



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, May 2, 2022

Pre-Council Meeting
6:30 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall - Admin
Conference Room

Monday, May 2, 2022

Mayor and Council Meeting
7:00 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall -
Council Chambers

ADMINISTRATION



Citizens Academy at Parks & Recreation: On Tuesday, Citizens Academy participants met with Parks & Recreation at the Community Center. Staff members put together two interactive games that allowed participants to learn interesting facts about Smyrna. Thank you to everyone at Parks & Recreation for a fun session!



Youth Council at Parks & Recreation: On Wednesday, the Smyrna Youth Council visited the Community Center to learn about Parks & Recreation operations. Students participated in Parks trivia and tested their critical thinking skills by solving recreation scenarios. Thanks to Parks & Recreation for the engaging activity!

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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

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

Volunteers are still needed for the event! Sign up here or email Eloise at eholland@smyrnaga.gov.

Recycling Center: The center will be closed on Saturday, April 30th. The next Recycling Center tour will be Friday, May 20, at 9 AM.

Jonquil Festival: Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers tabled at the booth throughout the weekend, handing out information about recycling and water health. Keep Smyrna Beautiful had multiple recycling bins stationed throughout the festival and collected 96 lbs. of recycling including plastic bottles, cups, and cans.



Education/Outreach: The Recycling Center hosted two tours on Friday, April 22nd, our regularly scheduled monthly tour, with 3 attendees as well as Falcon Academy Preschool with 3 students and 1 teacher. On Monday, April 25, 14 preschoolers and 2 teachers from Smyrna First United Methodist visited the Smyrna Recycling Center. They took a tour and practiced recycling with a hands-on paper-marking activity!

Love Where You Live Educational Series: Keep Smyrna Beautiful hosted our first workshop in the Love Where You Live Educational Series about recycling. There was a great discussion about recycling between our expert panelists: Jerod Stewart, Smyrna Recycling Center Coordinator, Kimberly White, Keep Cobb Beautiful Executive Director, and Peggy Whitlow Ratcliffe, Live Thrive Founder & Executive Director. The discussion is posted on the Keep Smyrna Beautiful YouTube channel as well as Facebook.

Love Where You Live Compost 101 Workshop: Our next virtual workshop is May 4th at 6 PM on Zoom about Compost 101. We have three local speakers to talk about the ins and outs of composting! Information about the workshop is available here: <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/love-where-you-live/>

PARKS AND RECREATION



Smyrna Handmade Market: The Smyrna Handmade Market is back! The market begins Sunday, May 1, in the Market Village. Come out and enjoy the handmade treasures of 60 vendors from 11 AM - 3 PM. The market will run each Sunday through October 23.

Fitness Court Launch Party: Mark your calendar! Parks & Recreation will host a launch party on Friday, May 13, at 12 PM for the new fitness court at Jonquil Park. It is located in front of Fire Station #3 on Spring Road. This court offers a free exercise alternative to residents.

Fitness Court Ambassadors: We are looking for fitness court ambassadors for the new fitness court at Jonquil Park. Check out more information about being an ambassador at www.nfchq.com/ambassador-register



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

A poster for "Science Day Revealed" featuring a cartoon scientist. The text on the poster includes: "RECREATE Smyrna Parks & Recreation SCIENCE REVEALED Vol. 1", "SCIENCE DAY AT OUR PARKS MAY 7, 2022 RIVERVIEW PARK SMYRNA, GA", "Scan QR code for directions", "10AM - 2PM", "FREE FOR ALL AGES · FAMILY FUN", "MIDDLE SCHOOL RUBE GOLDBERG COMPETITION", "SCIENTIFIC DEMONSTRATIONS", "FOR COMPETITION SIGN UP CONTACT ASHLEY PUTNAM: 678-631-5592 OR APUTNAM@SMYRNAGA.GOV", "Come explore the world of science and learn about the different career opportunities in the science industry! Georgia Tech Research Institute will be hosting scientific demonstrations throughout the event and will happily answer any questions your students may have about opportunities in the scientific industry.", "WWW.SMYRNAGA.GOV", "Sponsored by: Georgia Tech Research Institute".

Science Day Revealed: Science Day Revealed is on May 7th. Held at Riverview Park, Parks and 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. The objective of the event is to reveal different careers the science industry may offer students in the future. More information to be announced.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Movie Night: Come one, come all! The Smyrna Parks and Recreation Movie Series has returned. Join us this Saturday, April 30, as we host our first pet-friendly movie at Lake Court Park. The movie will begin at 8 PM, but come early and enjoy our dog park with your furry friend. Grab your blanket, and lawn chairs. The whole family, including the dog, are invited to join us for the viewing of Lady and The Tramp. Preregistration is required at with a \$10 fee.

<https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog?filter=c2VhcmNoPTlwMzMwNzk=>



Front Porch Refresh: Brawner Hall got a front porch refresh with six new rocking chairs. These chairs will offer a comfortable place for guests to relax while taking in the view of the lush Taylor-Brawner Park area.

Wolfe Center Family Restroom Project: The Wolfe Center Family Restroom Project is under way. The old concrete has been removed and electrical wiring has been run. Work was slowed due to a delay in the delivery of concrete.

New Signs: The Community Center had custom ADA signs installed by Southern Sign Systems in the interior of the building. Each room and office in the facility received one of the new signs.

Courtyard Lighting: Parks Maintenance staff continues their hard work in maintaining the city's parks. In addition, staff hung extra lighting in the courtyard of the Community Center and along the path of the pond where patrons will make their way to and from their cars during construction. These lights will make a tremendous difference during those evening hours when patrons are finding their way home from events.



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



Visitors:
Library: 2,241
Museum: 19

Tiny Makers: Julie Barwig visited the library on Monday, April 18, to Celebrate Earth Day with the Library Kids. The families made their own paper from recycled paper. Keep Smyrna Beautiful partners with the library every year by sponsoring programs and underwriting new books about ecology, recycling, and the outdoors.

Archaeology Month at the Library: May is Georgia Archaeology Month, and the library is sponsoring the perfect lecture to kick it off. Rita Elliott from the LAMAR Institute will discuss the recent archaeological dig near the Historic Covered Bridge district. The purpose of the project was to determine the exact locations for events related to the Battle of Ruff's Mill during the Civil War. Ms. Elliott will present on Sunday, May 1, at 3 PM in the Smyrna Library Meeting Room.

What I Love About Smyrna Exhibit: The Smyrna Museum is planning a new exhibit to open in the Smith Temporary Exhibit space at the museum in October of 2022. This will coincide with the 150th Birthday Celebration for Smyrna in October. The exhibit theme will be "What I Love About Smyrna" and it will showcase quotes, pictures, and objects to help share with the community and visitors what makes this city great. If people fill out the questionnaire, their quote may be featured in the exhibit. Respondents should leave a phone number or email so they can be contacted if their quote is chosen. Quotes or pictures from minors won't be included without parental approval. Respondents can go to this link to fill out the form:

<https://forms.office.com/g/k5vjlbWC3F>



Smyrna Historical Society at the Jonquil Festival: The Smyrna Historical Society was well represented at the Spring Jonquil Festival and helped to inform festivalgoers about the Smyrna Museum.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

412 Inspections
126 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$2,579,208

Building New / Residential (8)

(2) Single-family Detached
The Oaks at Walker Court

(6) Single Family Attached
High Parc Townhomes
Estimated Cost of Construction: \$1,828,278

Building Remodel / Residential (11)

(2) Addition (2) Demo (2) Interior (4) Re-roof (1) Pool
Estimated Cost of Construction: \$289,930

Building Remodel / Commercial (2)

(2) Remodel
Kroger (3240 S Cobb Dr)
Intown Suites (3000 Highlands Pkwy)
Estimated Cost of Construction: \$461,000

Signs (4)

(2) Face Change
Wellstar 2x (562 & 582 Concord Rd)
(1) Monument Sign
Covenant United Methodist Church (3375 Atlanta Rd)
(1) Wall Sign
Tiendo El Milagro (2175 Old Concord Rd)

HVAC (5) Electrical (1) Plumbing (1) Tree Removal (2)

New Businesses

I Lake It Like That LLC

Electronic Shopping and Mail-
Order Houses
Home Business
Ward 3

Maritza Barraza Inc

Beauty Salons
2365 Spring Road Unit STE 205
Ward 1

On Cloud Ten LLC

Residential Property Managers
Home Business
Ward 6

Shotgun Sisters LLC

Professional Organizations
Home Business
Ward 4

Grubb Management, LLC

Nonresidential Property
Managers
2400 Lake Park Drive
Ward 2

DB Holdings of Georgia, LLC

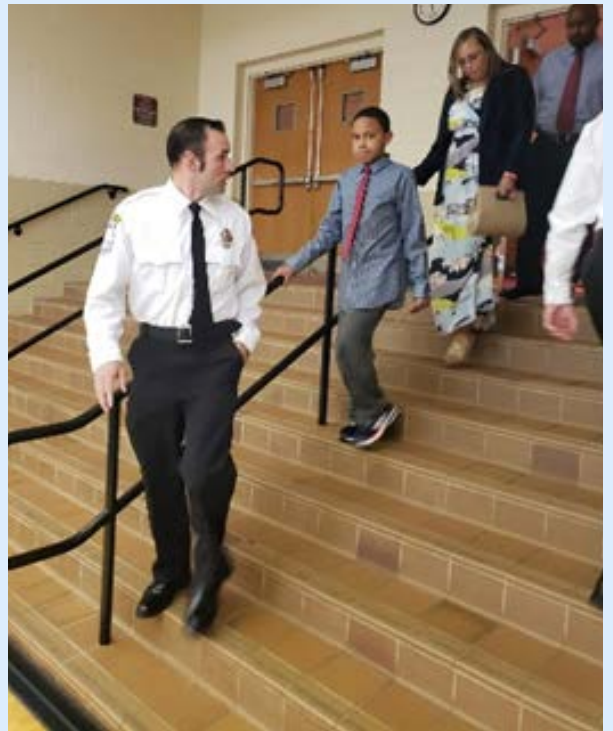
General Automotive Repair
3218 South Cobb Drive
Ward 3

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 3
Medical: 89
Other: 51
Total Incidents: 194



Alive After 5 Networking Event: The Smyrna Fire Department hosted the Small Business Association "Alive After 5" networking event and gave the participants a tour of Fire Station 1 last week.

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 36
Citations: 142
Warnings: 51
Calls for Service: 730

COURT SERVICES



Court on 04/17:

Cases: 117

Failure to Appear: 31

Resets: 35

Pre-trials Conducted: 25

DUI's Completed: 3

Court on 04/19:

Cases: 105

Failure to Appear: 24

Resets: 29

Pre-trials Conducted: 13

DUI's Completed: 3

PUBLIC WORKS



Touch a Truck: Last week, Public Works staff attended the "Touch a Truck" event at Nickajack Elementary and at Belmont Hills Elementary.

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 70% complete.

Yearly Outfall Clearing Project: Last week, crews cleared sewer outfalls as part of the Yearly Outfall Clearing Project. The Clearing Project ensures that crews can properly access sewer mains for maintenance and repairs.

Waterline Replacement: The waterline replacement on Estelle Court is now completed, online, and active.

PUBLIC WORKS

Curb and Gutter Work: The Street Department is starting work on curbs and gutters in Afton Downs. Staff expects to pave the streets this fall.

Fallen Tree Cleanup: Last week, a tree fell causing a road block on North Cooper Lake Road. Public Works crews worked to cut and clean up the tree to quickly resume traffic flow.

Sinkhole Repair: The Street Department repaired sinkholes on Nancy Circle.

Sidewalk Replacement: The Street Department began replacing the sidewalk on Old Cabin Trace.



SPLOST-Windy Hill Boulevard: The contractor (Baldwin Paving Company) has begun working on the center of Windy Hill Road.

Police Building Remodeling: The Building and Grounds department is remodeling the interior of the new southside police building on Wilson Drive.

Downtown Improvements Project: Progress is being made with the demolition work for the Downtown Improvements Project. This demolition work includes removing pavers, sidewalks, streetlights, curbs, and gutters. After the demolition work is complete, the contractor (Ohmshiv Construction) will begin rough grading and preparing for the installation of stormwater pipes.

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