



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, April 15, 2024

Planning and Zoning Commission

6:00 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall

Council Chambers

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

Committee of the Whole Meeting

6:30 PM

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HR Training Room

ADMINISTRATION



Solar Eclipse: Staff at City Hall gathered outside to watch the solar eclipse on Monday afternoon!

Citizens Academy: Citizens Academy participants met with Community Development, Economic Development, and IT on Tuesday evening. Thank you to everyone who presented!



FIRE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Incident Totals

Fire: 5
 Medical: 90
 Other: 43
 Total: 138



Health and Safety Officer: Smyrna Fire congratulates Firefighter Brett Roberts as the department’s newest Health and Safety Officer, effective Monday, April 15. In addition to his regular duties, Firefighter Roberts will contribute to Smyrna Fire Department’s Annual Training Plan, incorporate health and safety into our training, and keep the department up to date on various safety initiatives.

POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 28
 Citations: 141
 Warnings: 50
 Calls for Service: 607

Promotions: Recently several team members from our detention staff were promoted to the rank of sergeant. Congratulations to Sergeant Ashley Bryant, Sergeant Keandra Jackson, and Sergeant Tamiko Caldwell. Thank you for your commitment to Smyrna and keeping our jail running smoothly.

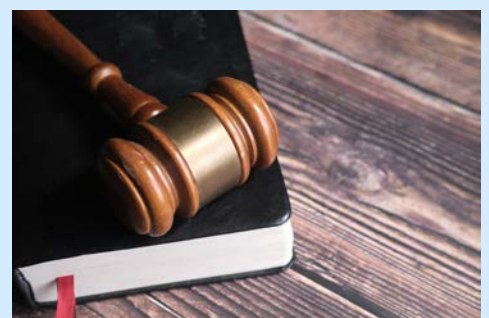
COURT SERVICES

Court on 04/02

Cases: 95
 Failures to Appear: 36
 Pre-Trials: 36
 DUIs Completed: 2

Court on 04/04

Cases: 98
 Failures to Appear: 31
 Pre-Trials: 27
 DUIs Completed: 1



HUMAN RESOURCES



JaSean Gladden
Sanitation Worker
Public Works
Hired: 04/08



Chloe Walton
PT Community Center Attendant
(Historic Buildings)
Parks and Recreation
Hired: 04/08

*Welcome to
Smyrna!*

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Garden Tour Tickets on Sale Now: Tickets to the 2024 Smyrna Garden Tour on Saturday, May 4 are now on sale!

Pictured is a sneak peek of one of the five gardens featured on this year's tour. Some info on this garden:

- There are a wide variety of produce including berries, peppers, apples, and bananas.
- The garden boasts hydrangeas, elephant ears, banana trees, ferns, azaleas, and more!

You don't want to miss it! Grab your tickets now (\$20 in advance, \$25 day of): <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/garden-tour/>.



Kennesaw State University (KSU) Day of Service: Last Saturday, Keep Smyrna Beautiful joined KSU to offer a litter cleanup for their annual KSU Day of Service. Nine participants spent the morning picking up litter on East-West Connector and South Cobb Drive.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



School Tour: Mt. Harmony Wee School: On Monday, 40 students, parents, and teachers from Mt. Harmony Wee School toured the Smyrna Recycling Center and participated in a recycling sorting activity. Keep Smyrna Beautiful provides tours of the Smyrna Recycling Center and educational programs in the community to residents of all ages. [Learn more about Keep Smyrna Beautiful's environmental education offerings.](#)

“I WANTED TO EDUCATE PEOPLE WHO WERE TRYING TO RECYCLE. MOST PEOPLE CARED A LOT. THEY JUST DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO. EVEN TODAY, IT'S NOT GOING TO GET BETTER UNTIL PEOPLE KNOW MORE”

KATHY CHAPMAN
RECYCLING CENTER COORDINATOR, 2009-2021



Keep Smyrna Beautiful 40th Anniversary Spotlight: Smyrna Recycling Center: As part of our celebration of 40 years of keeping Smyrna clean, green, and beautiful, we're highlighting stories of our past, including the creation of the Smyrna Recycling Center. Read more about the history of this important Smyrna landmark: <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/40th-spotlight-the-smyrna-recycling-center/>

Recycling Center: This past week, the Smyrna Recycling Center served 590 patrons and processed 37,060 pounds of material.



WATER DISTRIBUTION

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.



Work Orders: Staff resolved issues last week including:

- Water Main Breaks: 1
- Sewer Backups: 3
- Water Service Leaks: 5
- Resolved Work Orders: 41

Water Service Inventory Verification: Water service inventory verification is underway in Ward 7. 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, 5, and 6 are completed. Work is in progress in Wards 3 and 7.

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

- South Cobb Drive
- Creatwood Subdivision

Customer Tips: Leaking Faucets

More than just a mere annoyance, a leaky faucet can add up to major water loss over time.

The EPA says leaks in the average household can waste nearly 10,000 gallons of water per year. In fact, 10% of homes waste over 90 gallons of this limited resource per day on leaks left unfixed.

The problem with some household leaks is that they're not always readily detectable. For peace of mind, not to mention lower water bills, install a smart water monitor on your water meter. It's easy to do it yourself, and once it's in place you can sync it to an app on your smartphone or tablet.

According to Ric Miles, CEO of Flume, a company that sells a smart water monitor, his experience shows that more than 22% of homeowners find a leak within one week of installing Flume, while 70% of users will detect a leak over time.



PUBLIC WORKS

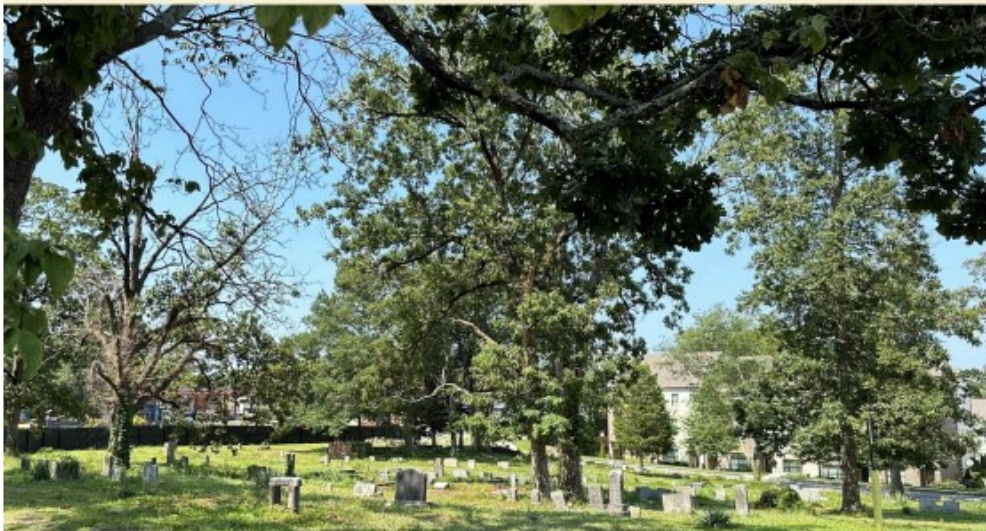
Streets Department: The Streets Department has been working on the following projects:

- Continued work on Chuck Camp Park and Brinkley Park batting cages
- Continued work on Vinings North Trail sidewalk installation
- Repaired asphalt at Cobb Park, King Springs Road, and Highland Parkway
- Continued work on monthly right-of-way mowing schedule

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

**Saturday, April 13
9 am - 12 pm**

Cemetery Volunteer Opportunity



Bethel Baptist Church Cemetery

2851 Spring Road and Woodland Terrace

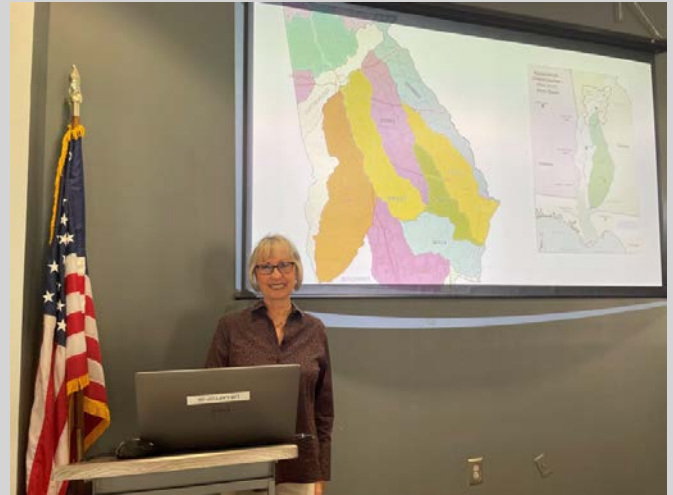
Come beautify your community by helping to clean up historic Bethel Cemetery. We will pick up brush and trash, and we will trim weeds around the many graves in this cemetery established in 1867. Please wear closed-toe shoes, and other clothes you don't mind getting a bit dirty. We recommend you bring gloves and plenty of water to drink. Contact jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov to sign up.

**Sponsored by Smyrna Museum
and Keep Smyrna Beautiful**

Cemetery Volunteer Opportunity: Come beautify your community by helping to clean up historic Bethel Cemetery on Saturday, April 13 from 9:00 AM-12:00 PM. Contact [Jennie Eldredge](mailto:jeldredge@smyrnaga.gov) to sign up.

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Earth Month: Smyrna Library celebrates our planet every April with educational programs, events, and book displays. The first Sunday Lecture on April 7 highlighted local author and riverkeeper Sally Sierer Bethea. Ms. Bethea discussed her work as a riverkeeper and the importance of the Chattahoochee watershed. Earth Month continues this Friday, April 12, with the annual and extremely popular Rain Barrel Workshop.



Weekly Visitors

Library: 3,854

Museum: 22

Eclipse Party: On Monday, April 8, the library hosted an Eclipse Viewing Party on the green space in Village Green Park. The library provided crafts, scientific models, and activities for families to learn more about Earth and our solar system. The attendance estimate was 600 people.



PARKS AND RECREATION

2024
SUMMER
CAMPS

SMYRNA PARKS AND RECREATION

\$200 per camper, \$15 sibling discount, Ages 5-12

June 10 - 14: STEAM Week
 Discover different arts and sciences through clubs, activities, and explorations.

June 24 - 28: Wild Card Week
 Come and enjoy wild card week, where each day will host a new and exciting theme from wacky hat day to PJ day!

July 15 - 19: Olympics Week
 With the 2024 Olympics on the horizon, campers will participate in our version of the Olympics!

NEW CAMPS!

June 3 - June 7, 9AM - 12PM: Adventure Seekers
 Each day campers will meet at a different Smyrna park and enjoy the nature trails, go on hikes, and venture on scavenger hunts. **\$100 per camper, \$15 sibling discount**

June 17 - June 21, 9AM - 12PM: Park Discovery Camps
 During the week, we will be hosting 8 different parks camps, 2 per day at different Smyrna parks. Each park will have themes for campers to enjoy. Register for one day or multiple! **\$20 per camper each day**

July 8 - July 12, 10AM - 4PM: Georgia Explorers
 Come along as we visit science museums, art galleries, nature preserves, ropes course, and so much more! Register for one day or multiple! **Prices vary per day**

For More Info Go To Smyrnaga.gov

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 Parks & Recreation

Summer Camp: Summer Camp is right around the corner! [Click here to view the Smyrna Summer Camp Guide and to register!](#)

PARKS AND RECREATION

Teen Night: Calling all teens! Join us at the Smyrna Community Center on Friday, May 10, from 5:00-8:00 PM, for a night of epic laser tag battles, pizza for dinner, a movie, and a popcorn bar. After a long week of school, there's nothing better than unwinding and having fun with your friends. This event is for teens ages 13-17 and is \$30 per person.

SMYRNA PARKS AND REC
TEEN NIGHT
 MAY 10TH, 5PM-8PM

Calling all teens! Get ready for a night of epic laser tag battles in the Smyrna Community Center large gym, pizza for dinner, a movie, and a popcorn bar.
 Register today and don't miss out on the fun!

\$30 Per Person, Ages 13-17
 Register Today at smyrnaga.gov

SMYRNA PARKS & REC

Friday, May
3
 5PM - 8PM

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PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Drop your children off for an indoor camp-out while you enjoy an evening to yourself!
 Children will enjoy a cook-out dinner, eat s'mores, and explore the outdoors near our pond and nature trail.
 The cost is \$30 per child.

SMYRNA COMMUNITY CENTER
 REGISTER AT SMYRNAGA.GOV TODAY!

Parents Night Out: On Friday, May 3, drop your children off for an indoor camp-out while you enjoy an evening out. Children will enjoy a cook-out dinner, eat s'mores, and explore the outdoors near our pond and nature trail. This event is from 5:00-8:00 PM and the cost is \$30 per child.

Tolleson Pool 2024: Summer is right around the corner! Tolleson Pool preparation for the 2024 season is underway. The pool was uncovered and some plaster repairs were made before the space was filled with water. The pool will be open from May 25-September 2. Purchase your annual pool pass for the 2024 season today!

PARKS AND RECREATION

Spring Break Camp: Parks and Recreation hosted nearly 30 participants for Spring Break Camp and had a week filled with adventures and lasting memories! Campers headed out each day for a new excursion, touring some of Georgia's best attractions. Campers were excited to enjoy the fun together and looking forward to Summer Camp. The week consisted of the following trips:

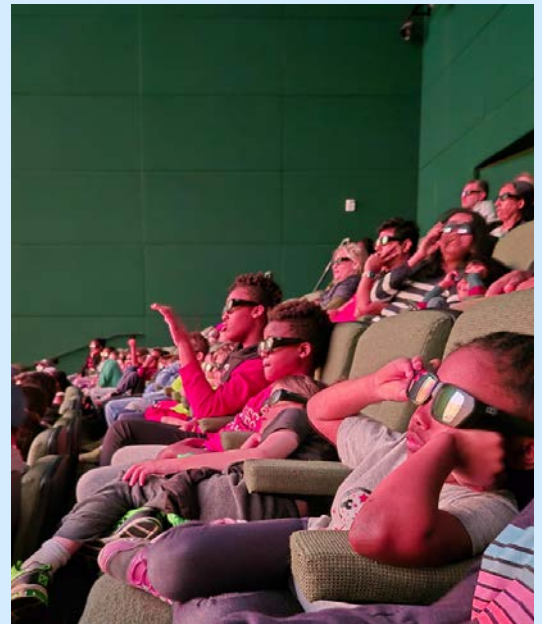
Monday: Powers Ferry Trail

Tuesday: Etowah Indian Mounds

Wednesday: Chick-fil-A Hall of Fame

Thursday: Fernbank Museum

Friday: Sope Creek Trail & Paper Mill Ruins



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

179 Inspections
73 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$1,297,845.00

Commercial (3)

- (1) Roof Replacement/Re-Roof
 - 1685 Spring Rd SE
- (2) Interior Renovation
 - 860 Concord Rd (Tattoo Shop)
 - 2415 Cobb Pkwy Se (Tacos La Villa)

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$81,000

Pool (2)

- (2) In-Ground Pools
 - Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$258,000.00

Building Remodel / Residential (13)

- (2) Interior Renovation
 - (2) New Construction
 - (5) Additions
 - (4) Roof Replacement/Re-roof
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$943,845.00

Demo (1)

- (1) Full Demolition
 - Residential
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$15,000.00

HVAC (6) Electrical (5) Plumbing (4) Sign (1)

New Businesses

CTB Bookkeeping

Other Accounting Services
Home Business
Ward 3

Besington Consulting LLC

Other Management Consulting Services
Home Business
Ward 5

RoyalByTee LLC

Other Personal Care Services
3240 S Cobb Drive, STE 850,
Room 118
Ward 5

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