

## CITY OF SMYRNA

### STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

### Monday, August 21, 2023

Pre-Council Meeting 6:30 PM To Be Determined

### Monday, August 21, 2023

Mayor and Council Meeting 7:00 PM To Be Determined

### Wednesday, August 23, 2023

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

### Wednesday, August 23, 2023

Downtown Development Authority/Urban Design Commission Meeting 12:00 PM Admin Conference Room A. Max Bacon City Hall

**Municipal Election Qualifying:** Municipal Election Qualifying will take place on August 22-24 from 8:30 AM-4:30 PM in the HR Training Room at A. Max Bacon City Hall and will be closed for lunch from 12:00-1:00 PM daily.

### **COURT SERVICES**



#### Court on 08/08

Cases: 90 Failures to Appear: 28 Pre-Trials: 11 DUIs Completed: 0

### Trials on 08/10

Cases: 2 Failures to Appear: 0 Pre-Trials: 0

**Court Services:** Court Services had a potato bar party last week in between court sessions. Each employee brought a different ingredient or dessert to make for a very yummy feast. Potato party hats brought by Court Services Clerk Jennifer Scarboro made the party extra festive!

## HUMAN RESOURCES



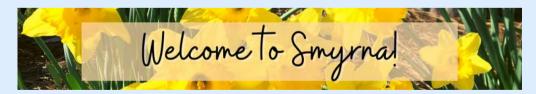
Danielle Stanley Part Time Program Assistant Environmental Services Hired: 08/14



Zachary Graziosi Part Time Community Center Attendant Parks and Recreation Hired: 08/14



Jaylon Marchman Streets Maintenance Worker Public Works Hired: 08/14



## FIRE DEPARTMENT



### **Weekly Incident Totals**

Fire: 1 Medical: 106 Other: 67 Total: 174

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**



### **Weekly Police Totals**

Arrests: 30 Citations: 231 Warnings: 45 Calls for Service: 773

**Thank You Gene Crawford:** Thank you Gene Crawford for 40 years of service with the Smyrna Police Department. Gene received a wooden plaque commemorating his 40 years made by the talented Lieutenant Singleton.

## ENGINEERING

**Citation Live for Red Light Cameras:** The citation period for the red light cameras at Spring Road and Cumberland Boulevard began on Monday, August 14. Warning signs were placed on some of the major corridors at the city limits and on all approaches of the traffic signal. Red light cameras are also underway at the intersection of South Cobb Drive and East-West Connector/Cumberland Boulevard.

**SR 280 Resurfacing Project:** The traffic loops and roadway striping is complete for the SR 280 resurfacing project. Engineering staff is working closely with the Georgia Department of Transportation to ensure that all of the traffic loops are active and signal timing is working properly.



## **PUBLIC WORKS**

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

- Continuing the King Springs Road sidewalk project
- Continuing the Chuck Camp Park pad installation
- Removing trees from the roadway on Lake Park Drive, Highview Drive, Rita Way, Medlin Street, and Aline Wolfe Road
- Continued the monthly right-of-way mowing list

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

**Council Chambers:** Progress is continuing to be made in the Council Chambers. After the bench install is completed, the only tasks left are touching up paint and deep cleaning.



## WATER DISTRIBUTION



**Outfall Lines:** Staff is inspecting and clearing outfall lines around the city. Outfall lines are what connect sewers to subdivisions and streets so sewage can exit to the sewage plant downstream.

**Glendale Circle Water Main and Service Replacement:** The Glendale Circle water main and service replacement is in progress. This project will improve outdated water infrastructure in the area. KM Davis will be performing the work.

**The Highlands Water Main and Service Replacement:** The Highlands water main replacement is in progress and is 80% complete.

**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. Contractors have begun inspecting Ward 3. Ward 2 and Ward 4 are fully completed. All areas in need of repairs will be done with the cured-in-place pipe method.

**Meter Boxes and Service Lines:** Staff is marking meter boxes to increase accessibility and replacing broken service lines as they are reported.

**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. Homes in Wards 2 and 4 built before 1986 have been completed. Work in Wards 5 and 6 is underway.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**



**Student Visitor:** Last Wednesday, student Darius Blakely from Kennesaw State University's OWL Job Shadow Program visited Keep Smyrna Beautiful to learn about managing an environmental nonprofit.

**Rivers Alive:** Rivers Alive, our largest water initiative, is an annual litter cleanup along the tributaries that run into the Chattahoochee River, which supplies drinking water for millions in the metro Atlanta area. The event will take place on September 23. Volunteers can register here: <u>https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/rivers-alive/</u>

**Garden Tour 2024:** Volunteer to be on this year's Garden Tour in April 2024. If you have a beautiful Smyrna garden to share, let us know by filling out <u>our online form.</u>

**Pollinator Watering Station DIY Workshop:** Join us on Thursday, August 17 from 6:00-7:00 PM to support local pollinators while creating a beautiful garden treasure. <u>Details and registration can be found here.</u>

**Pollinator Census:** Keep Smyrna Beautiful is helping spread the word about this important and fun citizen science event. On Friday, August 18, and Saturday, August 19, residents are invited to pick a spot outside and take a few minutes to document the pollinators they see and then upload their results. Those who want to participate can visit <u>https://gsepc.org/</u> or pick up a counting sheet at the Keep Smyrna Beautiful table in the Community Center starting on Thursday. We'll also have craft kits there, available while supplies last.

**Environmental Education:** School is in session, and so are our School Partnership programs! Smyrna area schools can now apply for Keep Smyrna Beautiful School Grants for up to \$1,000 to support environmental education, school gardens, and beautification projects. Educators can apply for Teacher Continuing Education Scholarships in environmental topics. Schools can request tours of the Smyrna Recycling Center or inschool presentations by Keep Smyrna Beautiful staff on litter, recycling, watersheds, papermaking, and more! Details about school partnership programs can be found <u>here.</u>



### AUGUST 14 - AUGUST 18

## **PARKS AND RECREATION**



Family Fun Glow Night Paint and Sip: Parks and Recreation invites your entire family to the Family Fun Glow Night Paint and Sip! Join us on Friday, September 15 from 6:00-8:00 PM for an evening filled with family paint time. Refreshments and supplies will be provided to help make this an exciting night for the entire family. Register today at https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog. The cost is \$30 per person.

Girls Night Out Paint and Sip: Girls Night Out Paint and Sip registration is now open! Join Parks and Recreation on Friday, September 1 for "A Night in The City" themed Paint and Sip. Painting supplies are provided for each participant, as well as refreshments to enjoy. The cost is \$45 for two hours of fun. Register today at https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-ga/catalog.

Fall Cookie Decorating Class: Join us for a fall-themed cookie decorating class on Saturday, September 16 from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center! This cookie decorating class is for children ages 5–12 and they will be given an introductory lesson on cookie decorating and spend the morning decorating fall-themed cookies. The cost is \$30 per child. Parents must be present to assist their children. Register at <u>https://secure.rec1.com/GA/smyrna-</u> <u>ga/catalog</u>.



Sept. 16th 11am-1pm **Smyrna Community Center** 

Learn decorating techniques and bring home your delicious

Register at smyrnaga.gov or scan the QR code

Smyrnaga.gov



## **PARKS AND RECREATION**

**Fall Break Camp:** Join Parks and Recreation for an Arts and Crafts Fall Break Camp! This year campers will dive into new creative mediums and explore the world of color! Each day campers will bring home a new masterpiece. If your campers attended last year, don't worry! This year's curriculum will be brand new and not a repeat of last year. Camp will take place on September 25-29 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. It costs \$100 per camper with a \$15 sibling discount. <u>Registration is</u> <u>now open for children ages 5-12 years old.</u>





**Chuck Camp Park:** Now that the concrete has been poured, Gentry has begun assembling the new building at Chuck Camp Park. Once completed, the building will house the new large TVs purchased for use at city events.

**River Line Park:** Kent Quinn Turf along with Parks Maintenance staff worked through the rain to sod bare areas in fields at River Line Park. The fields get an extreme amount of use and staff works hard to keep them in good shape and prepped for soccer.



AUGUST 14 - AUGUST 18

## LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



SMYRNA PUBLIC LIBRARY
SUBJECT LIBRARY
BY THE NUMBERS | 2023

58,535 total checkouts

78% Books

7% Audiovisual

15% eBooks



Kids and adults participated in the Summer Reading Challenge



25,962 library visits

In June and July, the library averaged over 440 visitors each day!

89 programs offered

3,138

1260 new items added to the collection

186,195 reading minutes logged

#### Did you know?

The Friends of Smyrna Library sponsors our Summer Reading program each year?. By underwriting events, craft supplies, and reading incentive prizes, the Friends donated \$4000 to Smyrna Library. Visitors: Library: 3,401 Museum: 11

**Summer Reading:** Smyrna residents of all ages participated in summer reading this year! In total there were 58,535 checkouts, 25,962 library visits, and 186,195 reading minutes logged this summer.



**Smyrna Memorial Cemetery Restoration:** Residents may see evidence of restoration work going on at Smyrna Memorial Cemetery. Ashley Shares, Director of Preservation at Oakland Cemetery, will be working on the weekends to repair about two dozen monuments at the cemetery. Don't worry if you come across a work in progress, Ms. Shares is working hard during this summer heat to complete the repairs. Pictured is an example of a completed repair and an example of repairs in progress.

# **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**



Weekly Inspections:

135 Inspections

49 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$985,553.51

### **Building Remodel/Commercial (3)**

(1) Interior Renovation
-Sunshine Laundromat (540 Windy Hill Rd, STE 100)
(1) Commercial Roof
Replacement/Re-roof
-1 Villa Ct SE
(1) Other
-Chicago Pizza (3150 Highlands Pkwy, STE 101)

**Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$220,000.00

### **Building Remodel/ Residential (9)**

- (1) Addition
- (1) New Construction
- (3) Interior Renovation
- (4) Roof Replacement/Re-roof

**Estimated Cost of Construction:** \$519,853.51

HVAC (20) Electrical (7) Plumbing (6) Grading (1) Sign (2) Tree Removal (3) Pool (2)

### **New Businesses**

### Gvp Enterprises LLC

Residential Remodelers Home Business Ward 1

### Posh Palmetto LLC

All Other General Merchandise Retailers Home Business Ward 2

#### Nicholas Cox C&C LLC

Educational Support Services Home Business Ward 5 Viet Khoa LLC Marketing Consulting Services Home Business Ward 1

Clear Count Bookkeeping LLC

Other Accounting Services Home Business Ward 4

### The Rockstar Xperience LLC

Beauty Salons 2284 Old Concord Road, STE C Ward 5

#### **Eric DSouza**

Residential Property Managers Home Business Ward 2

#### LVM Smyrna, LLLP

Offices of All Other Miscellaneous Health Practitioners 3240 S Cobb Drive, STE 1200 Ward 5

### **BMG Pet Care, LLC**

Pet Grooming Services Home Business Ward 7

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