



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, August 8, 2022

Planning and Zoning Meeting
6:00 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall - Council Chambers

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

Keep Smyrna Beautiful Board Meeting
6:30 PM

Recycling Center Conference Room

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

License and Variance Board
10:00 AM

A. Max Bacon City Hall - Council Chambers

Thursday, August 11, 2022

Committee of the Whole Meeting
6:30 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall - HR Training Room

FIRE DEPARTMENT

2022 Promotions

Lieutenant

Engineer

Engineer



MICHAEL BENNA



BRYAN LABAR



WADE ROBERTS



EVAN MCBRAYER



LUIS LUNA



JUSTIN TUCKER

Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 1
 Medical: 98
 Other: 77
 Total: 176

Promotions: Congratulations to Evan McBrayer and Michael Benna on being promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Another congratulations to Luis Luna, Wade Roberts, Justin Tucker and Bryan Labar on their promotion to the rank of Engineer.



Baseball Parade: Smyrna Fire Department, along with Smyrna Police Department, attended a parade send off for the Smyrna Little League 11U team, who were headed to North Carolina for the Southeast Regionals.

POLICE DEPARTMENT



National Night Out: The Smyrna Police Department had their National Night Out on August 2 with a booth at Food Truck Tuesday. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie.



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 41
 Citations: 223
 Warnings: 66
 Calls for Service: 808

Rad Kids Program: Last week, the Smyrna Police Department wrapped up their Rad Kids program. Rad Kids is a self-empowerment program for kids that focuses on anti-bullying, internet safety, stranger safety, among other safety topics. Participants had a blast spending time at the police department during the course of this program!

COURT SERVICES

Court on 07/26

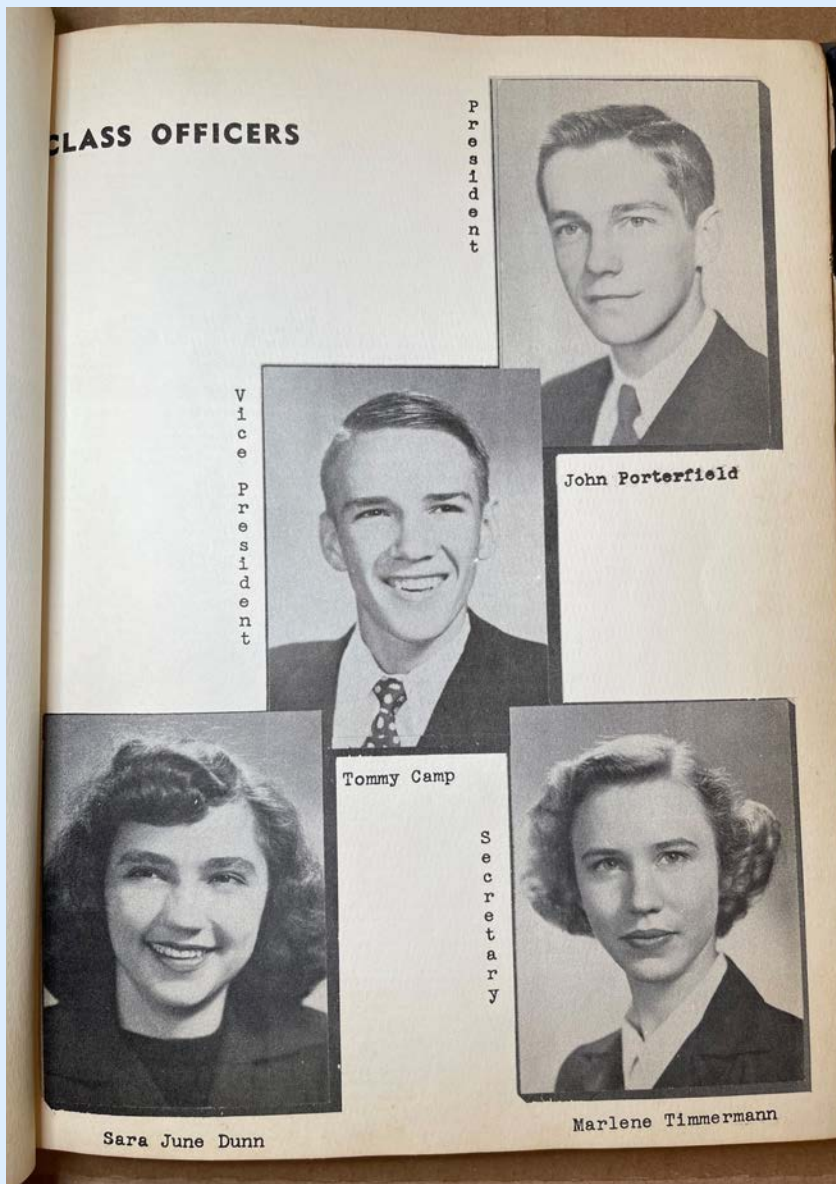
Cases: 164
 Failures to Appear: 21
 Resets: 36
 Pre-trials Conducted: 29
 DUIs Completed: 8

Court on 07/28

Cases: 62
 Failures to Appear: 18
 Resets: 34
 Pre-trials Conducted: 16
 DUIs Completed: 1



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



Visitors:
Library: 3,495
Museum: 8

Back to School (in 1948): Smyrna Library recently acquired a talisman yearbook from Smyrna High School for the 1948-49 academic year. All four class officers are common surnames around Smyrna to this day!

Staff Development: Part-time Adult Services staff member, Jennifer Moore, attended a workshop on July 26 at the Cobb County Law Library. The class gave Jennifer insight into the small claims court process and acquainted her with the resources available at the Law Library.

PUBLIC WORKS

Water Main and Service Replacement: The Water/Sewer Department has been replacing and upgrading outdated water mains and services around the city. This work has taken place on Inglewood Drive, San Fernando Drive, and Church Street. Public Works staff and management selected these areas for replacement due to the number of leaks and breaks in the area in addition to the integrity of the pipes. The Water/Sewer Department is aiming to be proactive instead of reactive to these issues because water mains and services are crucial infrastructures to the community. All water mains have been completed with the exception of landscaping.

Citywide Meter Change Out Project: The citywide meter change out project is ongoing. The contractor for this project placed magnets on the side of their trucks stating "Contractor for the City of Smyrna" to ensure that customers feel safe.

Master Meter Installation: Ardito Construction is currently installing a master meter for the Kiddie Academy on South Cobb Drive.

Water Line Rehabilitation Project: Ardito Construction is preparing to begin work on the Highlands Road water line rehabilitation project.

Manhole Cleaning and Repairs: Smyrna sewer crews have been inspecting sewer lines to repair broken manhole lids and to clean and paint around the manholes.

Close Circuit TV Pipe Project: The Water/Sewer Department is currently grading sewer infrastructure with our sewer Close Circuit TV equipment. This equipment helps to grade the condition of the pipe and the flow capacity. This technology allows the sewer crews to view the lines in real time, then video review the pipe to determine the condition and flow. Staff will grade areas that need attention and correct the issues using the jet truck. This project is still in progress and is now being extended to Ward 5. Wards 1 and 4 have been completed.



Fire Hydrant Repairs: Smyrna water crews made repairs to a broken fire hydrant on Eastfield Road last week.

Road Paving Project: Ardito Construction is currently in the process of lowering manholes and valves on streets that will be paved in the near future.

PUBLIC WORKS

Standard Operating Procedure Class: The Water/Sewer Department held a standard operating procedure class this week on ways to cut on water mains after breaks, turning customers water back on, and city policies. This class was held in efforts to keep all employees up to date on current policies and procedures. The Water/Sewer Department would like to thank Jason Winters and Guy Kirkwood for leading the class.



Streets Department Projects: The Streets Department worked on various projects last week including:

- Repairing a pedestrian access issue on Concord Road
- Repairing a drainage problem on Durley Lane
- Continuing work on the Collier Drive sidewalk project
- Finishing concrete work on the St. Charles Drive curb and gutter project
- Repairing asphalt at Gordon Circle, Floyd Road, Marston Street, and North Cooper Lake Road
- Cutting and trimming the right of way at the Cooper Lake Road Sidewalk
- Continuing work on the monthly right of way mowing schedule

HUMAN RESOURCES



Ulysses Richardson

Utility Services Meter Technician
Water Administration
Hired: 08/01



Matthew Hoover

Police Officer
Police Department
Hired: 08/01



PARKS AND RECREATION

Wolfe Center Therapy Pool: Staff at the Wolfe Center Therapy Pool welcomed 949 visits in the month of July. Therapy Pool members enjoy water walking, lap swimming, and aquatic exercise classes.

Doodle All Day Fall Break Camp: Fall Break Camp will feature an Arts and Crafts theme with the session running September 26–30. Campers can join the fun from 9:00 AM–12:00 PM daily. Registration is now open: <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>

The Wolfe Center: The Wolfe Center hosted 964 members in the month of July. Members participated in exercise classes, played Mahjogg, and enjoyed a scrumptious Independence Day luncheon of burgers, hotdogs, and brats. Some members also took part in trips to North Georgia, and others went to lunch at a diner in College Park. If you are 55 and older and would like to join the fun at the Wolfe Center, stop in and staff will be happy to assist with your membership.

Tolleson Pool: Tolleson Pool is now open weekends only. Enjoy family time after a long week at work and school on Saturdays and Sundays from 11:00 AM–6:00 PM through Labor Day. Swimmers enjoyed the pool during the month of July with the number of visitors reaching nearly 5,000.

Summer Camp: This year's summer camp ended its seven weeks of excitement with Around the World Week. Campers learned about different cultures throughout the world and ended the week with an end of summer party. Deb Mosher with Bubbles Over Georgia entertained the campers with her beautiful bubbles and interactive games! Campers left with priceless memories and lots of new friends. Many campers are looking forward to Fall Break Camp in September!



**Camp Doodle
All Day**

Join the fun this fall at Smyrna Parks and Recreation's
Fall Break Arts & Crafts Camp!

Each day campers will dive into their creativity and
explore new mediums for artistic fun! Campers will learn
different artistic techniques at the beginner level.

September 26th - 30th
9:00 AM - 12:00PM
Ages 5-12 years old

Located at the Smyrna Community Center
\$45 per participant
\$10 discount for Smyrna Residents

Register now online at
smyrnaga.gov or scan the
QR code

For More information
Contact: Ashley Putnam
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aputnam@smyrnaga.gov


RECREATE
Smyrna
Parks & Recreation



PARKS AND RECREATION

Movie Nights: Movie nights continue on Saturday, September 10 at Riverview Park. The featured film will be *Tesla*. Bring your family and a blanket to enjoy an evening of family fun.

Smyrna Handmade Market: On July 31, a large crowd of citizens visited the 49 vendors at the Smyrna Handmade Market. Each week visitors continue to support the market and its vendors, making this one of Parks and Recreation's most successful events. Stop by each Sunday in the Market Village from 11:00 AM-3:00 PM through October and find your special treasure.



Photography Basics Class


YOU WILL LEARN

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| EQUIPMENT | SHUTTER SPEED |
| FILE FORMATS | COMPOSITION |
| EXPOSURE | LIGHTING |
| ISO | POST PROCESSING |
| APERTURE SETTINGS | AND MORE! |

Learn how to use your camera (Point and Shoot, DSLR, or Mirrorless) and improve your photography skills. These courses are perfect for beginners or anyone needing a refresher course!

Classes will be held on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:00 PM Beginning August 11th
4 week session: \$60 (\$10 discount for city residents)
Questions? contact aputnam@smyrnaga.gov

SIGN UP TODAY!
Smyrnaga.gov



Photography Basics Class: Parks and Recreation will be hosting a Photography Basics Class beginning August 11. Registration is now open. Please contact Ashley Putnam (aputnam@smyrnaga.gov) with any questions.

Photography Challenge: From August-October, Parks and Recreation is pleased to bring back their photography challenge! The focus of this fall's challenge is on the beautiful landscape of Smyrna. Submissions can be sent to parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov. The winner will have a chance to be featured on the next addition of The Tap!

Fall Adult League Registration: Registration is open for fall adult leagues until August 5. Liven up your fall season and show off your talent in either basketball, softball or volleyball. <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Rivers Alive: Keep Smyrna Beautiful's annual river cleanup coordinated in partnership with Cobb Water, Keep Marietta Beautiful, and Keep Cobb Beautiful will take place on Saturday, September 10. Volunteers can register at: <https://tinyurl.com/3b2p5cka>

Recycling Center: The center processed 130,332 pounds of material in July, bringing the total amount of material processed so far in 2022 to 731,326 pounds. The center is currently projected to recycle over 1.2 million pounds of material in 2022.



COBB COUNTY

Rivers Alive

CLEANUP

SEPTEMBER 10, 2022, 9AM-12PM
PACES MILL UNIT
VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION REQUIRED

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Paint Recycling: The recycling center began accepting paint for recycling on Tuesday. On the first day, about 80 gallons of paint were collected. There are a few strict guidelines that patrons will need to follow, and fees are associated with recycling.

Adopt-a-Mile: The final numbers are in! This July, 85 Adopt-a-Mile volunteers cleaned up 19 miles of Smyrna roadways, picking up 71 bags of litter totaling 1,065 pounds. Total this year, Adopt-a-Mile groups have picked up 3,765 pounds of litter to help keep Smyrna clean, green, and beautiful! The last Adopt-a-Mile cleanup for this year is scheduled for October 15, 2022. Starting in September, Keep Smyrna Beautiful will hold monthly lunchtime Adopt-a-Mile info sessions for prospective groups. Interested groups can register here: <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/adopt-a-mile/>



School Grants and Teacher Scholarships: School is in session, and so are the application periods for Keep Smyrna Beautiful School Grants and Teacher Continuing Education Scholarships! Find guidelines and online applications on the Keep Smyrna Beautiful website: <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/school-partnerships/>

ENGINEERING



Traffic Signal Update at South Cobb Drive and Church Road: The traffic signal update at the intersection of South Cobb Drive and Church Road/Church Street was activated on August 2. This signal is a part of a Georgia Department of Transportation/Regional Traffic Operations Professionals project that will update four traffic signals along South Cobb Drive with flashing yellow arrows. The scope of work included the installation of 4-section signal heads with flashing yellow arrows on all approaches, replacing the existing 3-section signal heads, setting new timber poles, relocating the traffic signal cabinet, and street sign updates. The remaining signals to be updated include: SR 280 at Concord Village Plaza, and SR 280 at Cooper Lake Road. SR 280 at Concord Village Plaza is scheduled to be activated on August 4.

ENGINEERING



Protected Left Turn Arrow Installation at Atlanta Road and Creatwood Trail: A protected left turn arrow was installed for the northbound left turns at the intersection of Atlanta Road and Creatwood Trail. The existing 3-section signal head was replaced with a 5-section signal head and programmed on August 1. This left turn arrow was warranted based on an analysis conducted in 2019 that analyzed traffic counts, crash records, and signal timing. The request for a left-turn signal phase was in response to concerns regarding safety for the northbound left turns from Atlanta Road on to Creatwood Trail.

Restriping at the Heritage at Vinings Subdivision: All of the deteriorated stop bars and crosswalks within the Heritage at Vinings subdivision were restriped with thermoplastic. The work included restriping at the subdivision entrance on Atlanta Road and Millwood Trail and at 5 stop sign locations within the subdivision.



School Zone Flashing Beacons: With the start of Cobb County Schools on Monday, Traffic Engineering has been actively inspecting the school flashing beacons to ensure that the schedule for the 2022–23 school year is programmed and that all beacons are flashing accordingly. All of the beacons are working as scheduled with the exception of one for Campbell Middle School facing southbound traffic on Atlanta Road (due to a power failure). The Traffic Department is working closely with the power company to resolve this issue.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

127 Inspections

67 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$1,243,853,230

Building Remodel / Commercial (2)

- (2) Tenant Finish
- 4425 S Cobb Dr SE, Unit Ste A
- 4500 East-West Conn SE

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$19,848

Building New / Residential (1)

- (1) New Construction
- 4403 Nowlin Dr SE

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$475,000

Building Remodel / Residential (9)

- (3) Addition
- (1) Re-Roof
- (3) Interior Renovations
- (1) Retaining Wall
- (1) Accessory Building

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$766,382

HVAC (5)

Electrical (3)

Plumbing (7)

Sign (1)

New Businesses

Gopher Rentals, LLC

Other Commercial and Industrial Machinery and Equipment Rental and Leasing
Home Business
Ward 7

Vitality Health Care, Inc

Vitality Health Care, Inc
400 Technology Ct, STE 1
Ward 7

FLEX-ABLE-FITNESS Inc

All Other Personal Services
Home Business
Ward 2

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