



# CITY OF SMYRNA

## STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

### **Monday, August 15, 2022**

Traffic Calming Committee  
5:30 PM  
A. Max Bacon City Hall  
HR Training Room

### **Monday, August 15, 2022**

Pre-Council Meeting  
6:30 PM  
A. Max Bacon City Hall  
Admin Conference Room

### **Monday, August 15, 2022**

Mayor and Council Meeting  
7:00 PM  
A. Max Bacon City Hall  
Council Chambers

### **Tuesday, August 16, 2022**

Downtown Redevelopment  
Design Task Force  
8:30 AM  
A. Max Bacon City Hall  
HR Training Room

### **Thursday, August 18, 2022**

Ward 7 Neighborhood Meeting –  
Short Term Rentals  
6:30 PM  
A. Max Bacon City Hall  
Council Chambers

# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

**Visitors:**  
**Library: 3,216**  
**Museum: 8**

**Patron Donations:** Although all donations to the library are greatly appreciated, some donations pull the heartstrings a bit more than others. Two sisters recently dropped off \$31 in proceeds from their lemonade stand in support of Smyrna Library's Youth Services Department. An enormous thank you goes out to the Adams girls from Ward 6 for their thoughtfulness and generosity.



**Special Museum Visitors:** The Smyrna Museum had 8 visitors last week including the daughters of Doris Morris, the longtime Smyrna Librarian who is pictured in the main museum exhibit.

**Museum Update:** The Smyrna Museum will be closed Thursday, August 18 through Saturday, August 20. The museum will reopen for regular hours on Wednesday, August 24.

**Sunday Lecture:** The Friends of Smyrna Library have sponsored bi-monthly art exhibits at the library for several decades. This month, they also coordinated a presentation by exhibiting artist Alan Vaughn. Mr. Vaughn spoke on Sunday, August 7, to a crowd of 30. He discussed his artistic styles and methods, his inspiration, and his educational background. He also brought examples of his floorcloth art for attendees to view up close. His mosaic paintings are on display at the library through the end of August.



# POLICE DEPARTMENT

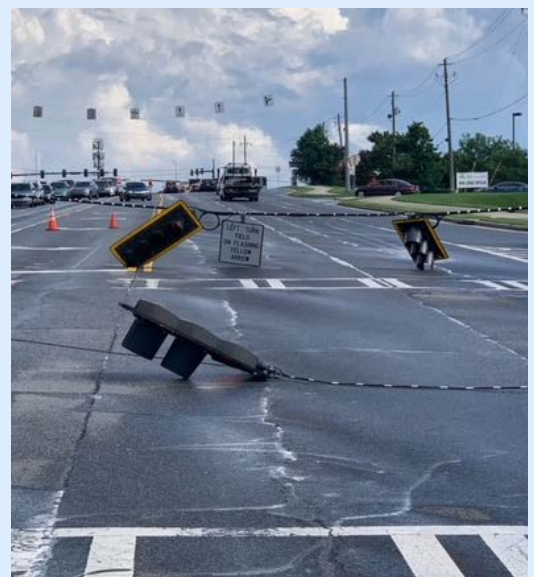


**New Training Center:** The Smyrna Police Department opened its new training center on August 4. The training center will allow the police department to provide up to date and state of the art training not only to Smyrna personnel, but to outside agencies as well.

**Traffic Light Damages:** Over the past week, there has been several traffic lights knocked down due to driver error and acts of God. The Smyrna Police Department is very grateful for the men and women who are always willing and ready to assist in meeting community needs.

## Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 25  
 Citations: 174  
 Warnings: 35  
 Calls for Service: 710



# COURT SERVICES

## Court on 08/02

Cases: 80  
 Failures to Appear: 24  
 Resets: 20  
 Pre-trials Conducted: 15  
 DUIs Completed: 1

## Court on 08/04

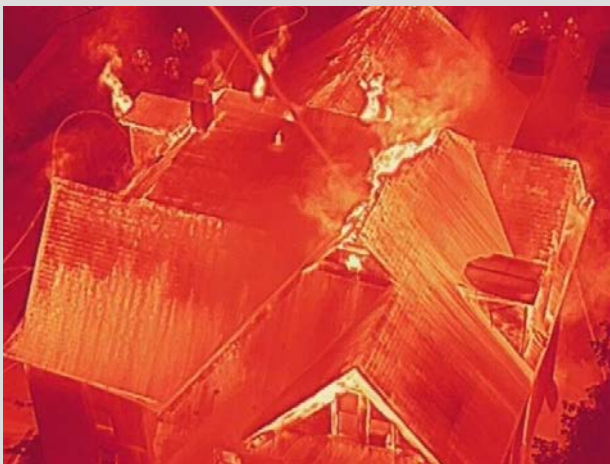
Cases: 134  
 Failures to Appear: 29  
 Resets: 35  
 Pre-trials Conducted: 16  
 DUIs Completed: 5



# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 0  
 Medical: 122  
 Other: 61  
 Total: 183



**Smyrna Fire Department Drone Program:** The Smyrna Fire Department has started taking the first steps in establishing a drone program to assist in their fire response. Many neighboring fire departments have seen the value in this new technology, which allows for greater visualization of the emergency site and includes thermal imagery all from the safety of a hovering drone. This clearer picture will allow fire officers to make well informed decisions on how to get the fire out as quickly and safely as possible. The program is also set to assist in a number of other fire department operations as well.

# 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. Staff 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.

**Water Line Replacement:** Ardito Construction is currently completing the final stages of a water line replacement project at Riverline Park.

**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.

**Pre-Incident Planning:** The Water/Sewer Department attended a pre-incident planning meeting with the Smyrna Fire Department in efforts to gather backflow information throughout the city.

**Training at the University of Georgia:** The Director and Assistant Director of Public Works will soon be attending the UGA training for certified public works management.

**Closed Circuit TV Pipe Project:** The Water/Sewer Department is currently grading sewer infrastructure with our sewer Closed 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.



**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



**Employee Spotlight:** The Water/Sewer Department would like to recognize Terrance "Pooh" Alford for his outstanding work, especially with the utility locating division. He goes above and beyond to do what it takes to get the job completed. Thank you, Pooh!

# HUMAN RESOURCES



**Wayne Lord**  
Community Center  
Attendant – Part Time  
Parks and Recreation  
Hired: 08/08



**Alex Putman**  
Community Center  
Attendant – Part Time  
Parks and Recreation  
Hired: 08/08



**Alan Gladney**  
Police Officer  
Police Department  
Hired: 08/08



**Christopher Graham**  
Sanitation Worker  
Public Works  
Hired: 08/09



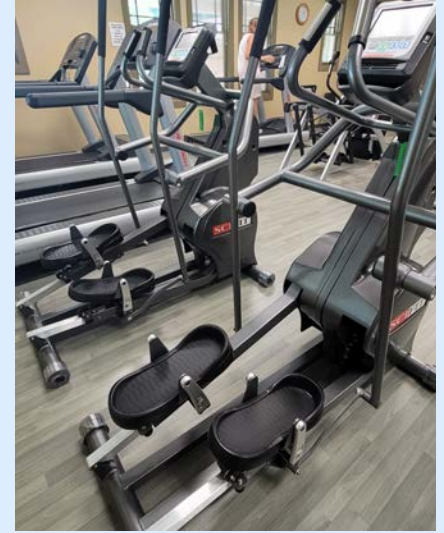
**Azai Martinez**  
Sanitation Worker  
Public Works  
Hired: 08/09



**Japri Anderson**  
Sanitation Worker  
Public Works  
Hired: 08/09



# PARKS AND RECREATION



**Wolfe Center Fitness Area:** The Wolfe Center fitness area received several pieces of new equipment last week. Two of the original ellipticals were replaced with newer versions. A leg press machine and a seated row machine were also added. Come check it out!

**Movie Series Update:** The upcoming movie *Tesla* has been moved to September 17 and will be held at Riverview Park beginning at dusk. The registration cost is \$10 per group. This is a perfect opportunity for a date night or relaxing evening with some friends. Registration is now open!

**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](mailto:parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov). The winner will have a chance to be featured on the next addition of The Tap!



Looking for an exciting date night this fall? Maybe even grab some friends and make it a double date! Join us September 17th at Riverview Park for a showing of *Tesla*! The park's amphitheater provides a beautiful rustic backdrop for a unique date night! All are welcome! Registration required.

Registration is now open at [smyrnaga.gov](http://smyrnaga.gov)  
 \$10 per group  
 September 17th  
 Riverview Park in Smyrna







**Sports Field Maintenance:** Parks Maintenance staff is in the process of topdressing sports fields to give them a smooth and firmer playing surface. This allows leagues to have a safe space for play.

# PARKS AND RECREATION



**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](http://smyrnaga.gov) or scan the QR code

For More information  
Contact: Ashley Putnam  
678-631-5392  
[aputnam@smyrnaga.gov](mailto:aputnam@smyrnaga.gov)

RECREATE  
**Smyrna**  
Parks & Recreation

**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>

**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.

**Smyrna Handmade Market:** The Smyrna Handmade Market is open each week through October. Stop in every Sunday in the Market Village from 11:00 AM–3:00 PM to find your favorite baked good or handmade treasure for your home.

# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



**Community Cleanups:** This past weekend, Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers cleaned up Pat Mell Road near the intersection of South Cobb Drive. They picked up 31 pounds of litter, including 14 pounds of recycling!

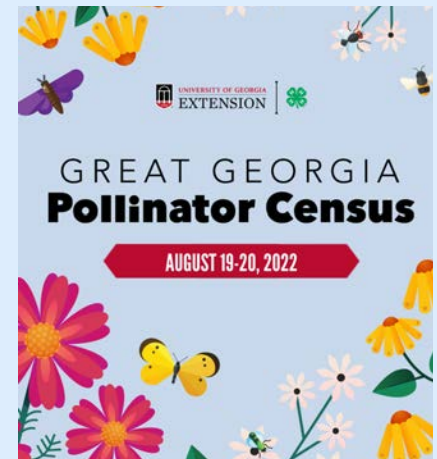
**Recycling Center Tours:** On August 19, the monthly tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center will take place at 9 AM.



# 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>

**Great Pollinator Census:** On August 19, the Smyrna Community Garden will serve as a census site for the Great Georgia Pollinator Census, a citizen-science project created by UGA to support pollinator conservation. Volunteers can sign up to count pollinators for a 15-minute interval at the garden any time between 10 AM-11 AM. To-go craft kits will be available for kids. Sign up here to volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a054faaaa2fa6fa7-2022>



# ENGINEERING



## Traffic Signal Repair at Spring Road at Campbell Road:

A mast arm assembly was damaged during a traffic incident at the intersection of Spring Road at Campbell Road. The mast arm assembly faced eastbound traffic on Spring Road. It has been temporarily replaced with a wooden pole at the southeast corner of the intersection. The Traffic Department is gathering parts to reinstall the mast arm and anticipate the work being scheduled within the next few weeks. This traffic incident damaged the signal pole, traffic signal heads, signage, and CCTV cameras.

**Traffic Signal Flashing Yellow Arrow Updates:** Updates to the traffic signals at the intersections of South Cobb Drive at The Crossings/Concord Village Plaza, and South Cobb Drive at Concord Road, were activated on August 4 and August 9. These signals are part of a Georgia Department of Transportation/Regional Traffic Operations Professionals project that will update 5 traffic signals along South Cobb Drive with flashing yellow arrows (FYAs). Previous intersections completed include SR 280 at King Springs Road, and SR 280 at Church Road. The remaining intersection to be updated is South Cobb Drive at Cooper Lake Road. FYAs will be installed for traffic headed southbound on SR 280 and for both approaches on Concord Road, in addition to all approaches at the intersection of SR 280 at The Crossings. The project also includes updates to street signs and pedestrian signs.

**SR 280 Resurfacing Project:** The City of Smyrna Traffic Department is coordinating with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) for a project consisting of 8.045 miles of milling, interlay, and plant mix resurfacing on SR 280 beginning at the Fulton County line and extending north of Austell Road. The section of roadway being resurfaced within Smyrna city limits begins at the I-285 ramps and ends at Pat Mell Road. A meeting was held on August 9 to verify the traffic inductive loops (used for vehicle detection) that will be damaged during the resurfacing. All damaged traffic loops and roadway striping will be replaced by GDOT. The project is scheduled to kick-off before the end of August and is anticipated to be completed before the end of the year.

**School Flashing Beacons:** The school flashing beacon for Campbell Middle School facing traffic traveling southbound on Atlanta Road is repaired and flashing on schedule. All school flashers have been updated with new 4G controllers and modems.

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



**Weekly Inspections:**

302 Inspections  
94 Sites

**Total Estimated Cost of Construction:**

\$1,722,449.86

**Building Remodel / Commercial (2)**

(2) Tenant Finish  
-460 Bourne Dr SE  
-888 Concord Rd SE

**Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$295,000.00

**HVAC (5)  
Electrical (4)  
Plumbing (6)  
Tree (5)**

**Building Remodel / Residential (9)**

(2) Additions  
(3) Re-Roof  
(3) Interior Renovations  
(1) Solar Panels/Generators

**Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$347,449.86

**Building New / Residential (6)**

(1) New Construction  
1572, 1576, 1580, 1584, 1588,  
1592 Purple Coneflower Ave SE

**Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$1,080,000.00

## New Businesses

**The Woosah Barber Lounge**

Barber Shops  
2365 Spring Road, STE 202  
Ward 1

**The Art of Wellness: Body Whisper ATL**

Offices of All Other Miscellaneous Health Practitioners  
3836 Highlands Parkway,  
Ward 7

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