



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, May 30, 2024

Committee of the Whole Meeting

6:30 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall

HR Training Room

ADMINISTRATION



Citizens Academy Graduation:

Citizens Academy participants graduated from the program on Monday evening! They began the evening with a reception and ended it with being recognized at the City Council Meeting. Congratulations to the graduates!

Honorary Mayor for the Day:

Corynn Morris, a kindergarten student at Nickajack Elementary School, served as Honorary Mayor for the day on May 20! Corynn's special day included a tour of the Mayor's office and City Hall, lunch with the Mayor, visits to the Smyrna Police and Fire Departments, and assisting the Mayor at the City Council meeting.



ADMINISTRATION



Racial Trust Building Breakfast: We were proud to welcome Ms. Jeriene Bonner Willis as our featured guest speaker at the City's Racial Trust Building Breakfast Series on May 22, 2024.

PUBLIC WORKS

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

- Completed curb and catch basin improvement on Davenport Street
- Completed curb repairs on West Cooper Lake Road and Marston Street
- Completed sidewalk installation on Smyrna Hill Drive
- Repaired potholes on Church Street, Sherwood Road, and Highlands Parkway
- Continued work on the monthly right-of-way mowing schedule

COURT SERVICES

Red Light Camera Court on 5/14

Cases: 8
Failures to Appear: 4
Hearings Conducted: 4

Court on 5/16

Cases: 106
Failures to Appear: 16
Pre-Trials: 33
DUIs Completed: 8



POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 27
Citations: 121
Warnings: 54
Calls for Service: 997

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 1
Medical: 92
Other: 44
Total: 137



Metro Atlanta Firefighter Conference – Thermal Imaging Tactics: May 15-18 was the 2024 Metro Atlanta Firefighter Conference. On Friday, Smyrna Fire Department’s Instructor Cadre hosted the Thermal Imaging Tactics course at our training ground.

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Carry the Load: On May 15, the New England Carry the Load Relay Team came by Station 1 where they took a much-needed break and stayed the evening. The team has been through various parts of the Atlanta area and from Station 1 they are headed to the Marietta National Cemetery. This relay leads up to Memorial Day and includes teams that walk a combined 20,000 miles.

Bike Rodeo: The Smyrna Fire Department's bike team participated in the Smyrna Market on May 19. They were on hand to teach bike safety, skills, and overall awareness of what they do. Thank you Field Training Officer Justin Tucker and Engineer Jacob Moore for helping with the event.



Getting Ready for Summer Event: On Saturday, Councilmember Latonia P. Hines hosted the first Getting Ready for Summer Event at Tolleson Park. Smyrna Fire Department, Smyrna Police Department, Smyrna Public Safety Foundation, and more local organizations attended this event to engage in the community, provide resources, and share about public safety.



ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Invasive Species Removal: An abundance of poison ivy on the site of our invasive species removal project had us shifting gears last Thursday! Instead of pulling privet and ivy, volunteers weeded and mulched the trees KSB planted last year near the corner of Rosalyn Lane and Powder Springs Street. Native riparian trees provide several benefits including reducing soil erosion, shade and temperature regulation, and providing a habitat for birds and other creatures.



Monthly Recycling Center Tour: The monthly tour of the Recycling Center took place last Friday. One adult and four children toured the center and participated in a paper recycling activity. The Smyrna Recycling Center offers free monthly tours from 9:00-10:00 AM on the third Friday of every month. The next tour is coming up Friday, June 21. [Sign up for an upcoming tour here!](#)

Recycling Center: This past week, the Smyrna Recycling Center shipped out 2,400 pounds of book donations, 1,618 pounds of paint, 1,580 pounds of aluminum cans, 336 pounds of hard-to-recycle plastics, and 100 pounds of clothing donations to the Kidney Fund.

Volunteers Needed: Keep Smyrna Beautiful is always looking for volunteers to help keep Smyrna clean, green, and beautiful! Individual and group opportunities are available, including storm drain marking, invasive species removal, litter cleanups, and community events. Learn more at <https://keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/volunteer/>.

WATER DISTRIBUTION



Work Orders

- Water Main Breaks: 0
- Sewer Backups: 2
- Water Service Leaks: 4
- Resolved Work Orders: 80

Sewer and Camera Inspection: This technology enables staff to monitor pipelines in real time, assess pipe conditions, and implement corrections as needed.

- Wards 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6 are completed
- Ward 7 has begun
- Ward 3 is being completed by a contractor

Water and Sewer staff take immense pride in the installation, repair, and upkeep of 150 miles of sewer pipes and 250 miles of water main pipes throughout the city. Currently serving 15,237 customers, our staff is committed to delivering exceptional service that goes above and beyond, ensuring a safe and clean water supply to every customer.

South Cobb Drive Water Main Replacement: KM Davis Contracting has initiated the replacement of the water main along South Cobb Drive. They have installed 2500 feet of 12-inch pipe and are currently identifying all utilities between King Springs Road and the Emory doctor's office. Upon project completion, they will replace a 20-inch asbestos cement (A/C) water main, currently at a depth of over 25 feet, with a 12-inch ductile iron water main at a depth of 5 feet. The depth of these water mains is critical for maintenance and repair purposes.

Creatwood Water Line Replacement: Ardito Construction is actively engaged in a water line replacement endeavor within the Creatwood subdivision. They are in the process of installing services on Mohawk Place and conducting boring activities on driveways along Creatwood Trail. This project encompasses the replacement of 10,000 linear feet of water main and service lines, forming a crucial part of the project.

Water Saving Tips: Water saving measures can not only save you money, but they also greatly impact water demand in local communities! Some ways you can conserve water are:

- Don't leave the tap running needlessly
- Use a dual flush toilet
- Choose and use your appliances wisely
- Stop leaky toilets and dripping faucets
- Set up a rain barrel
- Reduce water flow



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



New Exhibit Debut at Smyrna Museum: Smyrna Museum has mounted a new exhibit about the history of Brawner Hall and the impact of Dr. Brawner’s work in psychiatric care in this country. Councilmembers and department heads received a sneak peek of the exhibit and a tour of the Museum archives on Thursday, May 16. The open house for the public followed on Saturday, May 18, which included refreshments. Museum Manager Jennie Eldredge provided an overview of Brawner Hall’s history, discussed the research she did to create the exhibit, and answered questions about Smyrna and the museum’s other exhibits.



Weekly Visitors

Library: 3,386

Museum: 51

Tweens Painting Party: On Tuesday, May 14, tweens celebrated the end of the school year with a Pour Painting Party at Smyrna Library. Pour painting is achieved by layering viscous acrylic paint into a cup and pouring the paint directly onto a canvas. As the layers move across the canvas, the paint blends and mixes to create interesting textures and marbled effects. It was messy, fun, and creative!

PARKS AND RECREATION

Theater Camp: Introducing our newest summer camp: Theater Camp! Parks and Recreation has teamed up with a local performing arts school, Michael Karl Studios, to provide children with an exceptional theater experience the week of July 22-26! Theater Camp will be an exclusive one-week camp at the end of the summer that your theater-loving campers won't want to miss! End the summer on an impactful and positive note that will have your campers talking about all they learned and how much fun they had at camp!



DATE
JULY 22 - 26

TIME
9:00AM-4:00 PM

**AT SMYRNA
COMMUNITY CENTER**

MKS PERFORMING ARTS
MICHAELKARLSTUDIO.COM

**BROADWAY BOUND
SUMMER CAMP**

AGES 5-8 & 9-12

Get ready to sing loudly, move confidently, and act believably onstage. In this one-week camp, we will be learning songs and scenes from hit musicals that will be performed in a final showcase at the end of the week.



KinJoy Events Presents

SUMMER GARDENS

CREATE YOUR OWN FLORAL BOUQUET!

Sunday, June 22, 2024
11am- 1pm

Register at [Smyrnaga.gov](https://www.smyrnaga.gov)

Joyshops Workshops: Summer Gardens:

Join Parks and Recreation on Saturday, June 22 at the Smyrna Community Center for a new program you don't want to miss! KinJoy is a small business based in Georgia dedicated to promoting wellness and joy through interactive workshops and programs. Their JoyShops are designed to provide an inclusive approach to well-being by incorporating elements of crafting, mindfulness, and community engagement. June's JoyShop is Summer Gardens, an instructor-led flower arrangement workshop that will take place from 11:00 AM-1:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. The class is \$55 per person and all materials are included in the cost of the class. [Register today!](#)

PARKS AND RECREATION

Tolleson Pool: Summer is here and it's time to take a dip in Tolleson Pool! The pool opens on Saturday, May 25, for the 2024 season. Bring your family and friends to enjoy the fun from 11:00 AM-6:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday, and from 1:00-6:00 PM on weekdays. Holiday hours are 11:00 AM-6:00 PM. Daily passes are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children under 16.



SMYRNA PARKS AND RECREATION
ADVENTURE SEEKERS
SUMMER CAMP

Our half-day nature camp is designed to get kids outdoors, where they'll discover different Smyrna parks and embark on exciting new adventures each day! Campers will hike, play games, learn about the local environment, and develop a love for the outdoor.

JUNE 3RD - JUNE 7TH
9AM - 12PM

\$100 per camper, \$15 sibling discount
 Ages 5 - 12

Register at smyrnaga.gov

Adventure Seekers Camp: This summer, Parks and Recreation is introducing a few new camps for the community! Adventure Seekers Camp is a half-day nature camp designed to get kids outdoors, where they'll discover different Smyrna parks and embark on exciting new adventures each day. Campers will hike, play games, learn about the local environment, and develop a love for the outdoors. Camp runs from June 3 through June 7. Register today!

SMYRNA PARKS AND RECREATION
PARK DISCOVERY
SUMMER CAMP

Our exciting new park discovery camps offer something for every interest! Whether your child is a budding artist, nature enthusiast, junior athlete, or a curious detective-in-training, we have a camp that will spark their imagination and keep them engaged all morning long!

JUNE 17TH - JUNE 21ST
9AM - 12PM

- Sports Camp
- Mystery & Clue Camp
- Art in the Park Camp
- Nature Camp

Register for one camp each day!
 \$20 per camper each day, ages 5 - 12

Register at smyrnaga.gov

Park Discovery Camp: Parks and Recreation's exciting new Park Discovery Camps offer something for every interest! Whether your child is a budding artist, nature enthusiast, junior athlete, or a curious detective-in-training, we have a camp that will spark their imagination and keep them engaged all morning long! Camp runs from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM, June 17 through 21, and you can register per day.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Georgia Explorers Camp: Come along and explore all the excitement Georgia has to offer. This exciting camp runs from July 8 through 12 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM each day. Campers will visit nature preserves, hike to one of the largest waterfalls in the state, visit museums, and discover the wonders of art and culture. Register your camper for the field trips that allow them to explore! Cost varies depending upon the field trip.

- Monday: Fernbank Museum
- Tuesday: Marietta Cobb Museum of Art
- Wednesday: Rope's Course & Ziplining
- Thursday: Chick-fil-A Hall of Fame
- Friday: Amicalola Falls

SMYRNA PARKS AND RECREATION
GEORGIA EXPLORERS
SUMMER CAMP

Come along and explore all the excitement Georgia has to offer. We will visit nature preserves, hike to one of the largest waterfalls in the state, visit museums, and discover the wonders of art and culture

JULY 8TH - JULY 12TH
10AM - 4PM

Register for one day or multiple!
 Price varies per field trip, ages 5 - 12

Register at smyrnaga.gov

RECREATE Smyrna
 Parks & Recreation

LUNCH
 On the Lawn

Every Other Wednesday

Take a break from your workday and join us for yard games, a food vendor and hanging out with the community on the new green space in front of the Community Center from 11am-1pm!
 *This event will be weather dependent.

FREE TO ATTEND

smyrnaga.gov

Lunch on the Lawn: Tired of repeating the same lunch break and want to mix things up? Lunch on the Lawn for 2024 will be held every other Wednesday in the new Village Green Park in front of the Community Center. There will be yard games, music, and a featured food vendor to purchase lunch and sweet treats at each event. You are also welcome to bring your own lunch. Please note that all Lunch on the Lawn events are weather permitting.

PARKS AND RECREATION



Smyrna Market: Stop by the Smyrna Market every Sunday from 10:00 AM–2:00 PM, through October 20, in the Market Village. Vendors have homemade bread, frozen treats, well-crafted artwork, and so much more!



Senior News: Recreation Coordinator Lewis Lay took a group of Wolfe Center members on a trip to BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir Hindu Temple on Saturday, May 18, in Lilburn, Georgia. After they visited the beautiful site, members enjoyed lunch together before journeying back to Smyrna.

Blanket Concert Series: The Blanket Concert Series featuring Tray Dahl & The Jugtime Ragband, originally scheduled for Saturday, May 18, has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 2. Bring your blanket and snacks to enjoy this free concert at Village Green Park from 5:00-7:00 PM.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

180 Inspections
69 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$461,054.81

Commercial (8)

- (8) Interior Renovations
 - Cortland at the Village x7 Units (2129 Lake Park Dr)
 - Smyrna Village Memory Care (1418 Spring St)

Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$262,000.00

Building Remodel/Residential (10)

- (2) Interior Renovations
 - (3) Additions
 - (5) Roof Replacement/Re-roof
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$199,054.81

HVAC (24) Electrical (15) Plumbing (1) Tree (1)

New Business

Distinguished Transport

Transportation Equipment and Supplies
(except Motor Vehicle)
3265 Atlanta Road
Ward 1

WindyHill Smryna LLC

Gasoline Stations with Convenience Stores
(ownership change)
475 Windy Hill Road
Ward 5

Pretty Body Parts

Beauty Salons
3240 S Cobb Drive, STE 850, Room 202
Ward 3

Lewis Lucas Glass Media, LLC

Entertainment
Home Business
Ward 7

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