

CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

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

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM









Mayor's Reading Club: Mayor Derek Norton hosted another installment of the Mayor's Reading Club on Friday, June 16 at the Reed House. Families enjoyed storytime about the importance of public parks read by Mayor Norton. Afterward, everyone played with balls, frisbees, and bubbles and then ran an obstacle course. Parents took the opportunity to ask the Mayor questions about city plans and to walk the path in the beautiful new event garden. Big thanks to Ashley Putnam and the Parks and Recreation Department for the recreational activities and loaning us the space.

Juneteenth Concert: The Friends of Smyrna Library sponsored a very successful Juneteenth Concert on Sunday, June 18, in the Smyrna Library Meeting Room. A packed house clapped and sang along with vocalist Dileesa Archer in a 45-minute concert of uplifting 20th popular music. Ms. Archer is a singer, vocal coach, and vocal director. Her YouTube videos have accumulated over five million views.

Summer Reading: Smyrna Library kids and teens have already logged 54,900 reading minutes so far this summer. Wow!





Visitors:

Library: 2,984 Museum: 40

Juneteenth Pop-Up Craft: The Smyrna Museum welcomed 21 participants for our Juneteenth Pop-Up Craft event on Saturday.

Cemetery Cleaning Workshop: The Museum will host the second Cemetery Cleaning Workshop of the season this Saturday from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Email Jennie at <u>jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov</u> to volunteer.

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 4

Medical: 114 Other: 69 Total: 187

Congratulations to the New Deputy Fire Chief: Congratulations to Dustin Davey on his appointment to Deputy Fire Chief, effective July 3. Dustin Davey joined the Smyrna Fire Department in 2003. During his time with the City, he has served in numerous capacities to include Division Chief of Training, Division Chief of Fire Prevention, and Fire Marshal. Chief Davey will serve as the Deputy Fire Chief of Administrative Services.

POLICE DEPARTMENT







Outstanding Officer: Earlier this week Officer Beard was on patrol near Rose Garden Park when she observed several teenagers playing basketball. One of the teens playing basketball was wearing a pair of shoes that were beyond worn out. That evening, one of Officer Beard's co-workers happened to be in Dick's Sporting Goods when he observed Officer Beard purchasing a new pair of basketball sneakers for the teen. Officer Beard's actions are like many officers around the country who go out daily and try to make a difference; not because they want any recognition or glory, but because they are good-natured, caring, and committed to serving others. The Smyrna Police Department is grateful to have a shining example of one of those officers, Officer Beard! Thank you for being great and serving our citizens the way you do!

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 26 Citations: 163 Warnings: 22

Calls for Service: 724

Congratulations Major Copeland: On Friday, June 16, Major Doug Copeland graduated from Northwestern University Center for Public Safety. This is a 10-week senior command school for law enforcement executives. Congratulations Major Copeland!

Alive After 5: This past week the Smyrna Public Safety Foundation hosted "Alive after 5!" at our training center. Several community members and business owners gathered to ask questions to our Chief and Deputy Chief, eat some food, and try out our new firearms training simulator.







COURT SERVICES



Court on 06/13

Cases: 65

Failures to Appear: 12

Pre-Trials: 11 DUIs Completed: 0

Court on 06/15

Cases: 71

Failures to Appear: 32

Pre-Trials: 18 DUIs Completed: 1

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. Water sample kits are being sent to residents in Ward 3 with qualifying homes built before 1990. Wards 2 and 6 have been completed. The project is on hold and will resume in the beginning of July.

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. Staff is 40% complete with jetting and cleaning and 30% complete with video inspection in Ward 5. Crews will begin inspecting Ward 3 this month. Ward 2 and Ward 4 are fully completed. This citywide project is expected to be completed by the end of 2025.

Glendale Circle Water Main and Service Replacement: Water and Sewer management is currently getting quotes to replace the Glendale Circle water main line. The area of this main line is pictured right, in the green circle.

The Highlands Water Main and Service Replacement: The Highlands water main replacement is in the 12th week of work and is 75% complete.

Water Meter Replacements: Contractor Reed & Shows is replacing outdated meters with new digital meters. This project is 75% complete.



PUBLIC WORKS



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

- Continuing the Roswell Street sidewalk installation
- Completed sidewalk installation on Hayes Drive
- Trimmed trees off of sidewalk on North Cooper Lake Road
- Continued the monthly right-of-way mowing list

HUMAN RESOURCES



Ada Speegle
Part-Time Customer Service Receptionist
Parks and Recreation
Hired: 6/20



Jermarius Sumter Sanitation Worker Public Works Hired: 6/20



ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES







Storm Drain Marking: Last Tuesday, two Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers braved an impending storm to mark storm drains! Unfortunately, the event was cut short, but they were able to mark eight storm drains before the downpour. Storm drain marks let folks know that the drains lead directly to the creek with no filtration system, so no dumping!

Recycling Center Tour: On Friday, the monthly Smyrna Recycling Center tour hosted ten community members (five adults and five kids). In addition to touring the facility, the children took part in a papermaking activity to simulate paper recycling. They followed up with some excellent coloring. The next monthly tour will be on Friday, July 21. Register here.









Post-Festival Cleanup Supplies: Keep Smyrna Beautiful partnered with Smyrna is Fabulous to offer post-festival cleanup supplies for last Saturday's pride festival. Keep Smyrna Beautiful also provided recycling bins so attendees could recycle plastic water bottles handed out at the event.

Volunteering with Keep Smyrna Beautiful: Looking for a way to help? Keep Smyrna Beautiful is always looking for individual volunteers, Adopt-a-Mile groups, and other group volunteers! <u>Click here to learn more.</u>



PARKS AND RECREATION

WolfePac Field Trip: Several Wolfe Center members enjoyed a trip to see the Seven Murals of Meriwether County on Friday, June 16. The Mural Trail is made of artwork by renowned artist John W. Christian, in which he created unique murals for each of the seven municipalities in Meriwether County. After experiencing the history of the murals, the WolfePac enjoyed lunch at the Bulloch House, a historic location in Warm Springs, Georgia.









Durham Park: Durham Park recently had its swings, porticos, and boardwalks fully restored. These repairs will offer citizens a safe and enjoyable area that is equally beautiful.

Concert in The Garden: Parks and Recreation will be hosting a concert in the garden this Friday, June 23, at the Reed House Event Garden! There will be music by Edgewood String Quartet playing selections from nature. The venue opens at 6:00 PM and the concert begins at 7:30 PM. There will be a cash bar with beer, wine, and mixed drinks. Tickets are \$40 for one or \$75 for two. Seating is limited. Register now!

Movie Night in the Park: Join Parks and Recreation this Saturday, June 24, for the ultimate movie night showing of *Top Gun: Maverick!* Register your family now and "fly" on out to Taylor-Brawner Park for a movie, popcorn, and treats for all registered guests. Bring your blankets and chairs, along with any additional snacks, and enjoy a night under the stars. The movie begins at 8:00 PM and costs \$10 per family (register the head of household only please). Don't miss out! Registration is required in advance. No onsite registration is permitted.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

125 Inspections

51 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$1,697,141.20

Building Remodel/ Commercial (6)

(4) Interior Renovation

- -2057 Lake Park Dr. SE, Unit APT N
- -2055 Lake Park Dr. SE, Unit APT Q
- -1810 Spring Rd SE, Unit STE 5
- -4570 S Cobb Dr SE

(2) Other Renovation

-2063 Lake Park Dr. SE x 2

Estimated Cost of

Construction: \$1,372,000.00

Building Remodel/ Residential (5)

- (3) Interior Renovation
- (2) Roof Replacements

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$325,141.20

HVAC (10) Electrical (2) Tree Removal (2)

New Businesses

Chabelly Batista-De La Cruz

Offices of All Other Miscellaneous Health Practitioners 3499 S Cobb Drive, STE 107 Ward 3

MaRae Simone Design Group

Interior Design Services Home Business Ward 4

Stylist Shear Service LLC

Commercial and Industrial Machinery and Equipment Repair and Maintenance Home Business Ward 4

Evergood, LLC

Residential Property Managers Home Business Ward 5

RGG Holdings, LP

Payroll and Accounting Services 912 Daniell Drive Ward 5

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