



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, January 25, 2023

License and Variance Board 10:00 AM A. Max Bacon City Hall - Admin Conference Room

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 30 Citations: 215 Warnings: 63 Calls for Service: 694

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 7
Medical: 77
Other: 49
Total: 133

After-Action Review: Smyrna Fire Battalion Chief Eric Farmer held an After-Action Review (AAR) for personnel this week. Members from fire prevention, training, and health and safety participated in this presentation. An AAR is used to debrief an incident or event and understand what took place, why it happened the way it did, and how to improve on it. It can highlight areas of strength or concern for operations and your team.



PARKS AND RECREATION

Staff Spotlight: Parks and Recreation congratulates Community Center Maintenance Technician Marcus Boykins for five years of service. Marcus' supervisor Jeff Crowder was proud to present Marcus with this recognition. Jeff said Marcus is a crucial member of the Parks and Recreation team and his years of service are appreciated.





PARKS AND RECREATION



Daddy Daughter Dance: Registration for the Daddy Daughter Dance on February 10 is open. The event is from 6:00 PM-9:00 pm at the Community Center and will be an exciting evening for participants. This year's theme is Smyrna Sox Hop, so grab those poodle skirts and leather jackets and meet your friends on the dance floor. The cost is \$60 per father and daughter couple with a \$10 city resident discount. Register before January 20 to receive \$20 off your tickets! Registering with more than 1 daughter? You will receive 50% off each additional daughter registered. Register at <u>https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrnaga/catalog</u>. For more details, head over to <u>Smyrna Parks and Recreation's Facebook page</u> or contact Ashley Putnam at 678-631-5392 / <u>aputnam@smyrnaga.gov</u>.

Science Camp: Science Camp registration is open! Camp will take place during Cobb County School District's winter break on February 20–24 from 9:00 AM–12:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. The cost is \$75.00 per camper with a \$10 discount for city residents. Register at https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog.

Mother-Son Nerf Wars: Registration for the Mother-Son Nerf Wars event will open on January 30. Stay tuned for the exciting details!

Chess Class Cancelled: The chess class that was scheduled to begin on January 18 has been canceled due to a lack of registration.





This contest theme will focus on "The People of Smyrna"!

The contest will run through the end of March. Send your favorite Smyrna photos, that you have personally captured, to parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov. Winners will be announced the week after the contest closes.

Smyrna

If you have any questions about the contest, please email parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov or give us a call at 678-631-5392. **Photography Contest:** Parks and Recreation's Winter Photography Contest has begun and will end on March 31. The theme is "The People of Smyrna." Send photos to <u>parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov</u>. If you have any questions, call (678) 631-5392.

Wolfe Center Freeze Update: After pipes busted during the December freeze, Wolfe Center staff is operating classes out of the Community Center until repairs are complete. Last week, the Community Center hosted 25 Wolfe Center fitness classes with a total of 220 participants. The Community Center also welcomed the Wolfe Center's social activities including drawing, canasta, bridge, hand and foot, Mah Jongg, and Rummikub.

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



Visitors: Library: 2,334 Museum: 15

Martin Luther King, Junior Craft Pop-Up: The Smyrna Museum welcomed 15 visitors during their craft pop-up event on Saturday.

Art Exhibits: The Friends of Smyrna Library sponsor bimonthly art exhibits in the library's upstairs gallery and display cases. Currently on display in the gallery is modern art by Rebecca Bounds-Brown. Acrylics & art glass by Helen DuBiner is on exhibit in the display cases. Both exhibits are on display through February 28.

Tinker Lab: Tinker Lab is a monthly program for an adult and child to work collaboratively on a hands-on STEM project. On Wednesday, January 11, participants made "rubber band racers" which utilized potential energy trapped by the rubber bands to propel the cars. Participants were allowed to take home their car to continue improving and experimenting with the design.

Digital Materials Checkouts: Several years ago, Smyrna Library joined a consortium of libraries, Georgia Download Destination (GADD), that shares eBook and eAudiobook collections, allowing our customers access to a far greater range of titles than what Smyrna can provide alone. Recently it was announced that GADD reached a record-breaking 1.8 million digital book checkouts in 2022. Since launching in 2008, GADD has built a collection of over 103,000 ebooks, audiobooks and magazines that are available for checkout 24 hours a day, seven days a week, on the Libby Overdrive app for Android, Apple, Chromebook, and Kindle devices.







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WATER DISTRIBUTION

Training:

- Staff trained this week on sewer camera operations and best management practices.
- Management will be attending two training sessions the week of January 23 including University of Georgia management training and water loss audit training and certification.

Large Meter Testing and Calibration: Large meter testing for commercial and multifamily units began on January 9. Staff tests meters annually to ensure accuracy. Meters range from 2" to 12" serving large complexes and HOA communities. Contractor Reed and Shows will be performing this work throughout the city, including city buildings. Once testing is performed, calibration and repairs will be made if necessary.



Water Valve Maintenance: Crews are performing valve maintenance in Ward 4 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. Projects will be ongoing through 2023.

Water Main and Service Replacement: Staff is replacing and upgrading outdated water mains and services. Areas are selected after being reviewed 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.

- Highlands Water Main Replacement: Dundee Drive section is complete
- Argo Road Water Main Replacement: Complete
- Roswell Street Water Main Replacement: Phase one has begun from Spring Street to Old Roswell Street
- Starline Drive: Awaiting approval from Mayor and Council

Closed-Circuit TV Pipe Inspection: Sewer infrastructure is being graded with closed-circuit TV equipment. This technology allows staff to view lines in real time and determine pipe conditions. Staff is marking the direction of flow around manholes and worked on monthly problem areas this week. These monthly areas will be visited for one week every month until the problem areas can be remediated. The monthly list has decreased from 36 areas to 19. Staff has located many areas with issues that need to be addressed with cured-in-place liner. Repairs will be non-invasive with no excavation needed. Upcoming locations to be rehabbed include Tecumseh Trail, Howell Drive, Dunn Street, and Highland Drive.

Projects Out to Bid: TV video, cleaning, and CIPP spot repair sanitary sewer system (bid opening February 10)

PUBLIC WORKS

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

- Continued work on Pat Mell Road sidewalk project
- Worked on various road repairs at King Street, Roswell Street, Clifton Road, and Shawnee Trail
- Resolved a line of sight issue on King Springs Road at Rhyne Circle
- Removed a tree from the roadway at Ann Road

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



KEEP SMYRNA Beautiful

KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE

Recycling Center Tour: The first monthly tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center is coming up on Friday, January 20. You can <u>reserve your spot online</u>. These tours happen on the third Friday of the month from 9:00-10:00 AM.

New Look: Keep Smyrna Beautiful has a new look! We've updated our mission and logo to reflect the work of the organization and the values of Smyrna residents more clearly. After a 2022 survey, constituents revealed that many believed recycling was Keep Smyrna Beautiful's only area of interest. While recycling is a crucial part of our mission, it doesn't encompass all that we do. We felt that our logo needed to be more inclusive of our work for Smyrna and the environment.





Adopt-a-Tree: We have dogwood seedlings available! Fill out our <u>Adopt-a-Tree interest form</u> if you'd like to reserve one of those seedlings or any of the other trees we have ready for adoption.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

72 Inspections 44 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$1,362,387.02

Building Remodel/ Residential (3)

(2) Re-roof (1) Addition Estimated Cost of Construction: \$52,551.00

Building New / Residential (6)

(6) New Construction -1740, 1736, 1732, 1728, 1724, 1720 Hyssop Blvd SE

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

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

<u>Building Remodel /</u> <u>Commercial (7)</u>

(5) Interior Renovated/Tenant Finish

- –2800 King St SE
- –884 Church St SE
- -200 Legion Dr SE
- -4595 South Cobb Dr SE
- -2300 Lake Park Dr SE Unt 150
- (1) Modular Construction Office
- -200 Village Green Cir SE
- (1) Other
- -2085 Lake Park Rd SE Unt A

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$229,836.02

New Businesses

Klynn Gifts & Goods

All Other General Merchandise Retailers Home Business Ward 3

Guadalupe llc

Offices of Physicians 696 Windy Hill Road Ward 5 **Smoke World S Cobb Drive LLC** Tobacco, Electronic Cigarette, and Other Smoking Supplies Retailers 3243 South Cobb Drive Ward 3

1105 Events

Event Planning

Home Business

Ward 5

CS Lisenby Photography

Photographers Home Business Ward 4

Renewed Wellness LLC

Offices of All Other Miscellaneous Health Practitioners 1246 Concord Road, STE C101 Ward 6

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