



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, March 20, 2023

Pre-Council Meeting
6:30 PM
Community Center
Oak Room

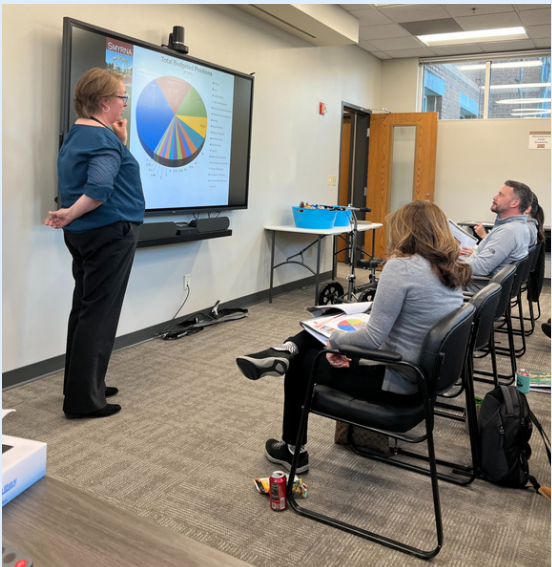
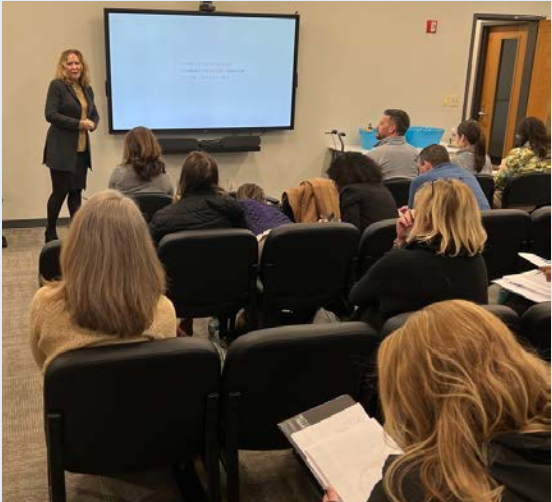
Monday, March 20, 2023

Mayor and Council Meeting
7:00 PM
Community Center
Magnolia Room

Wednesday, March 22, 2023

License and Variance Board Meeting
10:00 AM
A. Max Bacon City Hall
HR Training Room

ADMINISTRATION

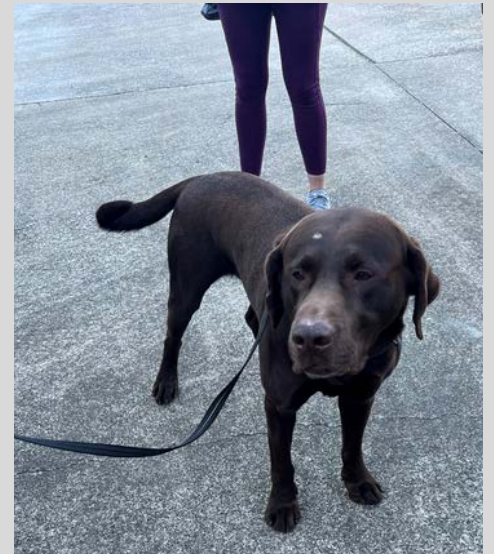


Smyrna Citizens Academy: Citizens Academy participants met with Finance, Human Resources, and Community Relations on Tuesday evening. They were given presentations on department operations and had the opportunity to ask staff questions about their departments. Thank you Kristin, Carol, and Jennifer for presenting!

Smyrna Youth Council at Campbell High School College and Career Fair: Several members from the Smyrna Youth Council attended the College and Career Fair at Campbell High School and passed out informational flyers promoting their upcoming virtual job fair on their Instagram page (@smyrna_youthcouncil). Be sure to give them a follow! Pictured are Youth Council members Haily (left) and Abi (right).



ADMINISTRATION



Smyrna Youth Council with Smyrna Police Department: Members of the Smyrna Youth Council visited the Police Department Training Center on Wednesday evening. They were given a demonstration by the SWAT team and got to meet Smyrna's K-9 Max! Thank you Major Defense and the SWAT team for putting together such a fun night!

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 36
Citations: 250
Warnings: 86
Calls for Service: 705

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 1
 Medical: 71
 Other: 47
 Total: 119

Paramedic Graduates: Congratulations to our newest Paramedics: Firefighter Josh Paul and Firefighter Sam Counts. They completed the Paramedic program through Metro Ambulance. Pictured left to right are Battalion Chief Westbrook, Battalion Chief Durden, Battalion Chief Farmer, Engineer Frankovich, Firefighter Josh Paul, Captain Joe Paul, Firefighter Counts, and Division Chief Bates.

HUMAN RESOURCES



Wellness Day: Smyrna Wellness Day was on Friday, March 10 at Tolleson Park! Staff enjoyed great food, played fun games, and participated in team building activities. Thank you to all who helped put this event together!

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Field Trip at the Recycling Center:

Keep Smyrna Beautiful welcomed 72 2nd, 3rd, and 4th graders from Bryant Elementary School and their teachers to the Recycling Center on Monday, March 13. The students toured the Recycling Center and took part in a papermaking activity to learn how recycling works. Next week, the Recycling Center will welcome the kindergartners, 1st graders, and 5th graders.



Document Shredding: Coming up this Saturday, March 18 is the spring Document Shredding event at the Aline Wolfe Adult Recreation Center from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. This is the perfect opportunity to shred and recycle your documents for free! Donations are accepted.

DOCUMENT SHREDDING



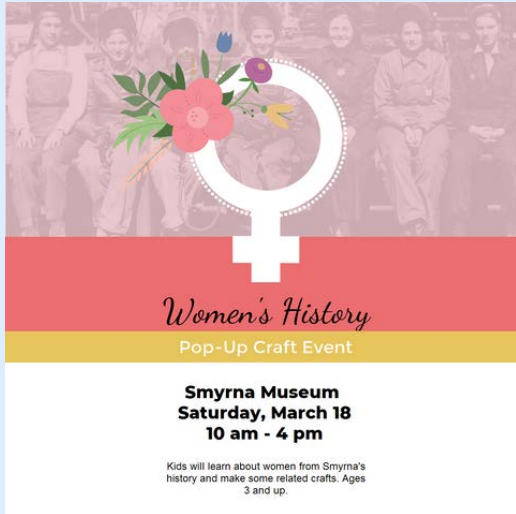
Adopt-a-Tree: The Adopt-a-Tree program has placed 118 trees since the beginning of the year. Since the planting season is quickly coming to an end, we're seeking folks to adopt trees as soon as possible! If you are interested, visit [our online request form](#) and request a tree.

Smyrna Garden Tour Volunteers Needed: We're now recruiting volunteers for the annual Smyrna Garden Tour on May 6! Volunteer shifts are available in the morning and in the afternoon and include opportunities to check-in volunteers, serve as a "garden docent," and work at the tea room or the plant sale. Sign up today! If you have not volunteered with Keep Smyrna Beautiful before, you'll be sent an online waiver to fill out in advance.

Smyrna Garden Tour Tickets: Tickets for the Smyrna Garden Tour are now on sale! You can purchase paper tickets at the Smyrna Recycling Center or purchase tickets online at [Eventbrite](#). Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 the day of. Tickets are not needed for children ages 12 and under.



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



Visitors:
 Library: 2,572
 Museum: 7

Women's History Pop-Up Craft Event: Join the Smyrna Museum for a pop-up craft event celebrating Women's History Month this Saturday, March 18 from 10:00 AM-4:00 PM. This event is suitable for ages three and up.

Teen Time: On Tuesday, March 7 the library teens made buttons for seniors at the Wolfe Center to celebrate their activities such as water aerobics, yoga, and bunco!



Genealogy: Professional Genealogist Laura Halls discussed research skills to help genealogy buffs stay organized and how to conduct effective search strategies. The workshop on Friday, March 10 will be complemented by a follow-up workshop when Ms. Halls returns in autumn.

Ozobots: Women's History Month continued with a celebration of women in programming such as Ada Lovelace and Grace Hopper. On Wednesday, March 8 participants programmed Ozobots using color in the library's Tinker Lab.



PARKS AND RECREATION

Parent's Night Out: The next Parent's Night Out will be on April 14 and the theme for the evening will be a pizza party! There is still space to sign-up, and the cost is \$30 per child. All children must be fully potty-trained. This is for ages 4-12 years old. <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>



Easter Egg Hunt: Get ready to hop over to Tolleson Park for the annual Easter Egg Hunt! The Easter Bunny hopes all of his friends will join him on Saturday, April 1 for egg hunts, activities, Easter treats and lots of fun with family and friends. The cost is \$10 per child, with a discount for city residents. Children ages 1-12 are invited to attend. There are limited spots available for various sessions throughout the afternoon, so be sure to secure your spot by registering at <https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog>.

Winter Photography Contest: There are just a few weeks left for the Parks and Recreation Winter Photography Contest. Submit your photos by March 31. The theme is "The People of Smyrna." Send photos to parkphotos@smyrnaga.gov. If you have any questions, please call 678 631-5392.

Hiring Camp Counselors: Do you know someone looking for a summer job or internship in childcare? We are hiring camp counselors for 40 hours per week with pay starting at \$15 an hour. Counselors don't have to work weekends, and we can provide you with an exceptional resume builder in childcare! Applications are now open at smyrnaga.gov! Have questions about the available positions or how to earn college credit for internships? Contact Ashley Putnam at aputnam@smyrnaga.gov or 678-631-5392.



Smyrna Handmade Market: The Smyrna Handmade Market will begin May 7 and run through October 22. Mark your calendar now to attend this very popular event and shop for handmade favorites.

ENGINEERING

Speed Studies: Radar signs were deployed along Cottesford Drive, Woodland Terrace, and Hickory Mill Drive to collect traffic volume and speed data. The Engineering Department has received concerns about speeding in each of these neighborhoods and will review the data to determine if traffic calming measures are warranted.

Infrastructure Repairs: The Engineering Department has been working on several infrastructure repairs:

- Repairs to traffic signal bulbs at the intersection of South Cobb Drive and Benson Poole Road
- Repairing a pedestrian signal that was damaged during a traffic accident at the signal near South Cobb Drive and Pinehill Drive
- Finally repairing a pedestrian assembly that was damaged on Lake Park Drive after a delay on parts

Nickajack Road Silent Railroad Crossing: Norfolk Southern completed construction of the quiet zone railroad crossing at Nickajack Road, between Fontaine Road and Summerwood Drive. This project was completed jointly with Cobb County Department of Transportation as a Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) project.



WATER DISTRIBUTION

Lead Service Inventory: Contractors will be potholing and verifying water service lines as part of the water service line inventory for the Environmental Protection Agency's requirements. Verification has been approached in two different ways:

- Water sample kits are being sent to residents in Ward 3 with qualifying homes built before 1986
- Potholing and physical verification will be taking place in Wards 2 and 6 for qualifying homes



WATER DISTRIBUTION

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: Outdated water mains and services are being upgraded and replaced around the city. This project includes the area of suspected lead service lines. With ARPA and CIP funding these projects, staff is aiming to be proactive instead of reactive to these issues because water mains and services are crucial infrastructures to the community. Several areas are included in this project:

- The Highlands water main replacement (in progress)
- Roswell Street water main and service line replacement (completed except for tying in new water services and landscaping)
- Starline Drive (in progress)



Water Meter Replacements: The remaining $\frac{3}{4}$ water meter replacement project began on March 6. Contractor Reed & Shows will be replacing outdated meters with new digital meters.

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, determine pipe conditions, and make corrections when necessary. Ward 4 has been completed, and several wards are still in progress.

PUBLIC WORKS

Streets Department: The Streets Department has been working on the following projects:

- Continuing work on a drainage issue at Taylor-Brawner Park
- Installing a concrete storage pad at the Public Works facility
- Continuing work on Doeskin Lane drainage project
- Completing asphalt repairs on Northview Place, Alpine Drive, Pierce Avenue, and at Brinkley Park

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

268 Inspections

85 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$2,313,344.00

Building Remodel/ Commercial (2)

- (2) Interior Renovation/Tenant Finish
- 605 Glendale Pl SE
- 1155 Concord Rd SE Unit 110

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$378,000.00

Building New/ Commercial (2)

- (2) Land Disturbance Permit
- 2320 Campbell Rd SE
- 2625 Highland Ave SE

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$1,051,991.00

Building New/ Residential (1)

- (1) New Construction
- 3572 Sherwood Rd SE

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$500,000.00

Building Remodel/ Residential (11)

- (4) Addition
- (6) Interior Renovation
- (1) Re-roof

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$383,353.00

Electrical (1) HVAC (7) Plumbing (2) Signs (2) Tree Removal (3)

New Businesses

Gifting Tree & the Secret Garden Nursery

All Other General
Merchandise Retailers
1275 Concord Road
Ward 3

Goggins Force LLC

Fitness and Recreational
Sports Centers
2304 Old Concord Road
Ward 5

JIREH DOMINICAN HAIR SALON LLC

Beauty Salons
560 Windy Hill Road, Unit E
Ward 5

Anya Baking Lab LLC

Other Management
Consulting Services
Home Business
Ward 6

Simplicity of Touch LLC

Offices of All Other Miscellaneous
Health Practitioners
1246 Concord Road STE C105
Ward 6

Liberty Classical Schools Educational Services, Inc.

Corporate, Subsidiary, and Regional
Managing Offices
400 Technology Court, Unit A
Ward 7

Liberty Classical Schools Foundation, Inc

Offices of Other Holding Companies
400 Technology Court, Unit A
Ward 7

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