



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, March 21, 2022

Smyrna Townhome Standards Committee

5:15 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall - Admin Conference Room

Monday, March 21, 2022

Mayor and Council Meeting

7:00PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall - Council Chambers

Monday, March 21, 2022

Pre-Council Meeting

6:30 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall - Admin Conference Room

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

License and Variance Board

10:00 AM

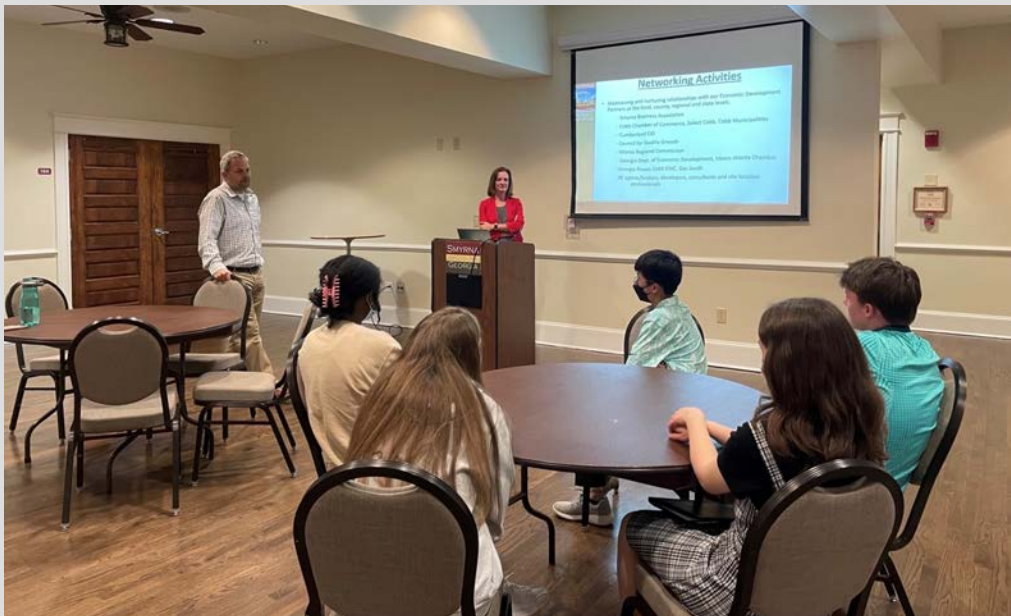
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ADMINISTRATION



Smyrna Citizens Academy: The 2022 Smyrna Citizens Academy kicked off on Tuesday night with a presentation on the City Council and the Administration department. After the presentation, participants conducted a mock city council meeting and played roles of the Mayor and Council, staff, and the public.

Citizens Academy participants are Smyrna residents who are interested in getting an in-depth understanding of city operations. Each department will have a chance to interact with participants throughout the program, which concludes in May with a graduation ceremony.



Youth Council: The Youth Council visited Brawner Hall for the first time and heard from Community Development Director Rusty Martin and Economic Development Director Andrea Worthy. Students learned about the ins and outs of the development and business world. Thanks Rusty and Andrea!

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Upcoming Events

Storm Drain Marking: March 17th

Community Cleanups: March 20th and 29th

Document Shredding: April 9th

Smyrna Art and Garden Tour: April 30th

Adopt-a-Mile: April 16th

Recycling Center Tours: March 18th and April 22nd

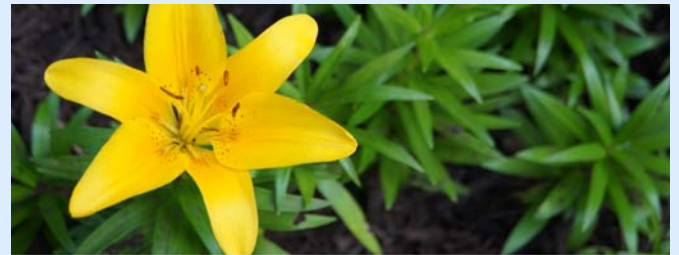


Smyrna Art & Garden Tour: Tickets for the Smyrna Art & Garden Tour on April 30th are now available for purchase online:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/smyrna-art-garden-tour-tickets-264423486767>

Adopt-a-Tree: Finally, through the Adopt-a-Tree program, Keep Smyrna Beautiful began collaborating with the Smyrna Tree Board this week to prepare and "adopt out" about 60 trees that have been rescued from recent development projects. Those who'd like a tree can fill out an online interest form, and they will be contacted when the trees are available, on a first come, first served basis.

Great American Cleanup: On Sunday, March 20, Keep Smyrna Beautiful is kicking off the Great American Cleanup (GAC), which takes place between March and June every year in conjunction with Keep America Beautiful affiliates across the country. To celebrate GAC, Keep Smyrna Beautiful is adding cleanup dates, as well as an educational series called "Love Where You Live."



KEEP SMYRNA BEAUTIFUL PRESENTS

Love Where You Live!

Keep Smyrna Beautiful has partnered with local experts to offer a series of environmental education events this spring to help Smyrna residents be even better stewards of our shared environment.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2022, 6-7PM

Celebrating Earth Day: Recycling for a Better Earth

Learn: How to be a better recycler so your efforts will truly make a difference.
Location: Online via Zoom and at Smyrna Community Center (Room TBD)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4, 2022, 6-7PM

Celebrating International Compost Awareness Week: Compost 101

Learn: The science (and art!) of composting and how you can get started.
Location: Online via Zoom and at Smyrna Community Center (Room: TBD)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2022, 6-7PM

Celebrating National Pollinator Week: Pollinators are the Bees Knees!

Learn: Why pollinators are so important and how you can help create a more hospitable environment for these critical members of our ecosystems.
Location: Online via Zoom and at Smyrna Community Center (Room: TBD)

All events are free and open to the public, but registration is requested. Use the QR code to register or visit [keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/love-where-you-live](https://www.KeepSmyrnaBeautiful.com/love-where-you-live)



Education/Outreach: Eloise Holland and Julie Barwig spoke at the Jonquil City Kiwanis Club meeting on 3/15/22 about Keep Smyrna Beautiful programs, recycling, and the Hefty EnergyBag Program.

Love Where You Live: Keep Smyrna Beautiful is hosting a Love Where You Live education series this spring/summer on topics of recycling, composting, and pollinators!

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Document Shredding Event: Due to a forecast of high winds and snow, Document Shredding was postponed from Saturday, March 12 to Saturday, April 9. The event will still be held from 9am to noon at the Aline Wolfe Adult Recreation Center.

Keep Smyrna Beautiful School Grants: The deadline for Keep Smyrna Beautiful School Grants is coming up on April 15, 2022. Grants can encompass beautification, gardening, science, or education projects. These grant funds are made available for each school year and are up to \$1,000. Grant guidelines and an online application can be found on our website:

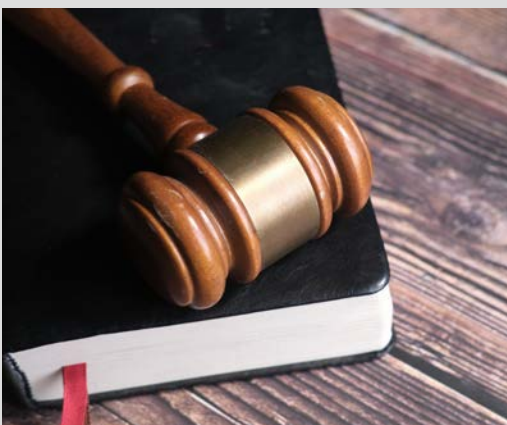
<https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/school-partnerships/>



Adopt-a-Trail: Yongsu Martial Arts studio recently reported on their first Adopt-a-Trail cleanup of 2022. Six young volunteers picked up six bags of litter on the Silver Comet Trail, totaling about 90 pounds of litter!



COURT SERVICES



Arraignments (03/08)

- Cases:** 170
- Failure to Appear:** 44
- Resets:** 48
- Pre-trials Conducted:** 45
- DUI's Completed:** 6

Trials (03/10)

- Trials Set:** 3
- Failure to Appear:** 1
- Dismissals:** 1
- Dead Docket (E-Court cases):** 1
- Pre-trial:** 1

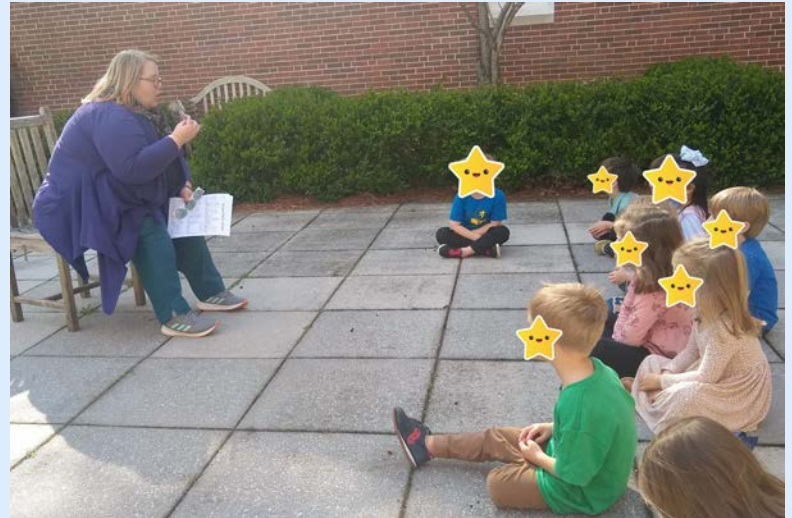
LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Visitors

Library: 2,378

Museum: 10

Preschool Story Time: Youth Services Librarian Rebecca Power visited Trinity Early Learning Center for a special story time on Thursday, March 10.



Donation to Genealogy Collection:

On Friday, March 11, the Nicholas Wallingford Chapter of the Colonial Dames XVII Century presented a donation for Smyrna Library's genealogy collection which will underwrite ten new books. Pictured with Director Mary Moore is Scarlette Moyer, Chapter Librarian; Maryanne McCurdy, Treasurer; and Evelyn Herring, Chapter Historian.

Debut of the New Smyrna Women's History Tour: The Women of Smyrna Tour is a 1 hour guided tour to learn how women have lived through the changing faces of Smyrna and helped build our city.

Sign up at:
www.SmyrnaHistoryMuseum.com



PUBLIC WORKS

Lead and Copper Inventory Project: Kick off to the lead and copper inventory has started this month with the finalization of maps and staff strategizing on the next steps to testing and verification. The Smyrna City Council approved water testing for lead and copper. Letters regarding testing will be going out to customers on April 4th in Ward's 3 and 6. Following the letters, test kits will be sent out with instructions on how to collect and return the samples.

Close Caption TV Sewer Project: The 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 ensure the life span of the current sewer system. The project is currently 30% complete.

Water and Sewer Taps: Ardito Construction made water and sewer taps on Stephens Street for future homes being built. The Water Department installed new water and sewer taps for Brinkley Park's new concession stand.

Estell Court: Water main replacement on Estell Court, consisting of replacing 500ft of galvanized piping, has started and will take roughly three weeks to complete. This work is part of Public Works' plan to replace all galvanized lines and asbestos cement.

Dial Change Out: The Water Department is currently in process of changing out meter dials to ensure accurate reading. So far 400 out of 1200 dials have been replaced and or calibrated.

Pothole Corrections: The Street Department has addressed potholes on Spring Road, Atlanta Road, Windy Hill Road, Manson Avenue, and Pinehill Drive.

Grass Mowing: The Street Department has started its annual right of way grass mowing in addition to arm mowing a line of site issues and heavy vegetation.

SPLOST-Windy Hill Boulevard: Paving of the eastbound lanes should be completed this week. The contractor expects to shift traffic onto the newly paved lanes by mid-April.

Stormwater Pipe Lining: The contractor continues to line stormwater pipes that have exceeded their useful life. This work is approximately 35% complete.

Resurfacing: Resurfacing projects on North Cooper Lake Road and Hawthorne Avenue have completed and staff is now preparing a list of roadways for 2023.

San Fernando Water Line Project: Contractors are boring driveways this week using long side service bores. Contractors are currently working on Inglewood Drive moving towards San Fernando.

Line Installation: Water locators are in the process of locating all of Campbell Road for AT&T fiber line installation.



Beautification Project: The Street Department is starting work on curbs and gutters in Afton Downs. Staff expects to pave the streets this summer.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Spring Break Mini Camp: Discover the world beyond the classroom in this Spring Break minicamp. Campers ages 6 – 12 will participate in daily hands-on science experiments and explore the world around them through concepts such as the solar system, gravity, and the effects of magnets. Space is limited, so register today:

<https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>

Location: Smyrna Community Center

Date(s): April 4th - 8th

Time: 10 AM - 12 PM

Price: \$30 for residents, \$40 for non-residents



Science Day: Science Day Revealed is on May 7th. Held at Riverview Park, Parks & Recreation has teamed up with Georgia Tech Research to host a day of science for middle and high school students. There will be science demonstrations throughout the event for individuals to watch and partake in. Students will participate in a Goldberg Competition for a chance to win prizes. This objective of the event is to reveal different careers the science industry may offer for students in the future. More information is to be announced.



Easter Egg Hunt: There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at Tolleson Park for children ages 1 – 10 years old on April 9th from 1:00pm- 5:00pm. Bring your family for Easter egg hunts, games, crafts, and Easter Photos. Pricing is to be determined.

Movie Series Kick-Off: The weather is warming up and the outdoor fun is just beginning! What better way to celebrate National Adopt A Shelter Pet Day than spending it with your furry friend. A day filled with pet vendors and adoption shelters with information on how to adopt a shelter pet, finishing with a pet friendly movie in the evening at Lake Court Park on April 30th. Remember, pets must be leashed when not in the dog park. The movie being played will be Lady and the Tramp. Price and time are to be determined.



PARKS AND RECREATION



Improvements and Repairs: The Historic Taylor-Brawner House is getting a new paint job along with other needed improvements. Crews have begun scraping and priming the house as well as replacing bad wood prior to painting. If the weather cooperates, the job is expected to be complete this week.

Tolleson Pool was drained and is receiving needed repairs to fix a water leak and reinforce the gutter system. Work will be complete and the pool will be ready to open for Summer 2022 on Memorial Day weekend.

Programs News: Programs are seeing near pre-pandemic participation at the Community Center. Classes for gymnastics and dance may be joined monthly during the year through May. Tae Kwon Do offers classes throughout the year and participants may join at the beginning of any month.

New Program at Smyrna Community Center: STEAM Generation will be holding Spring classes (April 14 – May 20). These classes are for ages PreK – 8th grade and will be held on Thursday and Friday afternoons. The Spring session will focus on Mechanical Engineering.

Registration is now open online at: <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>

Senior News: AARP Tax Aide continues at the Wolfe Adult Recreation Center each Wednesday, through April 13.

Senior Trips are in full swing and each group is having a fantastic time! Upcoming trips include:

- Harrah's Casino (overnight) March 20 – 21
- Picasso! Immersive Exhibit March 31

Increase in Memberships: Wolfe Center memberships continue to rise. As of March 15 annual memberships are at 266, while semi-annual stands at 25. Therapy pool memberships are booming as well at 305 annual and 75 semi-annual.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 3
 Medical: 90
 Other: 61
 Total Incidents: 154

Smyrna Fire at Campbell High School College & Career Fair: Smyrna Fire Department participated in the Campbell High School College & Career Fair. FF Robinson, FF Rockwell and Lt. Paul were on site to provide information to students interested in a fire service career.



Tree Rescue: On Thursday, March 10th Engine Two was dispatched to a person stuck in a tree after an arborist accident. An arborist was trapped approximately 30' - 40' in a tree after a large branch pulled his flip line causing him abdominal and hip injuries. Several large branches were cut to make access to the arborist. Firefighters then strapped into the tree and released all the equipment holding the arborist and then lowered him to the platform. He was then lowered from the platform to the hose bed of Engine Two with a stokes basket and then to the ground using a roof ladder.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 29
 Citations: 187
 Warnings: 61
 Calls for Service: 668

Women's Self Defense Class: Last night the Smyrna Police Department concluded their Women's Self Defense Class. They had 15 women who completed the two week program. All of the women told the instructors that they feel more confident and empowered after taking the class. The Smyrna Police Department conducts this type of community engagement training and many more classes on a monthly basis. City employees are encouraged to follow The Smyrna Police Department's Facebook page if they are interested in taking any of their classes. Pictured are the instructors for the Self Defense Course.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

387 Inspections

113 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$4,236,312

Building New/ Residential (1)

Single-family Detached- Nickajack Retreat

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$250,000

Building Remodel/ Residential (10)

(2) Addition (5) Interior (3) Re-roof

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$244,269

Building Remodel / Commercial (1)

Crown Bakeries (1200 Wilson Way)

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$3,742,049

Signs (2)

Papa John's (2697 Spring Rd)

– Face Change (1)

– Wall Sign (1)

HVAC (10) Electrical (1) Plumbing (2) Tree Removal (3)

New Businesses

Three Squared, Inc.

Other Services Related to
Advertising
Home Business
(Ward 6)

Eudaemony Incorporated

Video Game Arcades (except
gambling)
2790 Cumberland Blvd SE
(Ward 1)

B'licious Fitness

All Other Personal Services
Fitness and Recreational
Sports Centers
2304 Old Concord Rd SE
(Ward 5)

High Brow Beauty LLC

Beauty Salons
2220 Atlanta Rd SE, Unit
STE 110
(Ward 5)

Dream Detailing LLC

Detailing Services
Home Business
(Ward 3)

Tienda El Milagro LLC

Supermarkets and Other Grocery
(except Convenience) Stores
2175 Old Concord Rd SE, Unit STE A
(Ward 5)

Growing With Grace Tutoring LLC

Tutoring, Academic
3209 S Cobb Dr SE, Unit STE F-6
(Ward 3)

HUMAN RESOURCES

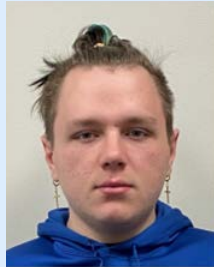


Campbell High School 2022 College and Career Fair: On Friday, March 11, members of the HR, Parks & Recreation, Police, and Fire departments attended the Campbell High School 2022 College and Career Fair. Thanks to everyone who helped with this event! We met a lot of great CHS students, faculty and staff!

Welcome to Smyrna!



Akira Knox
Police Officer -
SPD
Hired: 03/07/2022



Joseph Hale
Crew Worker -
Public Works
Hired: 03/14/2022



Chase Betts
Crew Worker -
Public Works
Hired: 03/11/2022



Taylor Moses
Library Aid (PT) -
Library
Hired: 03/14/2022



Darla Bogner
Police Officer -
SPD
Hired: 03/14/2022

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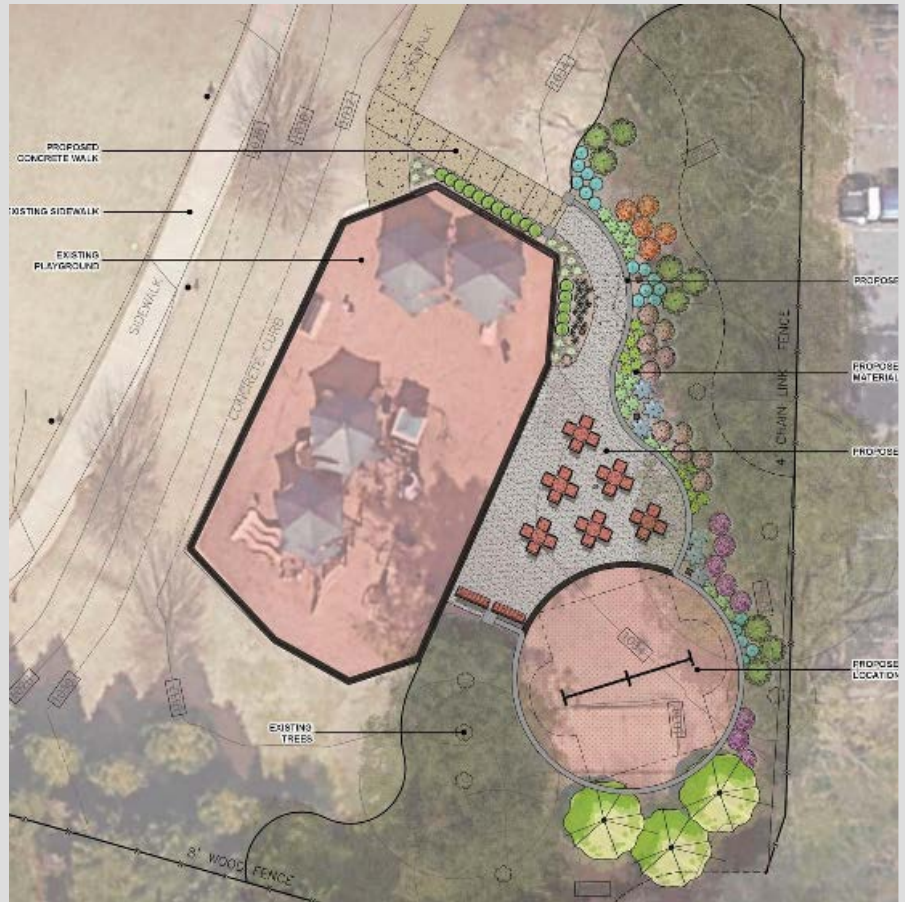
FINANCE

Purchasing Department Updates:

Park Renovations: Ashford Gardeners was awarded to renovate the surrounding area at the playground in Brawner Park and some updates to Durham Park.

Library Restrooms: TSW Design was awarded for architectural services to remodel all of the Library restrooms.

Wolfe Center Restrooms: Lichy Commercial Construction was awarded to build out the new restrooms at the Wolfe Center.



Grant Project: Rebuilding Together-Atlanta was awarded to oversee a grant project for low income Smyrna homeowners to help with needed home repairs.

Downtown Redesign: The Downtown Redesign is well under way. Ohmshiv Construction has been approved as the vendor for the roadwork. The round-a-bout and surrounding areas will be closed on March 21, 2022. Pictured is the concept drawing for this project.

