



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, October 17, 2022

Pre-Council Meeting
6:30 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall
Admin Conference Room

Monday, October 17, 2022

Mayor and Council Meeting
7:00 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall
Council Chambers

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

Joint Town Hall Meeting - Wards 1, 2 & 3
7:00 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall
Council Chambers

ADMINISTRATION



Girl Scouts Visit: On Monday, October 10th, Mayor Norton and Councilman Wheaton hosted a group of 14 Girl Scouts from Nickajack. This year they are working on their Democracy badge, and one of the steps involves talking to leaders at the local government level. The Mayor and Dr. Wheaton fielded some great questions from the Girl Scouts and gave them a tour of City Hall, the Council Chambers, and the Mayor's office.



Hispanic Heritage Celebration: Join us in downtown Smyrna on October 15th from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM for the second annual Hispanic Heritage Celebration! Smyrna's Hispanic Heritage Celebration will close out Hispanic Heritage Month with a DJ, live performances, food, local vendors, children's activities, a movie featuring *Encanto* on the Veterans Memorial Lawn at 8:00 PM, and so much more! CORE (Community Organized Relief Effort) will also be onsite providing free COVID-19 vaccines. Visit the city's website and Facebook for full details.

Yo Soy Smyrna Shirts: Celebrate our diverse community with a Yo Soy Smyrna t-shirt or sweatshirt! The Yo Soy Smyrna logo was thoughtfully created by our Hispanic heritage planning committee consisting of Smyrna residents, business owners, and leaders. Orders can be placed until Oct. 18th.

ADMINISTRATION



Smyrna Youth Council: Several members of the Smyrna Youth Council volunteered to pass out cupcakes as part of Smyrna's 150th birthday celebration on October 8. Thank you to everyone who volunteered!

COURT SERVICES



Court on 10/04

Cases: 110
Failures to Appear: 20
Resets: 36
Pre-trials Conducted: 31
DUIs Completed: 5

Court on 10/06 (Trials)

Cases: 11
Failures to Appear: 0
Resets: 3
Pre-trials Conducted: 2
DUIs Completed: 1

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 32
 Citations: 183
 Warnings: 57
 Calls for Service: 727



FIRE DEPARTMENT



Smyrna's 150th Birthday Celebration: Smyrna Fire collaborated with numerous city departments to help Smyrna's 150th birthday celebration run smoothly and safely for our citizens.

Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 3
 Medical: 74
 Other: 44
 Total: 121



Recruit Class 22-02: Smyrna Fire's recruit school training and team building is in full swing!

Smyrna Business Association Luncheon: The Smyrna Business Association luncheon was held on Thursday, October 6 at the Community Center. The luncheon consisted of a panel including Fire Chief Brian Marcos, Police Chief Keith Zgonc, and Smyrna Public Safety Foundation Executive Director Denize Czarnik.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Upcoming Events

- Adopt-a-Mile Cleanup: October 15
- Bulk Trash Amnesty Day: October 22



Community Cleanup: On Friday, October 7, two Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers picked up 50 pounds of litter, including 18 pounds of recycling, on Windy Hill Road.



Adopt-a-Tree: On Saturday morning, a Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteer rescued 40+ trees from a lot that is about to be developed. Those trees will soon be available to Smyrna residents through the Adopt-a-Tree program. Those interested can learn more and fill out an interest form to adopt a tree at keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/adopt-a-tree

Annual Jonquil Bulb Sale: The annual Keep Smyrna Beautiful Jonquil Bulb Sale is in full swing! Bulbs can be purchased 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).

Bulky Trash Amnesty Day: Bulky Trash Amnesty Day will be on October 22 from 8:00 AM-1:00 PM at Smyrna Public Works. This event is open to Smyrna residents.

BULKY TRASH AMNESTY DAY
 HOSTED BY KEEP SMYRNA BEAUTIFUL & SMYRNA PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

October 22, 2022 | 8 a.m. to 1pm
 Smyrna Public Works, 2190 Atlanta Rd
 Open to Smyrna residents

JONQUIL BULB SALE
 PRESENTED BY KEEP SMYRNA BEAUTIFUL

Help us cover the Jonquil City with Jonquils!
 \$20 for a bag of 40 bulbs
 Sale begins late September

Bulbs can be purchased at the Smyrna Recycling Center (3475 Lake Drive) during open hours or at the Keep Smyrna Beautiful booth at the Crafts & Drafts Festival on October 29 & 30.

For more information, visit:
www.keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/jonquil-bulbs

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Litter-Free Event: On Saturday evening, Keep Smyrna Beautiful board member Lisa Castleberry and her husband Robert handed out 198 litter bags at Smyrna's Birthday Celebration to keep the event litter-free!



PUBLIC WORKS

Streets Department Projects: The Streets Department has been hard at work on the following projects:

- Completed Collier Drive sidewalk project
- Began Dixie Avenue sidewalk project
- Repaired sidewalk on King Valley Drive
- Repaired sunken road issues at Guthrie Street, Westbrook Drive, and the parking lot beside the museum
- Continued work on monthly right of way mowing list
- Assisted with Birthday Celebration set up

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. The contractor is currently in Ward 4 and the project is being extended to Ward 5. Wards 1 and 2 have been completed. The project is 93% complete.

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 55% complete.

Leak Detection: As part of the yearly water loss prevention project, water distribution is currently conducting leak detection in Ward 4. Staff will be in this area for the next two weeks ensuring there are no hidden water leaks. Without proper leak detection, millions of gallons could be lost due to small leaks that are not visible on aging systems.

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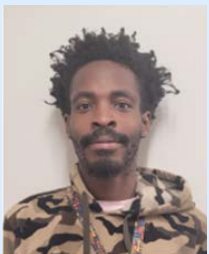
Water Main and Service Replacement: The Water/Sewer Department is replacing and upgrading outdated water mains and services. Areas are selected after being reviewed by staff for leaks and breaks. Staff is aiming to be proactive instead of reactive to these issues because water mains and services are crucial infrastructures to the community. Three projects are currently active as part of this program:

- Highlands Water Main Replacement: This project has been ongoing for three weeks and is 15% complete. This area consists of roughly one mile of water main replacement in addition to 81 service connections.
- Argo Road Water Main Replacement: Locates are to be called in to start the replacement process the in early October.
- Stone Creek Drive Water Main Installation: Landscaping and roadway repairs will be scheduled. This project is 99% complete.



New Equipment: The city recently purchased a new piece of equipment: a concrete crusher. Owning this piece of equipment will generate cost savings for the city and will provide the ability to recycle material for reuse on future projects.

HUMAN RESOURCES



Robert Wilson
Sanitation Worker
Public Works
Hired: 10/10



Josiah Davis
Detention Officer
Police Department
Hired: 10/10



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Crafts for a Cause: On Tuesday, October 4, eighteen Crafts for a Cause teens including several members of the Help a Hound club at Campbell High School came together to make cloth dog toys. The Help a Hound club's mission is to find forever homes for puppies. The club works closely with Bosley's Place, a local rescue and nursery exclusively for homeless and orphaned neonatal (0-4 week old) puppies. We were so happy to partner with Help a Hound and hope the sweet puppies at Bosley's Place enjoy their new toys!



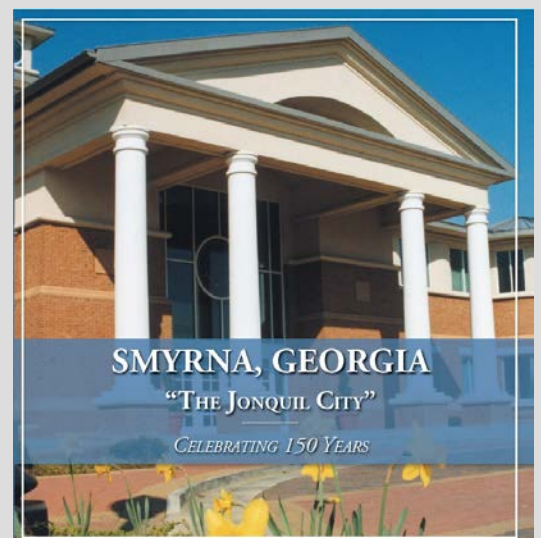
Museum Exhibit: Smyrna Museum debuted a new exhibit, "What I Love About Smyrna," on Wednesday, October 5. Visitors can explore the Smyrna of today and learn what their neighbors love about this city. They may also leave their thoughts to share with others. The exhibit runs through September 2023.

Visitors:

Library: 2,415

Museum: 6

Sesquicentennial Book For Sale: The commemorative book for Smyrna's 150th birthday arrived last week. The books are \$26 each and will be sold at Smyrna Museum, Smyrna Library, Smyrna Community Center, and the Wolfe Center. Locations can accept cash, check, or credit card payments. Proceeds from the sale help to defray the cost of publishing and printing the books.



PARKS AND RECREATION

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.



Photography Challenge: There are only a few weeks left to participate in the 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!

Smyrna Handmade Market: Only two weeks left to enjoy the 2022 Smyrna Handmade Market! Find your favorite handmade goods including baked goods, homemade soaps, local honey, handmade art, and more. Visit the market each Sunday in the Market Village between 11:00 AM-3:00 PM through October 23.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

159 Inspections
77 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$5,181,259.14

Building Remodel / Commercial (5)

- (2) Interior Renovation/Tenant Finish
 - 2762 Cumberland Blvd SE
 - 3949 South Cobb Dr SE
- (1) Land Disturbance
 - 3949 South Cobb Dr SE
- (1) Demolition
 - 2811 Madison St SE

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$5,020,098.00

Building Remodel / Residential (11)

- (2) Additions
- (3) Re-roof
- (3) Interior Renovation
- (1) Solar Panel/Generators
- (2) Other

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$161,161.14

HVAC (6) Plumbing (4) Signs (2) Tree (3)

New Businesses

Shields Electric

All Other Specialty Trade Contractors
Home Business
Ward 5

KGPS F&B LLC

Limited-Service Restaurants
3240 South Cobb Drive, STE 1100
Ward 3

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