



# CITY OF SMYRNA

## STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Monday, October 16, 2023**

Pre-Council Meeting

6:30 PM

Smyrna Community Center

Oak Room

**Monday, October 16, 2023**

Mayor and Council Meeting

7:00 PM

Smyrna Community Center

Magnolia Room

# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



**Community Cleanup:** Last Wednesday, five volunteers picked up 61 pounds of litter, including 10 pounds of recyclable material, on Windy Hill Road during a Community Cleanup.



**Litter Free Birthday Celebration:** Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers were out this weekend's Smyrna birthday celebration, handing out trash bags and collecting recycling to keep it a litter free event. Seven volunteers handed out 478 trash bags and collected 16 bags totaling 178 pounds of recycling!

# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

## BULKY TRASH AMNESTY DAY



**Dispose of large trash items for free!**

October 21, 2023, 8:00 am-1:00 pm  
 Smyrna Public Works, 2190 Atlanta Rd.  
 Proof of Smyrna residency required.



**Bulky Trash Amnesty Day:** Save the date! On Saturday, October 21, Smyrna residents can dispose of large items at Smyrna Public Works (2190 Atlanta Road SE) for free as part of Bulky Trash Amnesty Day. This event runs from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. ID or other proof of residency is required. No construction debris, lawnmowers, propane tanks, household hazardous waste, or items containing Freon.

## JONQUIL BULB SALE



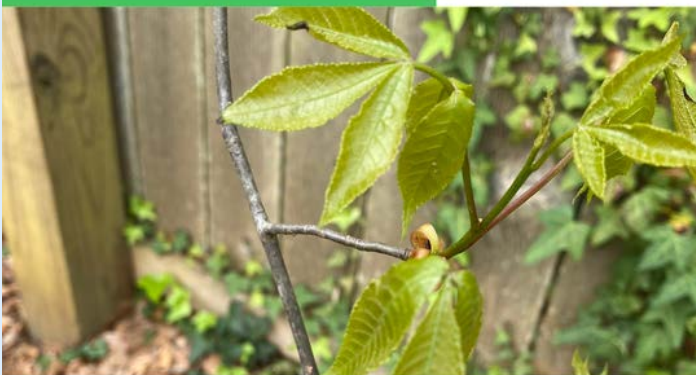
**Available Now!**

\$20 for a bag of 40 bulbs  
 Grab a bag at the Smyrna Recycling Center



**Jonquil Bulb Sale:** The jonquil bulbs are here! We are selling bags of 40 bulbs for \$20 to spread the joy of jonquils in the Jonquil City! They can be purchased at the Smyrna Recycling Center during open hours, at the Smyrna Handmade Market on October 22, and at the Keep Smyrna Beautiful booth at the Crafts and Drafts Festival on October 28 and 29 while supplies last.

## ADOPT-A-TREE



**Small trees rescued from developments are available for free!**

For more information, visit:  
[keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/adopt-a-tree](https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/adopt-a-tree)



**Adopt-a-Tree:** It's Adopt-a-Tree season once again! Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers rescue small trees from land slated for development and prepare them to be taken home by residents. Visit our website to learn more and to request a free tree.

# POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 28  
 Citations: 136  
 Warnings: 44  
 Calls for Service: 649



# FIRE DEPARTMENT

## Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 1  
 Medical: 102  
 Other: 58  
 Total: 161



**Pastor Shell Osbon 20th Pastoral Anniversary:** On October 8, SFD, SPD, Smyrna Public Safety Foundation, and Councilmember Tim Gould celebrated with Pastor Shell and his wife Missy Osbon. They were honored for their service to Smyrna and Life Church for 20 years.



**Smith + Howard, LLC visits SFD:** In honor of Public Safety Week, Smith + Howard, LLC visited SFD, provided a catered lunch, learned about the fire service, and toured Fire Station 1.

# ENGINEERING



## RRFB Installations and Repairs:

Our Traffic Signal Technicians installed a new Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB) pedestrian system for the mid-block crossing at King Springs Road and Dunn Street. This system was installed per the recommendation of the Traffic Calming Committee to improve pedestrian accessibility to Tolleson Park. Separately, an existing RRFB system on Oakdale Road that was damaged during a traffic accident was also repaired by our Traffic Signal Technicians.

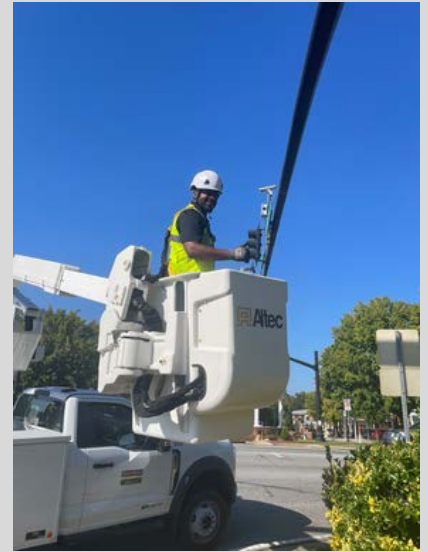
**Concord Road RPMs:** Raised pavement markers (RPMs) were installed on Concord Road along the curve between Love Street and Medlin Street. The RPMs are intended to address a reoccurring issue of vehicles veering off of the road due to speeding along the curve. Other improvements installed this year including a radar sign, curve ahead warning sign, and chevron alignment signs.



**Railroad Warning Signs:** An LED 'No Left Turn' sign was replaced at the intersection of Atlanta Road and Hawthorne Avenue/Fleming Street for the southbound left turn. This LED sign works in coordination with the railroad preemption at the traffic signal and turns on when a train is approaching. It serves as an additional warning for drivers attempting to turn across the railroad tracks. A similar 'No Left Turn' warning sign needs repair at the intersection of Atlanta Road and W. Spring Street. This repair is underway and will begin once the new sign is received from the vendor.

# ENGINEERING

**Camera Installations:** Our Traffic Signal Technicians worked closely with Smyrna Police Department to install security cameras in preparation for Smyrna's 151st Birthday Celebration. The Engineering Department has also coordinated with the IT Department to troubleshoot various CCTV camera outages at numerous intersections.



# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



## The top ten hottest titles currently checking out at Smyrna Library:

*Tom Lake* by Ann Patchett  
*None of This Is True* by Lisa Jewell  
*The Covenant of Water* by Abraham Verghese  
*Happy Place* by Emily Henry  
*Lessons In Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus  
*Fourth Wing* by Rebecca Yarros  
*Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano  
*The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride  
*Holly* by Stephen King  
*Mother-Daughter Murder Night* by Nina Simon

**Materials Usage Still Rising:** For circulation of library materials, all three quarters of 2023 have outperformed the first quarters of 2022. This year is on track to see a 3.5% increase over last year's numbers.

## Weekly Visitors

Library: 2572

# WATER DISTRIBUTION

**Weekly Work Orders:** Water and Sewer crews resolved 46 work orders last week. This involves regular leaks, resident issues, preventative maintenance, and sewer backups. Crews replaced water service on South Sherwood Road.



**Lead Service Inventory:** Contractors are potholing and verifying water service lines as part of the water service line inventory for the Environmental Protection Agency's requirements. Homes in Wards 2, 4, and 6 are completed. Crews will move to Ward 7 to finish 39 remaining homes, then to Wards 3 and 5. Qualifying homes will receive test kits for verification.

## **Water Meter Change Out:**

KM Davis is changing out the remaining outdated water meters. The city had 450 meters to convert to 4G as part of the advanced metering infrastructure project. There are roughly 200 meters left to convert.

**Glendale Circle Water Main and Service Replacement:** The Glendale Circle water main and service replacement is 98% complete. This project will improve outdated water quality in the area. KM Davis is performing the work.

**Closed-Circuit Television Pipe Inspection:** Sewer infrastructure is being graded with closed-circuit television (CCTV) equipment. Staff is in Ward 5 using CCTV and cleaning pipes, which is expected to be completed by March 2024. The contractor is finished in the Queensgate subdivision inspecting sewer lines. Ward 2 and Ward 4 are fully completed.

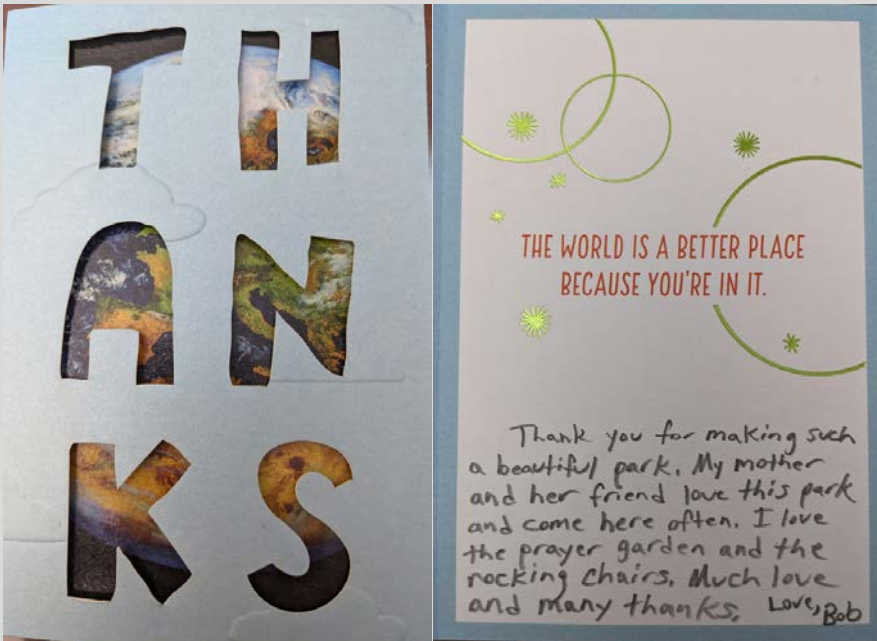
**The Highlands Water Main and Service Replacement:** The Highlands water main replacement is in the 16th week with the completion of the Prestwick Drive side of the project. The last section of the project is currently underway on Strathmore Road. This project consists of roughly one mile of water main replacement along with 81 service connections and is 98% completed.

## PUBLIC WORKS

The Streets Department has been working on the following projects:

- Continuing the King Springs Road sidewalk installation
- Continuing the Concord Road traffic calming project
- Continuing the monthly ROW mowing schedule
- Assisted with set up of Smyrna's 151st Birthday Celebration

## PARKS AND RECREATION



**Visitor Thanks:** It's nice to know that some of our favorite visitors enjoy the parks when they come out to play, and it means so much when they send a little note to let us know. Bob shared with staff at Taylor-Brawner Park that he and his family loved the park and all it has to offer.



**Parks Maintenance:** Parks Maintenance had a busy week. While working with other departments to set up for the Birthday Celebration last weekend and dedicating time to clean up after, staff continues to maintain the beautiful parks throughout the city. Jeff Moss spent time at Brinkley Park tilling infields and then dragging the fields to ready them for baseball playtime.



# PARKS AND RECREATION



**Senior Trip:** A group of Wolfe Center members took a day trip on October 5 to tour the Chief Vann House near Chatsworth, GA. The Chief Vann House is operated by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources and offers the opportunity to explore African American life among American Indians.

**Parents Night Out:** Parents Night Out was Friday, October 6 at the Community Center. The 18 participants enjoyed a Halloween PJ Party, had fun making crafts, and watched a movie while sharing pizza and snacks for dinner.



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# HALLOWEEN

## KID'S COOKIE DECORATING CLASS

LEARN DECORATING TECHNIQUES AND BRING HOME YOUR DELICIOUS MASTERPIECES!

SATURDAY, OCT. 28TH  
10AM - 12PM

SMYRNA COMMUNITY CENTER  
\$30 PER CHILD AGES 5-12  
REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!




REGISTER AT [SMYRNAGA.GOV](http://SMYRNAGA.GOV) OR SCAN THE QR CODE

**Halloween Youth Cookie Decorating Class:** Have a spooky good time and join us for a Halloween Themed Youth Cookie Decorating Class! Come decorate cookies inspired by the spooky season! October's cookie decorating class is youth only, where your child will be given an introductory lesson in cookie decorating. This class will take place on Saturday, October 28 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. The cost is \$30 per child. Please register only your children 5 to 12 years old. Parents must be present to assist their child. [Register here.](#)

# PARKS AND RECREATION

**Smyrna's Spooky Festival:** Mark your calendars and get ready for a spooktacular night! Join Parks and Recreation at Taylor-Brawner Park October 27 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM for a haunted trail, carnival vendors, and the original Ghostbusters movie starting at 7:00 PM. This year we will be turning Brawner Hall into a haunted house! While the event is free, the haunted house will be \$5 a person, card only onsite, no cash. You can [preregister](#) for the haunted house today and skip the line!

Please be aware, the haunted house attraction contains low light, frightening and sudden actions, flashing lights, special effects, startling situations and intense and loud sounds. It is not recommended for anyone with a weak heart, pre-existing medical condition, prone to seizures, pregnant, or children under 10.

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## SMYRNA'S SPOOKY FESTIVAL

Get ready for a spooky evening! Enjoy a haunted trail, carnival vendors, the original Ghostbusters movie, and haunted house!

- Friday, October 27th
- 6:00pm - 9:00pm
- Taylor-Brawner Park

This is a free event, the haunted house will be \$5.00 a person, card only on site. Preregister online or with the QR code and skip the line!

The movie will begin at 7:00PM.

Register for the Haunted House Today!

[smyrnaga.gov](http://smyrnaga.gov)

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## GIRLS NIGHT OUT

Smyrna Market Village  
November 3rd 5pm-8pm

Businesses will be open late and providing giveaways and discounts to the ladies! The first 50 women, over the age of 21, to register will receive a Smyrna swag bag, including:

- coupons and giveaways from Smyrna businesses,
- Smyrna goodies and gear provided by Parks and Rec

Register Today!

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**Girls Night Out:** Gather the girls and join us for Smyrna's first annual Girls Night Out on November 3 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at the Smyrna Market Village! Businesses will be open late and providing giveaways and discounts to the ladies! The first 50 women over the age of 21 to register will receive a Smyrna swag bag, including coupons and giveaways from Smyrna businesses, Smyrna goodies and gear provided by Parks and Rec! This event is free for the community and does not require a registration.

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



**Weekly Inspections:**

97 Inspections

52 Sites

**Total Estimated Cost of Construction:**

\$1,184,951.97

**Commercial (4)**

- (3) Interior Renovations
  - Cortland at the Village x1 Unit (2141 Lake Park Dr SE)
  - 3075 Jonquil Dr SE STE B
  - Nail Salon (3583 S Cobb Dr SE)
- (1) New Construction
  - Parks & Recreation Construction Projects

Estimated Cost of Construction:  
\$534,000.00

**Building Remodel/Residential (12)**

- (3) Additions
- (3) Interior Renovations
- (6) Roof Replacements/Re-roof

Estimated Cost of Construction:  
\$295,940.97

**Grading (3)**

- (2) Retaining Wall (Residential)
- (1) Land Disturbance (825 Austin Dr)

Estimated Cost of Construction:  
\$95,361.00

**Pool (1)**

- (1) In-Ground Commercial Pool (2400 Lake Park Dr SE)

Estimated Cost of Construction:  
\$259,650.00

**Electrical (6)**

**HVAC (9)**

**Plumbing (2)**

**Tree Removal (7)**

**Sign (3)**

## New Businesses

**Owen Therese Imachukwu**  
Residential Property Managers  
Home Business  
Ward 1

**Boxxi**  
Private Mail Centers  
2874 King St SE STE B  
Ward 3

**Toadally Tech, LLC**  
Electronic and Precision  
Equipment Repair and  
Maintenance  
Home Business  
Ward 4

**Hounds Town Atlanta - Smyrna**  
Pet Care (except Veterinary)  
Services  
1810 Spring Rd SE STE 5  
Ward 2

**LiniGroup International LLC**  
Process, Physical Distribution,  
and Logistics Consulting Services  
Home Business  
Ward 3

**Watertite Solutions LLC**  
All Other Specialty Trade  
Contractors  
Home Business  
Ward 6

**Jonquil Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry**  
Offices of Dentists  
1155 Concord R SE STE 110  
Ward 3

**Lazul**  
Full-Service Restaurants  
1061 Concord Rd SE  
Ward 3

**Bel Air Lighting Inc**  
Home Furnishing Merchant  
Wholesalers  
5000 Highlands Pkwy SE STE  
275  
Ward 7

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