# Town of Windsor

#### Memorandum

February 9, 2021

TO:

The Honorable Mayor and Town Council

FROM:

William G. Saunders, IV, Town Manager WGS W

**SUBJECT:** 

Confederate Monument Relocation to Windsor Town Cemetery

### Background

As you are aware, Isle of Wight County has been exploring options in regard to the controversial Confederate Monument on the courthouse grounds; the first option being relocation, the second being contextualization in place. A task force was assembled to look into these options, whose top option was the relocation of the monument to the Windsor Town Cemetery, out of seven relocation areas that they identified. Subsequently, the Isle of Wight County Board of Supervisors has reached out to the Town of Windsor to determine if they would accommodate such a relocation.

## **Specifics**

Obviously, there are a number of issues to be considered by the Town Council in regard to a decision such as the acceptance of the monument into a publicly-owned cemetery.

At Town Council's January 12, 2021 meeting, consideration was given to how informed the citizenry is about the issue and how feedback on the issue could be garnered appropriately during a pandemic.

A motion was made and passed to provide information to the citizens and to survey the citizens on the issue. The vehicle by which this information and/or survey was to go out was to be included in the water bills. It has since come to staff's attention that numerous subdivisions have master water meters resulting in the inhabitants not receiving individual water bills. If it is Council's desire to distribute hard copies of these items via the US Mail, it may be preferable to have it in the form of bulk mail processed by Town staff, rather than in the water bills.

## **Recommended Action**

For your consideration