forefront of every major progressive social change movement;

WHEREAS, American women have served our country courageously in the military;

WHEREAS, American women have been leaders, not only in securing their own rights of suffrage and equal opportunity, but also in the abolitionist movement, the emancipation movement, the industrial labor movement, the civil rights movement, and other movements, especially the peace movement, which create a more fair and just society for all; and

WHEREAS, despite these contributions, the role of American women in history has been consistently overlooked and undervalued, in the literature, teaching and study of American history:

NOW, THEREFORE I, Dana Williams, Mayor of the Town of Thunderbolt do hereby proclaim March 2024 as “WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH” in the Town of Thunderbolt to encourage activities in honor of the contributions of women across the globe.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of
Thunderbolt to be affixed this **6th day of**
March 2024.

Mayor Dana Williams Town of Thunderbolt

Mayor's "Know Local- Go Local" Initiative

Thunderbolt Businesses

Spotlight Recognition

For April 2024

WHEREAS, The Mayor's "Know Local-Go Local" Business Spotlight Program was created in order to recognize and showcase local area businesses that are vital to the Town's identity, one of small-Town charm, and local business that serve and support families in our community.

This recognition program is exclusive to none, for we all stand to benefit as a community via prosperity of our Town's businesses. Through this program, members of the community are exposed to a variety of businesses that have displayed their desire to be excellent stewards of not only their business, but of the community as a whole, ensured to support diversity in their workplace, and a desire to continue to do the excellent work, service, or craft they perform.

It is with the forementioned values at the ready, I Mayor Dana Williams proudly recognize and encourage all our citizens and visitors to visit these establishments, learn about them, view their websites, social media, and ultimately support these and all local businesses.

Hereby the following is recognized as the Thunderbolt Business Spotlight of the week...

The week of April 3rd, 2024 - "Know Local- Go Local" Spotlight is...

Herrington Tree Service – Professional Tree Care & Removal

The week of April 10th, 2024 - "Know Local- Go Local" Spotlight is...

Desposito's – Southern Style Seafood Restaurant

The week of April 17th, 2024 - "Know Local-Go Local" Spotlight is...

Coastal River Charters - Inshore Fishing & Sightseeing Company

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Finance Report Placeholder

**PLANNING AND ZONING
LAND USE REVIEW
Town of Thunderbolt**

APPLICATION TYPE: Subdivision - Combination

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION DATE: 2-21-2024

NOTICE TO PAPER: 2-1-2024

PUBLISH DATE(s): 2-4-2024; 2-6-2024

Request: Request to combine 2 contiguous lots located on Bonaventure Road, Thunderbolt, GA into 1 lot parcel.

Owners/Applicants: Craig Maggioni

Location: 120-124 Bonaventure Road

Parcel ID#: 30002 06012 & 30002 06013

Zoning Designation: Residential District One [R-1]; Conservation Marsh [C-M]

Approximate Lot Size(s): *Existing Lot 12: 2.44 ac.*
Existing Lot 13: 2.88 ac.
Proposed Lot: 5.32 ac.

FINDINGS:

1. This combination (resubdivision) request aims to combine (2) two separate lots into (1) lot parcel of record.
2. Staff has reviewed this application for compliance with the Thunderbolt Code of Ordinances [the Code] and finds that the proposed lot is acceptable with respect to lot width. The proposed lot also meets the minimum required lot area for this zoning district.
3. Upon review, Staff finds that this request can enable further use of the property in a practicable manner given the existing configuration and ownership of the site.
4. Planning Commission review and Council approval is required because this request involves a modification to land in the recombination of lots.
5. It is the duty of the Planning and Zoning Commission to inspect site plans and to suggest changes which should be made in the proposed design of the plan as per Code Sec. 15-801 and forward to Town Council with the recommendations.

PLANNING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION

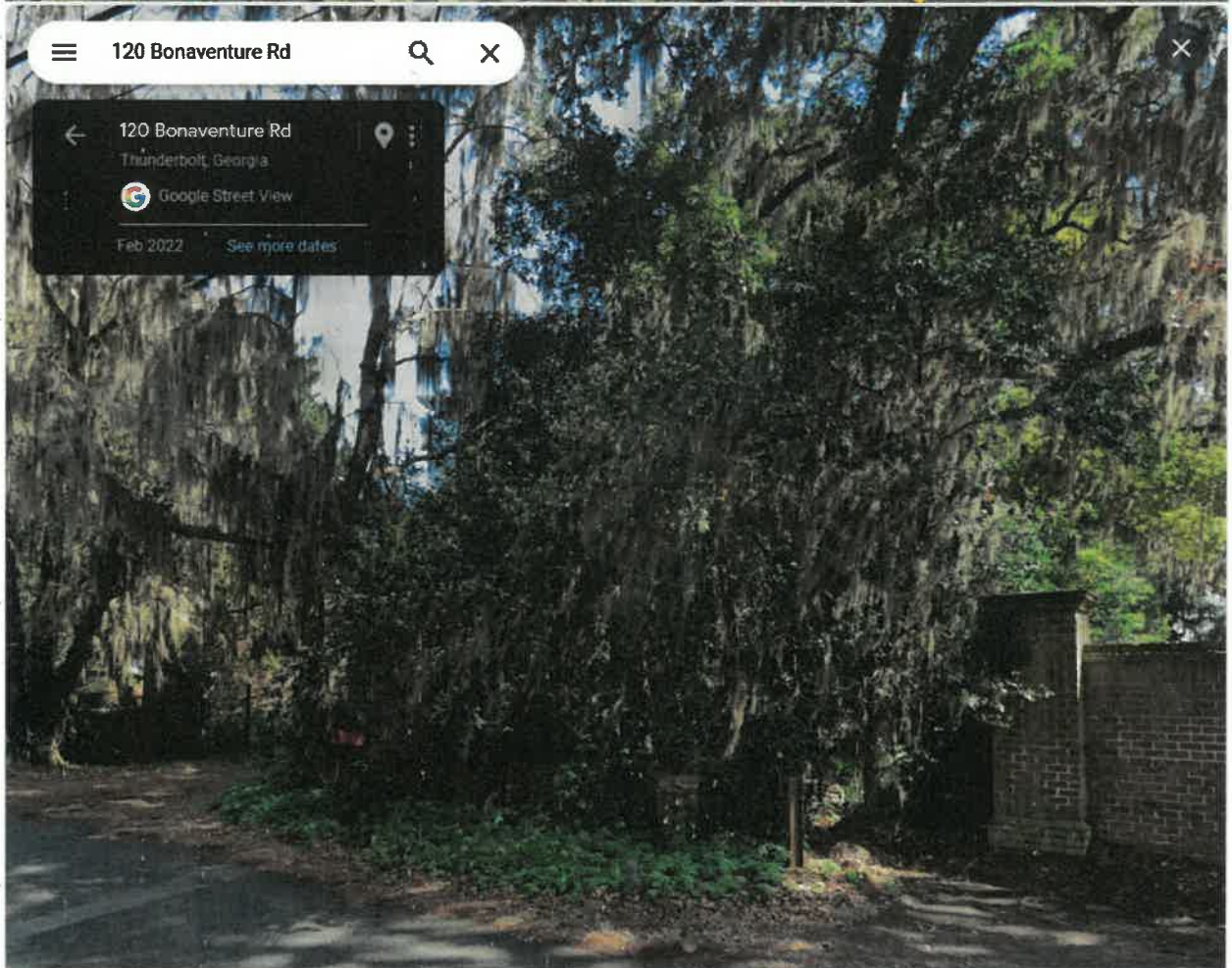
Town Staff recommend **APPROVAL** of this subdivision combination.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends **APPROVAL** of this subdivision combination.

EXHIBITS:

Application Request





**TOWN OF THUNDERBOLT
PLANNING & ZONING APPLICATION
RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL**

Date Filed 22 Jan 2024 Application # _____ Residential: X Commercial: _____

Application Fees: \$100.00 – Residential \$200.00 – Commercial

Fee must be paid at the time of submitting the application and is non-refundable, even if Applicant decides to redraw their application before or after the application process.

The original plus nine copies of this application shall be submitted. The building permit application and nine copies of the plot plan and development plans of the site, if required for the building permit application, shall accompany this application.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Applicant's Name: Craig Maggioni Phone # 912-604-1292

Applicant's Address: 120 Bonaventure Rd Thunderbolt, GA 31404

120 & 124 Bonaventure Rd. Thunderbolt, Ga 31404 30002 06013 & 30002 06012
Property Address Parcel Number

Owner's Name & Address Craig Maggioni 120 Bonaventure Rd. Thunderbolt, GA 31404

Zoning District R-1 Current Use of Property Single Family Residential

Proposed Use of Property No Change

REASONS FOR APPLICATION

1. ☐ A decision of the Zoning Administrator which the applicant believes to be contrary to the meaning of the Zoning Ordinance.
2. ☐ An application to establish a use which must be approved by the Planning Board
(See "Use Schedule – List of Uses #).
3. ☐ A request for a variance ☐ a yard requirement; ☐ a lot width requirement;
☐ a lot area requirement. Note: Variances are heard and approved on a case by case basis;
when resulting in practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship. Code of Ordinances 16.6c
4. ☐ A request for extension of non-conforming use.
5. ☐ Rezoning request from _____ classification to a _____ classification
6. ☒ Other Combination of lots
Describe those things which you feel justify the action requested. List when necessary the specific Sections of the Zoning Ordinance which have a bearing on your request.
(Use back of this sheet if necessary.)

Combine 120 & 124 Bonaventure Road

OTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED

Refer to Article XV, Zoning Ordinance

Attach, hereto, a scaled or dimensioned map, plat, or sketch of tract, of property in question and all other adjoining lots or properties under the same ownership. Said map, plat, or sketch shall indicate the approximate location of all the properties in question with respect to the nearby public roads in common use.

Date Received: 1/22/24 Zoning Administrator: Matthew Walker

Name and Address of Contractor(s) N/A

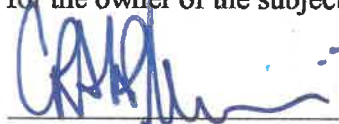
The following is a list of the names and addresses of all adjacent property owners within approximately a two-hundred (200) foot radius of the property:

See Attached

(Please list additional names on a separate sheet)

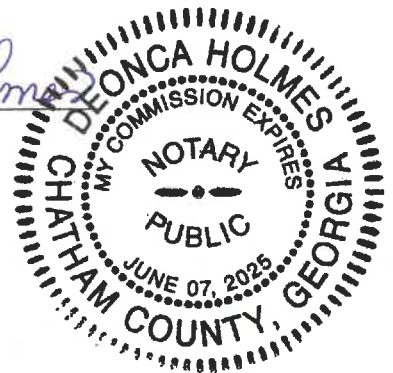
I hereby certify that the above stated facts are True to the best of my knowledge and belief And that I am the owner or authorized agent for the owner of the subject property.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 22nd day of January 2024


Owner or Authorized Agent's Signature


Notary Public

Fee received and paid: \$100.00

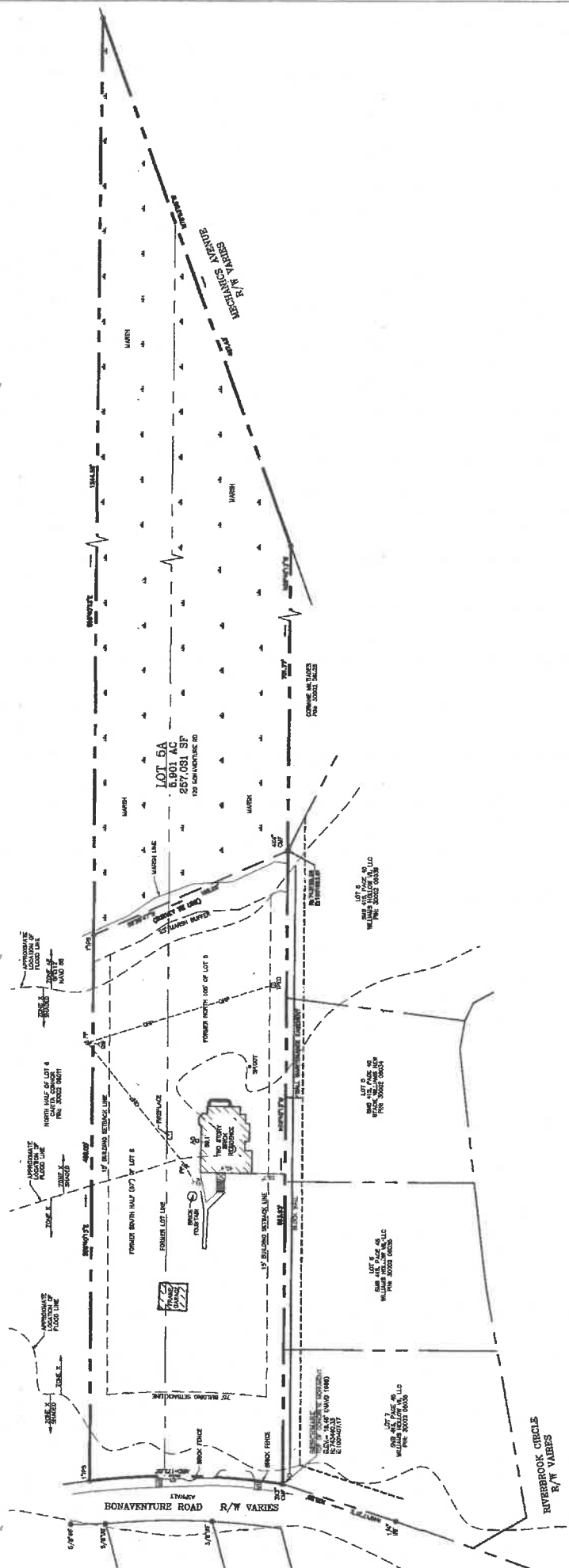


STATUS

Notice of hearing sent: 1/31/24
Date

Sign Posted: _____
Date Address

Published Advertisement: 1/31/24
Date



LOT 6A, MERCHANTS & MECHANICS SUBDIVISION NO. 6
BEING A RECONVECTION OF THE NORTH 105' OF LOT 5
AND THE SOUTH HALF (67') OF LOT 6

5TH G.M. DISTRICT, THUNDERBOLT,
THATHAM COUNTY, GEORGIA

Vincent Helmi
120-A BURTON ROAD
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA 31405
(912) 429-5305
FIELD SURVEY DATE : 12/20/2003
DATE : 12/29/2003 JOB No. 23-75

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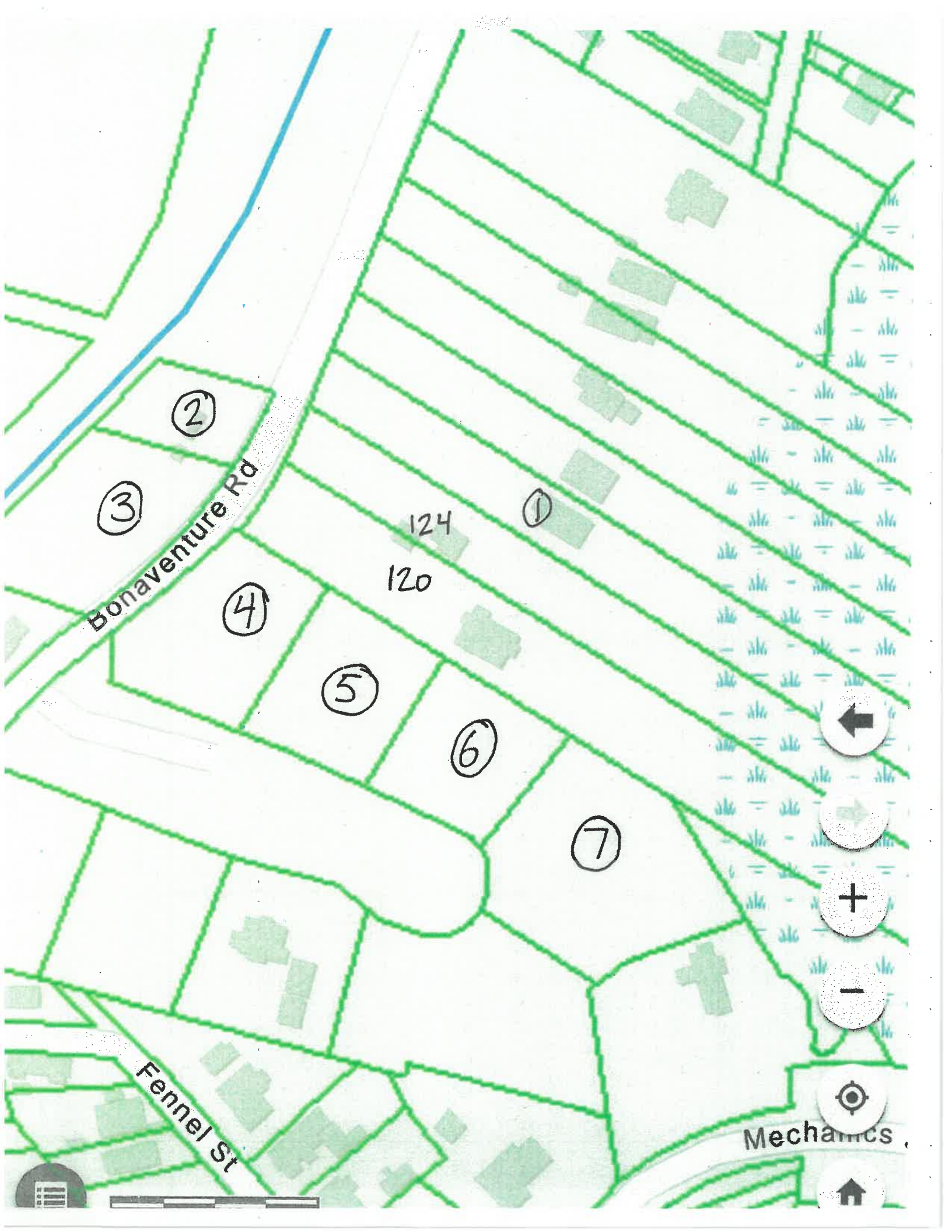
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B	FF-NEW NO FUND
C	FF-FF NEW AFF NET
	OF-CLY INC
	FF-POWER POLE
	OF-CHARGE POWER LINE
	MB-MAINT
	WFO-TRANSFORMER FUND

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NOTES

1. *See* *supra* note 1, at 100.

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Bonaventure Rd

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124

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Fennel St



Mechanics



Neighbors of 120/124 Bonaventure Rd.

Number	Name	Address
1	Menzanna Blakley	200 Bonaventure Rd. Thunderbolt, GA 31404
2	Gordon Perry	119 Bonaventure Rd. Thunderbolt, GA 31404
3	Chad Dollander	107 Bonaventure Rd. Thunderbolt, GA 31404
4	Hollow Williams VII, LLC.	120 Commerce Ct. Pooler, GA 31322
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6	Stacie Williams	112 Riverbrook Circle Thunderbolt, GA 31404
7	Hollow Williams VII, LLC.	120 Commerce Ct. Pooler, GA 31322

Department Reports Placeholder

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