

CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

License and Variance Board 10:00 AM A. Max Bacon City Hall Council Chambers

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Parks and Recreation Commission Board Meeting 6:30-8:30 PM Community Center Oak Room

Thursday, September 29, 2022

License and Variance Board 6:00 PM A. Max Bacon City Hall HR Training Room

ADMINISTRATION

Smyrna Youth Council: The Smyrna Youth Council had their second meeting on Wednesday and voted on officer roles for the year. They were given a presentation on Administration by Deputy City Administrator Penny Moceri. Thank you Penny for joining us!



POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 37 Citations: 207 Warnings: 59 Calls for Service: 723

COURT SERVICES



Court on 09/13

Cases: 115 Failures to Appear: 28 Resets: 24 Pre-trials Conducted: 17 DUIs Completed: 4

Court on 09/15

Cases: 83 Failures to Appear: 23 Resets: 27 Pre-trials Conducted: 18 DUIs Completed: 1

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 0
Medical: 63
Other: 56
Total: 119

2022 Hope Box: Dana Hardin with The Hope Box came to the Smyrna Public Safety Training Center to discuss awareness, procedures, and questions concerning the Safe Haven Laws in Georgia. Smyrna Fire Department and Smyrna Police Department had members in attendance.



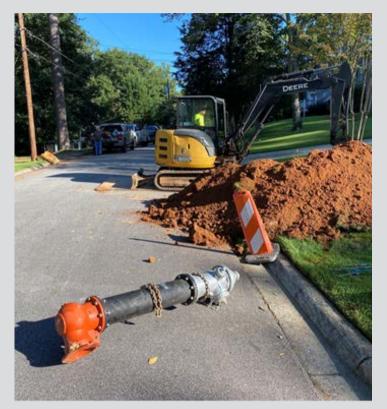


Kiwanis Club: Chief Marcos was invited to speak at the September 20 Kiwanis Club meeting, where he presented on the priorities of the Smyrna Fire Department.



The Burn Foundation: The Executive Director of the Georgia Firefighters Burn Foundation (GFBF) Dennis Gardin, came to Smyrna to discuss the mission of the GFBF. The Smyrna Fire Department hopes to keep and grow a strong relationship with this organization to better assist our community.

PUBLIC WORKS



Stone Creek Drive Water Main Installation: KM Davis completed a water main installation on Stone Creek Drive to remove old galvanized pipes out of the system. Landscaping and roadway repairs will be scheduled to complete the project. This project is 99% complete. Pictured left.

Argo Road Water Main Replacement: A meeting was held with the contractor this week to replace the Argo Road water main. Locates are to be called in to start the replacement process the last week of September.

Highlands Water Main and Service Replacement: The Water/Sewer Department is replacing and upgrading outdated water mains and services. The Highlands waterline project is in progress. Areas are selected after being reviewed by staff due to the number of leaks and breaks or the integrity of the pipe. Staff is aiming to be proactive instead of reactive to these issues because water mains and services are crucial infrastructures to the community. This project is 8% complete.

Closed-Circuit TV Pipe Inspection: The Water/Sewer Department is currently grading sewer infrastructure with closed-circuit TV equipment. This technology allows sewer crews to view lines in real time and determine if the pipe condition or flow is being impeded. Pipe inspections cut down on fuel costs, repairs, and maintenance to our emergency sewer equipment such as the jet truck and video inspection equipment. Staff will grade each ward and areas that need attention will be addressed. This project is being extended to Wards 4 and 5. Wards 1 and 2 have been completed.

Water Valve Maintenance: Crews are performing valve maintenance in Wards 4 and 5 to ensure the valves are located and accessible. This maintenance reduces downtime and provides flushing of the system during water main breaks. While performing maintenance, crews are marking valves in the roadway with reflective markings to help staff locate valves when overnight emergencies arise. This project is 20% complete.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Upcoming Events:

- Document Shredding: Saturday, September 24
- Independent Clean Up: Global Ismaili CIVIC Day of Service: Sunday, September 25

Register at https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/



Document Shredding: Document Shredding will be held on Saturday, September 24 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at the Aline Wolfe Adult Recreation Center. The event is open to all and is for paper only.

Annual Jonquil Bulb Sale: The annual Keep Smyrna Beautiful Jonquil Bulb Sale is coming up soon! Bulbs will be sold at the Smyrna Recycling Center and at the Keep Smyrna Beautiful booth at the Crafts & Drafts Festival on October 29 and 30. They are \$20 for a bag of 40 bulbs (cash or credit). Profits will support Keep Smyrna Beautiful programming.



Recycling Center: Last Friday, four patrons took the monthly tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center. Tours take place the third Friday of the month at 9:00 AM.

Community Garden: Seven gardeners participated in a workday at the garden on Saturday. A new raised bed was built and installed. The garden also hosted Cobb Master Gardener Gayle Evans for a presentation on organic pest control practices.



ENGINEERING



Traffic Loop Repairs: Our Traffic Signal Technicians are finalizing the traffic loop replacement at the intersection of Concord Road and Hurt Road. Once work is complete, we will begin replacing the setback loops at the intersection of Village Parkway and Lake Park Drive. The setback loops are needed for the approach on the mainline, heading northbound on Village Parkway.

Traffic Signal Retiming Study: The Engineering Department is working with Kimley-Horn to conduct a retiming study of the signals along Atlanta Road, Spring Road, Concord Road, and South Cobb Drive. The clearance intervals were finalized last week for the pedestrian, yellow, and red clearance times. The updated signal cycle lengths and split allocations are forthcoming. We anticipate the new signal timings to be implemented towards the end of this year.

Speed Studies: Traffic speed and volume data is being collected on Concord Walk Drive in the Concord Walk subdivision. A radar sign was installed on September 19 and will collect traffic data for approximately 2 weeks. The results will be analyzed by the Engineering Department to determine if traffic calming measures are warranted.



PARKS AND RECREATION



New Social Media: Parks and Recreation has new social media pages! Follow the new pages on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on all programs and events.

Facebook: Smyrna Parks and Recreation Instagram: @SmyrnaParks_

PARKS AND RECREATION





Staff Spotlight: Congratulations to Historic Facilities Maintenance Technician Carl Deloach, and Community Center Maintenance Technician Alex Warner, for 10 years of service with the City of Smyrna. Parks and Recreation is proud of the hard work they do everyday to offer well maintained facilities to visitors.

Smyrna Spook Fest: Join Parks and Recreation for Smyrna Spook Fest 2022. On Friday, October 28, bring your family for tricks and treats and enjoy seasonal decorations at Taylor-Brawner Park from 5 PM-10 PM. Festival goers will have access to an Enchanted Trail Walk (suitable for children of all ages) and a Haunted Trail Walk with spooky scares (may not be suitable for young children). A DJ will pump up the dance party in front of Brawner Hall and there will be vendors for refreshments and candy! The cost is \$20 per family. A discount of \$5 is available for City of Smyrna residents and early bird registration through September 30.



Fall Photography Contest is Here! This fall our contest will focus on the beautiful landscape around Smyrna. The contest will begin August 1st and run through the end of October. All contest submissions can be emailed to parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov. The winner will have the chance to be featured on the cover of the next issue of The Tap! **Photography Challenge:** Do you enjoy taking pictures? 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 for the photography challenge can be sent to parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov through October. The winner will have a chance to be featured on the next addition of The Tap!

Acting Camp: CandiNews Productions will be hosting acting camps at the Community Center from September 26-30. Grades K-2 will explore Disney's *Moana* and grades 3-5 will enjoy a one-week camp of *The Greatest Showman*! Registration is open: https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



Fall Family Programming: The library was particularly busy the week of September 12-18. Besides toddler and preschooler story times, Youth Services hosted the ever-popular LEGO Club and families decorated hats on National Hat Day. Adult Services hosted a Tinker Lab where adults and children collaborated to make Sail Cars, and adults painted Alebrijes to kick off the library's celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. Library programmers have two more art workshops as well as a special story time planned for Hispanic Heritage Month.

New Donor: Zachary Hiatt of Modern Woodmen of America reached out to the library to express interest in partnering with the library on fundraisers or programming. In support of the Friends' August book sale fundraiser, Modern Woodmen donated \$100. The Friends' fundraiser will support a new collection of Wonderbooks for the Youth Services department. Mr. Hiatt brought by the check on September 12, and he and Mary Moore discussed future partnership opportunities.



Visitors: Library: 2,791 Museum: 16

Mt. Zion Research Project: On Tuesday, September 13, Museum Manager Jennie Eldredge met with Chad Keller, Director of the Heritage Preservation Program at Georgia State University, and graduate student Lauren Reeves at Mt. Zion Cemetery. Ms. Reeves is beginning a documentation project on Mt. Zion Cemetery under the supervision of Mr. Keller and Ms. Eldredge.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

141 Inspections

73 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$7,263,159.00

Building New / Residential (7)

(7) New Construction – 605 Reed Rd Se – 1544, 1540, 1536, 1532, 1528, 1524 Purple Coneflower Ave SE **Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$6,770,000.00

Building Remodel / Residential (14)

(1) Additions (6) Re-roof (7) Interior Renovation **Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$403,159.00

Building Remodel / Commercial (2)

(1) Interior Renovation/Tenant Finish
-1955 Lake park Dr SE
(1) Demolition Permit
-2979 Jonquil Dr SE

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$90,000.00

HVAC (7) Electrical (3) Plumbing (4) Signs (2)

New Businesses

Rejuvenate A New You llc

Child Care Services 2960 Cobb Parkway,STE A-4 Ward 1

Showdown Travel & Transport, LLC

Limousine Service Home Business Ward 2

Renata Nicole Beauty LLC

Beauty Salons 3240 South Cobb Drive, STE 850, RM 214 Ward 3

The Nesbitt Agency, LLC

Insurance Agencies and Brokerages 1125 Concord Road Ward 3

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