



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 25
 Citations: 164
 Warnings: 52
 Calls for Service: 679

Holiday Cheer: The Police Department was honored to take part in two events this past week with local elementary schools: Cops and Kids and Shop with a Hero. The children were able to purchase some needed items along with toys. Thank you to everyone who participated.

ENGINEERING



South Cobb Drive/SR 180 Street Name Sign Updates: The last intersection for phase 1 of the street sign updates is complete. Our Traffic Signal Technicians replaced the street name signs at the signalized intersection of South Cobb Drive and Cooper Lake Road, which were last installed in 2007. The next phase of street name sign updates will include the southern section of SR 280 stretching from Ridge Road to River View Road/Maner Road.



Concord Road Signs: Our Traffic Signal Technicians have assisted with the Concord Road median project by installing a series of signs (including traffic calming ahead, dynamic speed display, and keep right median signs), and are currently working to install the pedestrian assembly and rectangular rapid-flashing beacon for the mid-block crossing near Concord Road and Highview Drive. The base for the assembly is set with the remainder of the assembly scheduled for installation next week.



COURT SERVICES

Court on 12/12

Cases: 134
Failures to Appear: 39
Pre-Trials: 40
DUIs Completed: 5

Court on 12/14

Cases: 112
Failures to Appear: 53
Pre-Trials: 20
DUIs Completed: 2



FIRE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 1
Medical: 105
Other: 49
Total: 204

Shop with a Hero: On Friday, December 15, the Smyrna Fire Department participated in the 21st annual Shop with a Hero event, shopping with 82 children from Smyrna area elementary schools.

HUMAN RESOURCES



Savannah Bourquardez

Utility Customer Service Representative
Utility Services
Hired: 12/18

Jeffrey Dreese

Sanitation Worker
Public Works
Hired: 12/18

*Welcome to
Smyrna!*

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Weekly Visitors

Library: 2,574
Museum: 10

Chanukah Story Time: Mushky Zaltzman of Chabad of Smyrna Vinings visited Smyrna Library on Thursday, December 14, for a special Chanukah Story Time. Ms. Zaltzman read *If the Candles Could Speak* by Dassi Prus and talked about the traditions of Chanukah, then followed with a craft.



Shop With a Hero: Smyrna firefighters stopped by Smyrna Library on Tuesday, December 12, to pick up children's books for the Shop With a Hero kids. Smyrna Library Youth Services Department collects age-appropriate children's books throughout the year to donate to Shop with a Hero so that each child gets a free book.



Upcoming Exhibit: Museum Manager Jennie Eldredge has been cataloguing photos for an upcoming exhibit on Brawner Sanitarium. This photo from 2000 (above) shows the old campus with some of the athletic amenities in the foreground. The 2023 shot (right) shows the same view where the rear addition to the main building from 1910 now houses the city's IT Department.



PARKS AND RECREATION

The Smyrna Optimist Santa House

Taylor-Brawner House

3182 Atlanta Rd SE, Smyrna, GA 30080
6:00PM - 8:00PM

Saturday	12/2
Sunday	12/3
Sunday	12/10
Friday	12/15
Sunday	12/17
Thursday	12/21
Friday	12/22

This is a free event, however donations are encouraged. The Smyrna Optimist club will be donating all collections to the Smyrna Safety Foundation's "Shop with a Hero" Program.



Santa House: There are only a few nights left to visit Santa! Smyrna Parks and Recreation is proud to partner with the Smyrna Optimist Club to bring you the Santa House! Located at the Taylor-Brawner House, visitors can stop by for a picture with Santa himself. While this is a free event, donations are appreciated. All of the donations collected will go to the Smyrna Public Safety Foundation's Shop with a Hero program!

North Cooper Lake Park: Work has begun on the large pavilion at North Cooper Lake Park. Once complete, the pavilion will house picnic tables and benches that can host a large group for all kinds of events.



Upcoming Programs and Events: Be on the lookout for programs and exciting events happening in the new year. Stop by the Smyrna Community Center and pick up the latest version of *The Tap* to learn more about happenings in the next few months.

WATER DISTRIBUTION



Work Orders: Staff resolved several work orders last week including:

- Water Main Breaks: 1
- Sewer Backups: 4
- Water Service Leaks: 2
- Customer Issues: 28

Water and Sewer staff take great pride in being responsible for the installation, repairs, and maintenance of 150 miles of sewer pipes, and 250 miles of water main pipes. We are currently providing services to 15,237 customers in the City of Smyrna. We guarantee above and beyond service, and safe clean water supply to each customer every day.

Water Service Inventory Verification: Water service inventory verification is underway. Homes in Wards 2, 3, 4, and 6 are completed.

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. Inspections in Wards 1, 2, 4, and 5 are completed. Inspections in Ward 6 are underway by Smyrna staff, and inspections in Ward 3 are underway by a contractor.

Water Main and Service Replacement Projects: Water mains and services are being replaced in several locations around the city.

- Highlands Drive, Glendale Circle, and Burbank Circle: Completed. Painting and tagging hydrants with serial numbers with the Fire Department
- Springwood Drive: Complete
- Bates Drive: Water test to take place on December 22

Water Meter Change-Outs: Water crews have been working on the remaining 100 residential meter change-outs to make our system 4G and up to date. The work is about 90% complete.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Recycling Center Tour: Three patrons took part in the monthly tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center last Friday. In monthly recycling center tours, participants learn what happens to their recycling and have a chance to ask all of their recycling questions. Tours are on the third Friday of the month at 9:00 AM. [Register here.](#)



ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Keep Smyrna Beautiful Board Members Honored: Last week, Keep Smyrna Beautiful honored three longtime board members. Liz Davis, Karleen McNabb, and Betty Williams are retiring from the board of directors after more than forty years of combined service! Keep Smyrna Beautiful is grateful for their years of dedication and service.



Bring One for the Chipper: Save the date for Bring One for the Chipper Christmas Tree recycling! This event will take place on Saturday, January 6 from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM. [Details here.](#)

KEEP SMYRNA Beautiful
KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL AFFILIATE

invites you to
Bring One for the Chipper!

Saturday, January 6, 2024
10:00am-2:00pm

The Home Depot
2450 Cumberland Pkwy SE
Atlanta, GA 30339
Tree Drop Off

Live trees only. Trees should be unbound and free of decorations. No flocked trees. Trees will be recycled into mulch or used for fish habitats. Seedlings will be available to take home!

For more information, scan the QR code.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Smyrna Wonderous Winter Cleanup: On Saturday, 16 Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers took part in the Smyrna Wonderous Winter Cleanup. In all, they picked up 325 pounds of litter from Smyrna roadways, including 40 pounds of recyclable material! Afterward, they joined us for cookies and hot cocoa.

Holiday Recycling: Don't forget to recycle over the holidays! The Smyrna Recycling Center accepts string lights, electronics, paper wrapping (no foil, mylar, or glitter), cardboard boxes, cooking oil, and more! Additional accepted items can be found [here](#).

Holiday Recycling List for the Smyrna Recycling Center

- Christmas lights
- Electronics
- Cardboard boxes
- Wrapping paper that is free from foil or glitter
- Tissue paper
- Holiday cards
- Cooking oil
- Pie tins

(Please no ribbons or bows!)



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

113 Inspections
38 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$1,267,180.21

Commercial (2)

- (1) Accessory Building
 - Brinkley Park Batting Cages (200 Legion Dr SE)

- (1) Interior Renovation
 - Mustard Seed Chiropractic (1060 Windy Hill Rd SE, Unit 209)

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$90,000.00

Pool (3)

- (3) In-Ground Pool
 - Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$196,701.00

Building Remodel/ Residential (12)

- (3) Additions
- (2) Interior Renovations
- (2) New Construction
- (5) Roof Replacement/Re-roof

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$980,479.21

Grading (1)

- (1) Land Disturbance
 - River Line Park

HVAC (7) Tree (2)

Plumbing (2) Sign (2)

New Businesses

Bellenzo

Residential Property Managers
Home Business
Ward 2

Merck

Pharmaceutical and Medicine Manufacturing
Home Business
Ward 3

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