



# CITY OF SMYRNA

## STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



## COURT SERVICES

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Thursday, February 3, 2022**  
**Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
**City Hall - HR Training Room**



**Cases on 2 Calendars: 235**  
**Failure to Appear: 55**  
**Pre-trials Conducted: 48**  
**DUI's Completed: 8**  
**Resets: 113**

# PUBLIC WORKS

**Sewer Model:** The City received a sewer model showing areas with insufficient sewer capacity in Ward 3. The sewer department is inspecting the areas and clearing any blockages.

**Sewer Project:** Sewer project for CCTV and cleaning has begun in Ward 4. Federal EC will be performing the work for City of Smyrna. This project will help insure the life span of the current sewer system.

**Valve Maintenance:** Conducting preventative valve maintenance in Ward 5. This preventative maintenance will extend the lifecycle of the City's Infrastructure. As well, we are installing new valves on bank street to help reduce outages in the future. The City of Smyrna is starting to enter into the lead and copper testing required by the state.

**San Fernando Water Line Project:** Work will start on the project on the 31st. We have held a preconstruction meeting, located existing utilities, and mobilized contractors.

**Street Department:** The department is doing a small curb and gutter replacement job on Dogwood Circle to help with drainage.

**Resurfacing:** Public Works is continuing its annual resurfacing contract (87% complete). The roads being resurfaced this year are Campbell Road, Hawthorne Avenue, Camp Highland Road, and North Cooper Lake Road. North Cooper Lake Road is 95% complete with new asphalt.



## **SPLOST-Windy Hill**

**Boulevard:** Installing last lift of GAB to get ready for paving on the southern side of Windy Hill. Anticipated to pave the southern side of Windy Hill mid to late February and get ready to transition traffic back to the southern side of Windy Hill. Still working to coordinate with Atlanta Gas Light to suspend 6-inch gas main at culvert near post office.

# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Community Cleanups:** Jan 27th, Feb 9th & Feb 25th
- **Document Shredding:** March 12th
- **Smyrna Art and Garden Tour:** April 30th



**Adopt-a-Mile:** This past weekend, 80+ Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers participate in Adopt-a-Mile on a dozen roadways across Smyrna. Volunteers picked up more than 700 pounds of trash! Because of the (very!) cold weather, several Adopt-a-Mile groups postponed and will be out and about over the next few weeks.

**Recycling Center Tour:** On Friday, January 21, 7 residents toured the Smyrna Recycling Center during the monthly tour, which takes at 9:00 am on the third Friday of every month. Tour participants had a chance to ask questions, learn about where their recycling goes after the center, and discover tips about how to make sure their materials are being recycled properly.



# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

## Visitors

- Library Visitors: 2149
- Museum Visitors: 5



## Great news for Family History Buffs!

Smyrna Public Library is now a FamilySearch Affiliate Library, which means it has access to more genealogy resources to help you make family discoveries. The designation means local library patrons now have greater and more convenient access to a wealth of genealogical resources. FamilySearch is a popular web service that has over 6 billion searchable names and 2 billion images of historical genealogical records.

FamilySearch adds over 300 million free genealogical records and images online yearly from all over the world and manages the famous Family History Library in Salt Lake City. It has amassed billions of birth, marriage, death, census, land and court records from more than 130 countries to help you discover and make family connections.

Anyone may access the public version of FamilySearch on the web at [familysearch.org](http://familysearch.org). To view even more records, visit Smyrna Public Library and ask to use the Genealogy Workstation. You may also access Ancestry.com, MyHeritage, and HeritageQuest databases at this workstation.

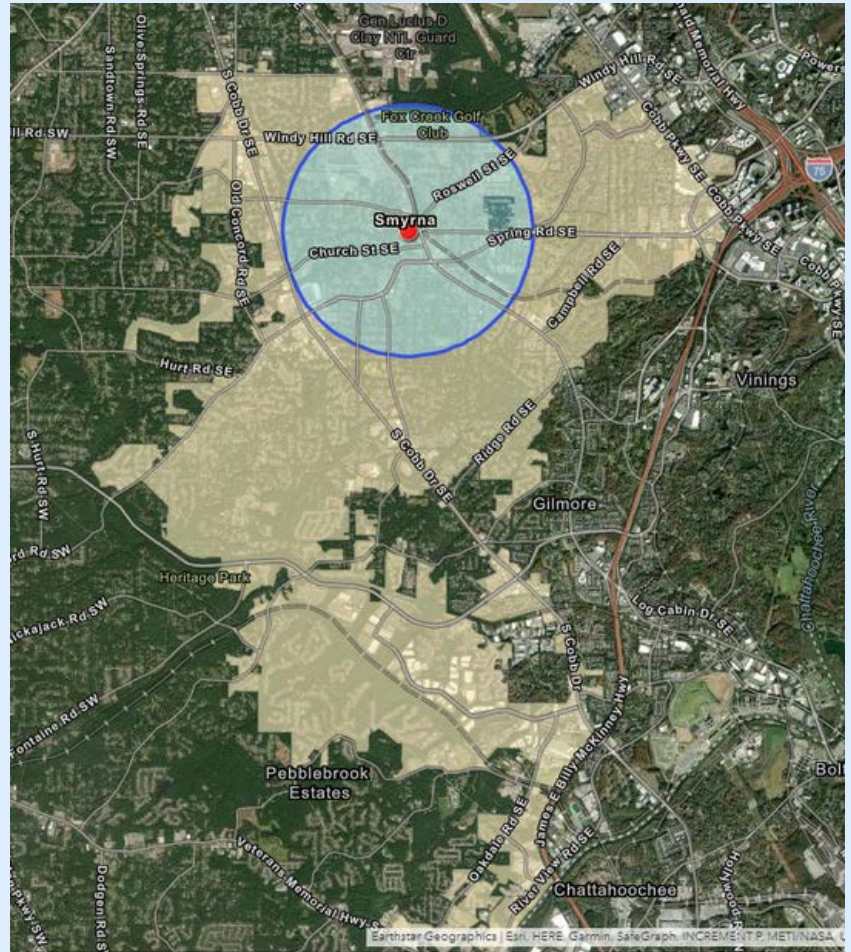


**Smyrna Teens are for the birds:** In their monthly "Crafts for a Cause" program, Smyrna Library teens made biodegradable bird feeders to help out our winter feathered friends. This program was underwritten by Keep Smyrna Beautiful. Thank you, KSB!

# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

**Now Open:** The Smyrna Museum is now open again after our construction work and we had 5 visitors last week.

**Newspaper Excerpts:** Since 2022 marks the 150th year of Smyrna's incorporation, the museum will publish excerpts from the earliest newspaper accounts of the city that can be found for each month. This month's post comes from *The Marietta Journal* for January 22, 1885. Local correspondents in each town would report weekly anecdotes and news to the regional paper in Marietta.



## SMYRNA.

- The cold wave reaches even to Smyrna.
- Some of the citizens of this vicinity speak of organizing an agricultural club – why not?
- The Methodist Sunday School was reorganized last Sunday. A Union Sunday school was organized at the Presbyterian church at this place.
- Dr. Tom McKown, of Jonesboro, visited our town last Saturday and returned home Monday.
- Smyrna has a new store. The firm name is Turner & Co. Our fellow townsman, T.P. Whitfield, is the gentleman behind the counter.
- Mr. Wesley Hendricks, of our vicinity, is growing fruit trees for market, and has some very choice apple and pear trees.
- Mr. Judson Eubanks, who has for several years been in mercantile business in Atlanta, has turned farmer. We extend to him the right hand of fellowship.
- Uno.

In 1885, Smyrna city limits (which comprised a mile in each direction from the area that is now Market Village; pictured above) held a population of around **260** people.

# PARKS AND RECREATION

**Daddy Daughter Dance:** Every little girl is a princess in her daddy's eye. Spend an evening celebrating your princess at our annual Daddy Daughter Dance. This year's theme is: *An Enchanting Evening: Every Princesses Dream!* Guests will dance the night away to age-appropriate music, photo ops to remember the special evening, crafts, snacks and more.

Date: Friday, February 11, 2022

Time: 6:00 – 9:00 pm

Ages: up to 12 years

Location: Smyrna Community Center

Fee: \$50 (residents) / \$60 (nonresidents)

- Register by January 20, 2022 and save \$20 on registration
- Additional daughters: \$15 each
- When registering, you will register the daughter(s) – adult males do not need to be registered.



**Mother Son Nerf Wars:** Ready, aim, fire! A Mother and Son event you won't want to miss! Join us for an evening of Nerf Wars, games, activities, and snacks. Bring your own (single shot) Nerf guns. Darts and safety glasses will be provided to all. We will have skills challenges, obstacle courses, and more.

Date: Friday, March 18, 2022

Time: 6:00 – 9:00 pm

Ages: 5 yrs – 12 yrs.

Location: Smyrna Community Center

Fee: \$50 (residents) / \$60 (nonresidents)

- Register by February 20, 2022 and save \$20 on registration
- Additional sons: \$15 each
- When registering, you will register the son(s) – adult females do not need to be registered.

# PARKS AND RECREATION



**Wolfe Center:** The Wolfe Center will host AARP Tax Aide beginning February 2. They will be at the senior center every Wednesday through April 13, 2022.

**Activities:** For the week of January 17 thru January 23 Parks & Recreation managed 26 rentals in various locations for events. The rentals generated a revenue of approximately \$10,000

**Maintenance:** Parks Maintenance crews are working on fields and surrounding areas getting them ready for Spring League play that begins February 1.

**Restroom and Water Fountain Closures:** As a reminder, some restrooms and water fountains throughout the parks system remain closed for the winter months to prevent rupturing of pipes and fixtures.

**The Community Center fitness area** is open for individuals that would like to work out, but avoid the cold. The fitness area is open Monday – Saturday, 8:00 am – 10:00 pm and Sunday, 10:00 am – 7:00 pm. Members have access to equipment including treadmills, ellipticals, a cardio bike and assisted weight-lifting machines. For the walkers, the indoor track is a warm place to work in a mile in only sixteen short laps around. Currently, the fitness area is free to City employees.

**Spring League Play for Adults:** Registration is open now and will close Friday, February 25 for the Spring sports leagues. Join the fun this Spring while playing softball, soccer or basketball with your peers or new group of friends you'll make along the way. Great opportunity to gather a team from your office or church and enjoy some friendly competition with others. This year “free agents” will be able to register. Participants who register individually will first be combined to form a new team (if enough individual participants exist). If there are not enough participants to form a new team, players will then be paired with existing teams who are looking to add more players to their roster, in the order they registered. In the event we are unable to pair individual participants with an existing team, or if there are not enough teams to fill the league, all individuals will be refunded in full.

**Adult Softball (Tolleson Park)**

March 7 - May 30  
 \$455/Team  
 \$50/Free Agent  
 Monday (Co-ed)  
 Tuesday (Men's Social)  
 Thursday (Men's Competitive)

**Adult Soccer (Tolleson Park)**

March 8 - May 10  
 \$600/Team  
 \$75/Free Agent  
 Tuesday (Co-ed)  
 Thursday (Men's)

**Adult Basketball (Community Center)**

March 3 - May 12  
 \$420/Team  
 \$40/Free Agent  
 Thursday (Men's)

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 2  
 Medical: 71  
 Other: 71  
 Total Incidents: 144



**Kelly Bastis and Tawanna Thomas:** The Smyrna Fire Department is excited to have Kelly Bastis, Administrative Services Coordinator, and Tawanna Thomas, Administrative Assistant, join our Team! Both come to us highly qualified and eager to get to work. Welcome!



**YARD Day 1:** The construction of the first Smyrna Training Ground has been underway since mid-2021. On Saturday, Jan. 22, 2022, Smyrna Fire Department crew members headed to "The YARD" to get some needed projects started and finished.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT



## Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 48  
 Citations: 186  
 Warnings: 108  
 Calls for Service: 792



# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



## Weekly Inspections

213 Inspections

133 Sites

## Total Estimated Cost of Construction

\$1,221,348

## Building New/Residential (1)

(1) Single-family detached - 341 Mockingbird Ln

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$375,000**

## Building Remodel/Residential (15)

(1) Accessory, (1) Addition, (1) Demo, (4) Interior, (2) Pool, (5) Re-roof,

(1) Retaining Wall

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$459,078**

## Building Remodel/Commercial (3)

(2) Remodel - Growing with Grace Tutoring (3209 S Cobb Dr, Ste F-6), Wyndcliff Galleria (2350 Cobb Pkwy, Bldg 6)

(1) Cell Tower Modification - Dish Wireless (3380 S Cobb Dr)

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$54,000**

## Grading (1)

(1) Residential Land Disturbance

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$333,270**

**Electrical (1)**

**HVAC (10)**

**Plumbing (3)**

**Signs (2)**

## New Businesses

**PA PA ROY'S LOUISIANA KITCHEN**

Fast Casual Restaurants

2517 Spring Rd SE, Ste 106

Ward 1

**THE SACRED TRANSITION**

Other Individual and Family Services

Home Business

Ward 1

**SAT FOOD SAFETY CONSULTING**

Professional and Management Development Training

Home Business

Ward 2

**RELENTLESS REALTY ADVISORS, LLC**

Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers

Home Business

Ward 6

**BAC HAIR**

Beauty Salons

3040 Highlands Pkwy SE, Ste G

Ward 7

**HILYNNHAIR LLC**

Beauty Salons

3040 Highlands Pkwy SE, Ste G

Ward 7

# HUMAN RESOURCES



**Human Resources is now available to serve you beginning at 7:00 a.m.!**

Please reach out to Audrey (x5300) and Victoria (x5331) for service before 8:00 a.m.

## Welcome to Smyrna!



**Jacoby Gray**  
Public Works  
Crew Worker  
Hire Date: 1/13/22



**Kelly Bastis**  
Fire Department  
Administrative Services  
Coordinator  
Hire Date: 1/24/22



**Kathryn Smith**  
SPD  
Detention Officer  
Hire Date: 1/24/22