



# CITY OF SMYRNA

## STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Wednesday, November 1, 2023**

Committee of the Whole Meeting

6:30 PM

Smyrna Community Center

Dogwood Room

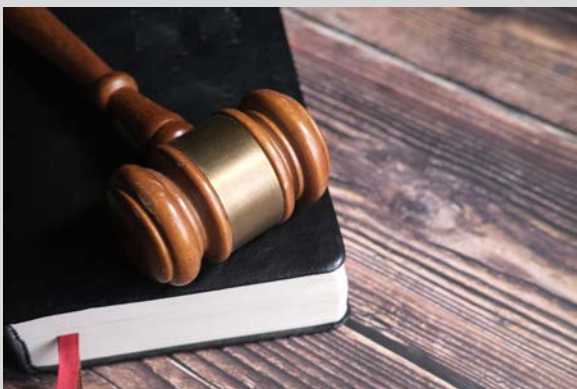
# POLICE DEPARTMENT

## Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 21  
Citations: 147  
Warnings: 31  
Calls for Service: 644



# COURT SERVICES



## Court on 10/17

Cases: 76  
Failures to Appear: 20  
Pre-Trials: 12  
DUIs Completed: 2

## Court on 10/19

Cases: 65  
Failures to Appear: 15  
Pre-Trials: 10  
DUIs Completed: 2

# HUMAN RESOURCES



## Margarita Barillas Orozco

Parks Maintenance  
Technician I  
Parks and Recreation  
Hired: 10/23



## Demarice Davis

Parks Maintenance  
Technician I  
Parks and Recreation  
Hired: 10/23



## Joshua Wilkins

Sanitation Worker  
Public Works  
Hired: 10/23



## Tim George

EMS Director  
Fire Department  
Hired: 10/23



# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



**Bulky Trash Amnesty Day:** On Saturday, Keep Smyrna Beautiful collaborated with Smyrna Public Works to host the annual Bulky Trash Amnesty Day for City of Smyrna residents. In total 366 cars were served, and participants gave the event a 4.9 out of 5 stars in terms of satisfaction. One resident shared that the event was "very convenient, and the staff were very friendly!" This event provides a service to residents and helps prevent illegal dumping!

## JONQUIL BULB SALE



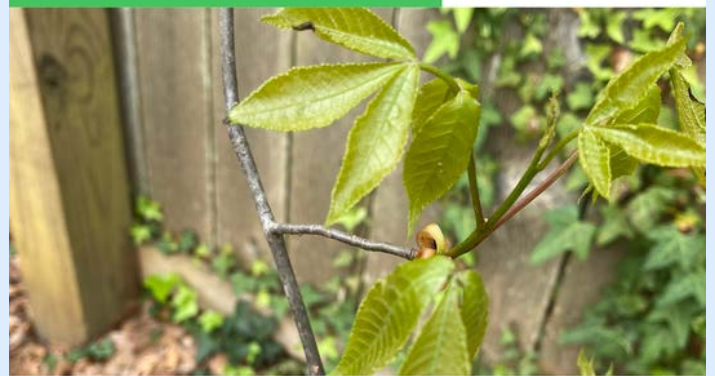
**Available Now!**

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



**Jonquil Bulb Sale:** The annual Jonquil Bulb Sale is halfway through! 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 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.

# ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

## ECO-KIDS FESTIVAL

Family-Friendly Activities to Celebrate America Recycles Day



**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023**

FROM 10AM TO NOON  
SMYRNA DOWNTOWN GREEN SPACE  
200 VILLAGE GREEN CIR SE

### America Recycles Day at the Eco-Kids Festival:

Save the date! Join Keep Smyrna Beautiful on Saturday, November 18, 2023, from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM to celebrate America Recycles Day at the Eco-Kids Festival. This family-friendly event will include recycling crafts, environmental education, games, and more! No registration is required. The event will take place in downtown Smyrna on the Village Green. Additional details can be found on our website: <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/america-recycles-day/>

**School Grants:** The fall application period for Keep Smyrna Beautiful School Grants ends on November 3, 2023. Keep Smyrna Beautiful School Grants support beautification, gardening, or environmental education projects. Details and an application link can be found at <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/school-partnerships/>

**Recycling Center Tour:** On Friday, four visitors joined the monthly tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center. The center offers tours on the third Friday of the month (except for holidays) at 9:00 AM. You can register to attend by visiting: <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/education/>

## KSB SCHOOL GRANTS

**\$1,000 to schools in the City of Smyrna**

Schools can apply annually.

**Grants support beautification and environmental education.**

School gardens, outdoor learning spaces, and more

**Fall application period opens August 1, 2023**

Fall applications due by November 3, 2023.



# FIRE DEPARTMENT




## Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 1  
 Medical: 99  
 Other: 51  
 Total: 151

**United Leadership Program:** The United Leadership Program's three part series of Lunch, Discuss, and Learn, ended on October 20. The final program day featured Acworth City Manager James Albright as the featured speaker, as well as the Deputy Chiefs Panel featuring Eric Mohrmann and Dustin Davey from Smyrna Fire Department with Deputy Chiefs from Cobb County Fire and Emergency Services, Austell Fire Department, and Marietta Fire Department.



**Division Chief Bates' Retirement:** Join us in honoring Division Chief Tommy Bates for his 24 years of dedicated service to the Smyrna Fire Department and the citizens of Smyrna. This Friday, Chief Bates will be recognized for his distinguished career. Throughout his service, Chief Bates has held various roles including Firefighter, Engineer, Lieutenant, Captain, EMS Director, and Division Chief, shaping the careers of many fire service professionals. Thank you, Chief Bates, for your commitment to public safety.

SMYRNA  
 FIRE DEPARTMENT  
 You are invited to a  
**RETIREMENT RECEPTION**  
 honoring  
  
**TOMMY BATES**  
 Division Chief  
 Friday, October 27th • 1-3pm  
 Fire Station #1  
 THANK YOU CHIEF BATES  
 FOR YOUR 23 YEARS OF SERVICE.  
 2/21/2000 - 12/01/2023

# COMMUNITY RELATIONS

**Crafts and Drafts Festival:** It is time for the Smyrna Crafts and Drafts Festival! Shop the crafts festival while enjoying a draft, and watch football while soaking up the warm and gentle sunshine in our downtown. You can expect 150 arts and crafts booths, 12 food booths, and plenty of children's activities. Hours are 10:00 AM-6:00 PM on Saturday and 12:00-5:00 PM on Sunday. Admission is FREE. See you there!



# ENGINEERING



**Pedestrian Signal Repairs:** Our Traffic Signal Technicians repaired a pedestrian signal that was hit during a traffic accident at South Cobb Drive and the I-285 Southbound ramp, pictured left. Luckily only the base needed to be replaced and the other parts of the system were salvageable. Repairs were also made to the push button on the pedestrian signal at southwest corner of Spring Road and Jonquil Drive.

**Red-Light Running Photo Enforcement System (RLRPES):** Warning traffic signs were installed at the intersection of South Cobb Drive and East-West Connector/Cumberland Parkway in conjunction with the RLRPES project, pictured right. The signs warn that the traffic signal at this intersection is photo-enforced. The contractor anticipates finishing the camera tie-ins to the traffic signal cabinet this weekend.

# 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
- Completed the Roswell Street sidewalk project and drainage project
- Continuing the monthly ROW mowing schedule



# LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



## Weekly Visitors

Library: 3,689  
Museum: 18

**Special Visitors at the Museum:** A senior group from The Cambridge Assisted Living facility in Smyrna came by to check out the museum last week.

## Friends of Smyrna Library News:

Friends of Libraries Week was a huge success. At last weekend's book sale, the Friends raised \$1300 which will be used to host special adult events in 2024. Earlier in the week, the Friends sponsored a family program on October 16 with real amphibians to view up close. On October 17, they hosted a one-woman show about Lillian Carter in the Magnolia Room. Thank you to the Community Center staff for setting up the room and providing AV support.



**Visit From Ann Kirk:** Retired Keep Smyrna Beautiful Director Ann Kirk stopped by the Smyrna Library on Wednesday, October 18 to catch up on all the changes to the city in the past few years. She's doing really well and hopes to visit more regularly.

# PARKS AND RECREATION



**SMYRNA'S SPOOKY FESTIVAL**

RECREATE Smyrna Parks & Recreation

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!

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

**Smyrna's Spooky Festival:** It is almost time for Smyrna's Spooky Festival! Join Parks and Recreation at Taylor-Brawner Park October 27 from 6:00-9:00 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.

**Girls Night Out:** Gather the girls and join us for Smyrna's first annual Girls Night Out on November 3 from 5:00-8:00 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, along with Smyrna goodies and gear provided by Parks and Rec! This event is free for the community and does not require registration.

**Parks and Recreation Project Updates:** There are many exciting projects happening in parks around the city! The following projects are in progress or soon to be in progress:

- Updating batting cages at Brinkley Park, Ward Park and Chuck Camp Park
- Restroom and pavilion installation at North Cooper Lake Park
- Construction of a storage building at Chuck Camp Park
- Resolving stormwater drainage issues at Brinkley Park
- Splash pad installation at River Line Park
- Relocation of the dog park at Lake Court Park
- Replacement of trail bridges at Tolleson Park
- Playground replacement at Creatwood Park and Chuck Camp Park
- Pavilion replacement at Rose Garden Park



# PARKS AND RECREATION



**Crafting with Ashley:** Once a month Ashley hosts a craft session with the seniors at the Wolfe Center! This month they made cheesecloth ghosts. Next month's craft will be centerpieces for Thanksgiving! Keep an eye out for the exact date of the next crafting event.

**College Football Saturday:** Parks and Recreation will host the next College Football Saturday on November 18. Come out and join the party, there is fun for everyone while cheering the home team to victory!



**Que & Brew:** Que & Brew, benefiting LiveSafe Resources, was held on Saturday, October 21. The event included six top-rated competition BBQ teams, craft beer for sampling, a kid's zone, live music and more.



The event was open to the public, but tickets were required for tasting beer and BBQ. Approximately 400 people consumed over 280 pounds of chicken wings and 420 pounds of pork butt. It was a great Saturday afternoon at the park!

# COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



**Weekly Inspections:**

53 Inspections

21 Sites

**Total Estimated Cost of Construction:**

\$2,724,371.65

**Commercial (12)**

(10) Interior Renovation

- Cortland at the Village Unit x9 (2057 Lake Park Dr SE)
- Hyatt Place Atlanta Cobb Galleria (2876 Spring Hill Pkwy)

(1) Roof Replacement/Re-roof

- 1302 Concord Rd SE

(1) Building Addition

- Public Works Construction Project (2190 Atlanta Rd SE)

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$2,238,180.32

**Building Remodel/ Residential (7)**

(3) Addition

(3) Roof Replacement/Re-roof

(1) New Construction

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$478,191.33

**Demolition (1)**

(1) Full Demolition

- Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$8,000.00

**Electrical (3) HVAC (5) Plumbing (6)**

**Tree Removal (2) Sign (1)**

## New Businesses

**CHI THI KIM TRAN**

Nail Salons  
2430 Cobb Parkway  
Ward 1

**Time to Live Music, Inc**

Independent Artists,  
Writers, and Performers  
Home Business  
Ward 6

**Phlebo On The Go LLC**

Medical Laboratories  
Home Business  
Ward 7

**OnChainPolitics**

Custom Computer Programming Services  
Home Business  
Ward 6

**ZOU BROTHER S WING INC**

Limited-Service Restaurants  
5240 S Cobb Drive  
Ward 6

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