



# CITY OF SMYRNA

## STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



### UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Monday, February 7, 2022**

Pre-Council Meeting

6:30 p.m.

City Hall - Admin Conference Room

**Monday, February 7, 2022**

City Council Meeting

7:00 p.m.

City Hall - Council Chambers

**Wednesday, February 9, 2022**

License and Variance Board

10:00 a.m.

City Hall - Council Chambers

### COURT SERVICES



**COURT 1/25 AND 1/27 STATS**

Cases on 3 Calendars: 248

Failure to Appear: 42

Resets: 72

Pre-trials Conducted: 33

DUI's Resolved: 6

# ADMINISTRATION



**Smyrna Youth Council:** The Smyrna Youth Council is meeting regularly to learn about city operations and propose community projects. Mayor Norton visited on December 16th for a one-on-one discussion on his experience as an elected official. On January 27th, the SYC met Lt. Louis Defense at the Police Department for a tour and discussion on operations. Thank you to our guest speakers!

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

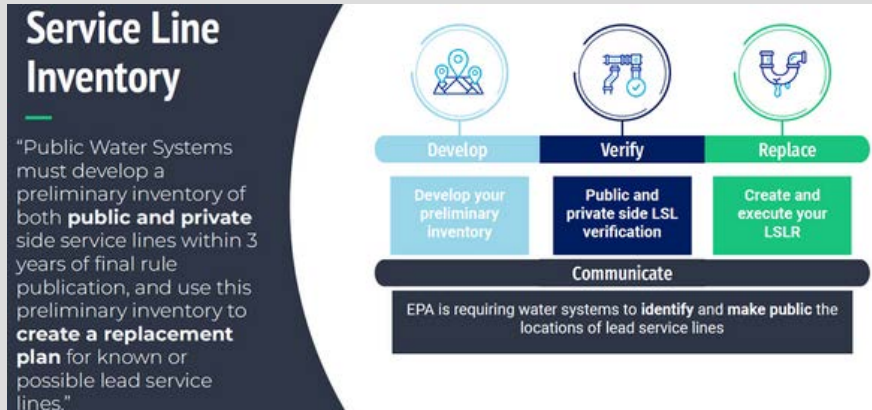


## Welcome Back Chris!

IT Director Chris Addicks has returned to work after extended leave. Be sure to say hello!

# PUBLIC WORKS

**Service Line Inventory:** Kick off to the lead and copper inventory has started this month with finalization of maps and staff strategizing on the next steps to testing and verification.



**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.

**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. Contractor is boring driveways this week along with long side service bores.

**Street Department:** Currently widening the turning lane on Highland Parkway for the Oakdale roadway project to help the traffic congestion at this intersection.

**Resurfacing:** Continued annual resurfacing. The roads being resurfaced this year are Campbell Road, Hawthorne Avenue, Camp Highland Road, and North Cooper Lake Road. Wynridge Rd. Striping of center lanes and fog lines to fully complete the project.

**SPLOST-Windy Hill Boulevard:** Installing last lift of GAB to get ready for paving on the southern side of Windy Hill. Install stormwater catch basins at Ventura. Coordinate with Atlanta Gas Light to suspend 6-inch gas main at culvert near post office.

**Building and Grounds:** Completed Wolfe Center Pool resurfacing to ensure the safety and durability of walkable surface (pictured below).



# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Community Cleanups:** Feb 9th & Feb 25th
- **Storm Drain Marking:** February 14th
- **Document Shredding:** March 12th
- **Smyrna Art and Garden Tour:** April 30th

**Community Cleanup:** On January 27, Keep Smyrna Beautiful Community Cleanup volunteers picked up 84 pounds of trash, including 22 pounds of recycling at the corner of S. Cobb and Cumberland Pkwy. On January 30, an independent group (the Killimett and Gala families) picked up four bags of trash totaling about 60 pounds on Benson Poole Rd.



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### LOGO CHOSEN FOR SMYRNA ART AND GARDEN TOUR

When Keep Smyrna Beautiful and the Smyrna Arts Council decided to join forces for the Smyrna Art and Garden Tour in honor of Smyrna's 150th birthday this year, they knew they needed a "look" for the event that would bring their two organizations together. In fall 2021, they issued a call for submissions with a \$250 stipend in store for the winning design.

Much to the surprise of Campbell High School 10th grader Coralie Hilaire, they chose her design for the event logo.

"I didn't even know there was money involved!" she says. "I was just doing it because I thought it would be fun." Hilaire's design features a palette of bright colors representative of the Smyrna Art Council while cleverly including Keep Smyrna Beautiful signature jonquil flower as a paintbrush.

"It was a challenge," Hilaire admits, "but I really wanted to capture the essence of both Keep Smyrna Beautiful and the Smyrna Arts Council." Self-taught in design, Hilaire has been interested in digital art since she can remember and plans to pursue a career in animation.

Pictured: Coralie Hilaire

**CHS Student Logo Featured in The Bright Side:** We were also happy to see that Campbell High School student Coralie Hilaire was featured in this month's The Bright Side for creating the Smyrna Art & Garden Tour logo for the April fundraiser to benefit Keep Smyrna Beautiful and the Smyrna Arts Council.

# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



**Document Shredding Event:** KSB's spring Document Shredding event will be on Saturday, March 12th from 9am-12pm at Church Street Park from 9am-12pm. Bring your documents to securely and safely shred! Event is free and open to everyone.

**Recycling Center Stats:**

- 91,704 lbs. of material recycled and 2,140 patrons in January 2022
- Upcoming Tour Dates: February 18th and March 18th

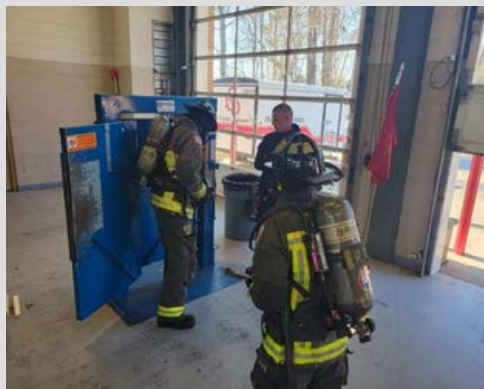
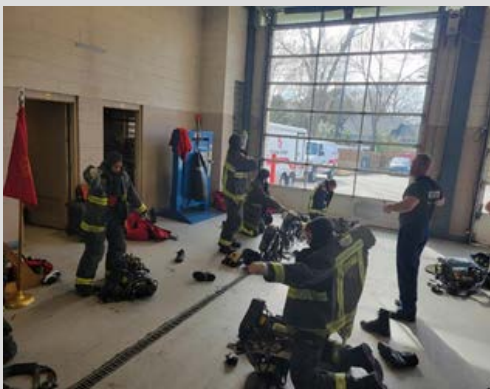
# POLICE DEPARTMENT



**Weekly Police Totals**

Arrests: 28  
 Citations: 224  
 Warnings: 98  
 Calls for Service: 829

# FIRE DEPARTMENT



**Recruit Academy:** SFD recruits learning forcible entry techniques and performing quick dress under 2 minutes.

**Fire Fact:** *In less than 30 seconds a small flame can turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for thick black smoke to fill a house or for it to be engulfed in flames*

# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 1

Medical: 65

Other: 46

Total Incidents: 112

**United Leadership Program:** The United Leadership Program is kicking off in February 2022, with six Smyrna officers joining the class of 27. The class features individuals representing Smyrna Fire, Austell Fire, Marietta Fire, Cobb County Fire, as well as MetroAmbulance Services and WellStar Health System. The ULP is sponsored by Kennesaw State University, WellStar Health System, and MetroAmbulance Services.



**Blue Card:** Lt. Jacob Bower attended the week long Blue Card Command Instructor Class in Phoenix, AZ this past week. As an instructor, Lt. Bower will certify new participants, as well as maintain current Company Officers' certifications.

**2022 Firefighter's Recognition Day:** On February 1, 2022, Smyrna Fire Department will be recognized at the Legislative Appreciation Dinner at the Georgia Freight Depot in Atlanta.



# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

## FRESH BOOK PICKS?

Yes, please!



### Visitors

- Library Visitors: 2581
- Museum Visitors: 6

**New & Notable Book News:** Smyrna Library publishes 25 newsletters to keep our readers up-to-date on the new titles hitting our shelves. Do you like historical fiction or popular science non-fiction? Are you really into audiobooks? We have a tailored newsletter specific to your interest. New categories for 2022 include “Page to Screen” and “Must-Read Books.” Most newsletters are monthly or bi-monthly. Anyone may sign up for as many newsletters as they wish using the NextReads sign-up page.



### Tweens Let Their Creativity Flow at the Library:

Smyrna Library tweens created shaving cream art at the library on Tuesday, January 25. Messy and creative – the best of both worlds!



## Black History Month

Learn about the heroism of Harriet Tubman

Families can pick up a craft kit to make a lantern in honor of Harriet Tubman and learn about how she became a conductor on the Underground Railroad and a Union spy.

**The Smyrna Museum**  
**Saturday, February 5**  
**10 am- 4 pm**

2861 Atlanta Rd.  
 Smyrna, GA 30080

**Black History Month Take Home Craft Kit:** Families can pick up a craft kit at the Museum to make a lantern in honor of Harriet Tubman and learn about how she became a conductor on the Underground Railroad and a Union spy.

# 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.

**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:** During the week of January 24 thru January 30 Parks & Recreation generated more than \$30,000 in revenue. Rentals, monthly programs registration and families registering for upcoming events, all contributed to a successful revenue week.

**Maintenance:** Parks Maintenance staff has been working hard at preparing ball fields so they are ready for youth to begin Spring league practice. In addition crews are pulling trash, cleaning restrooms, dealing with any playground issues that arise and keeping city parks in shape so that visitors can enjoy their time at play.



# PARKS AND RECREATION

**Programs** has been busy at the Wolfe Adult Recreation Center and Therapy Pool. For the month of January they welcomed:

- RSVP Water Walkers = 457
- Open Water Walkers = 341
- Lap Swimmers = 333
- Aquatic Exercise Classes = 283
- Fitness Center = 193
- Fitness Classes = 4502

For the month of February, Programs will provide a group of seniors with several trips including:

- Lunch Out @ Colonnade Restaurant – February 5
- Smyrna Museum Tour – February 9
- Shout! A Musical Theater – February 13
- Tennessee Railroad Missionary Ridge Train Ride – February 18
- School Street Playhouse Cumming – February 27

**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.

In the month of January, the Community Center welcomed participants for several programs. This included:

- 234 in gymnastics
- 33 in Tae Kwon Do
- 193 in Dance

**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)

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



## Weekly Inspections

141 Inspections

76 Sites

## Total Estimated Cost of Construction

\$2,205,387

## Building New/Residential (1)

(1) Single-family detached - 2656 Hughes St

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$540,000**

## Building Remodel/Residential (17)

(4) Addition, (1) Demo, (3) Interior, (1) Pool, (8) Re-roof

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$490,387**

## Building Remodel/Commercial (3)

(3) Remodel - Dunkin (3300 S Cobb Dr), B'Licious Fitness (2304 Old Concord Rd), State Farm (696 Concord Rd, Ste A)

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$645,000**

## Grading (2)

(1) Commercial Land Disturbance - Dunkin (3300 S Cobb Dr)

(1) Residential Land Disturbance - 1074/1080 Church St

**Estimated Cost of Construction: \$530,000**

**Electrical (1)**

**HVAC (8)**

**Tree Removal (3)**

**Signs (1)**

## NEW BUSINESSES

### VITAL VYBZ JUICE BAR

Snack and Nonalcoholic Beverage Bars  
3200 Highlands Pkwy SE, Ste 7  
Ward 2

### IMPERIAL BELLE LASHES & MORE

Esthetician Services  
3201 S Cobb Dr SE, Ste D5  
Ward 3

### BREWER ECONOMIC CONSULTING

Other Scientific and Technical Consulting Services  
Home Business  
Ward 5

### THE ONES YOU LOVED COMICS & TOYS

Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order Houses  
Home Business  
Ward 6

### HANNAH JOHNSON

Beauty Salons  
3040 Highlands Pkwy SE, Ste G  
Ward 7

### SYDNEY REID LLC

Beauty Salons  
3040 Highlands Pkwy SE, Ste G  
Ward 7

### PURE BEAUTY LOFT

Beauty Salons  
3040 Highlands Pkwy SE, Ste C  
Ward 7

### NEXT LEVEL RESTORATION CONSULTANT

Other Management Consulting Services  
5292 Oakdale Rd SE, Unit 8  
Ward 7