



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, July 29, 2024

Pre-Council Meeting
6:30 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall
Admin Conference Room

Monday, July 29, 2024

Mayor and Council Meeting
7:00 PM

A. Max Bacon City Hall
Council Chambers

ADMINISTRATION



State of the City Address: In his fourth State of the City address on July 24, Mayor Derek Norton shared updates on city-wide developments, a 2023 year-in-review, and plans for the future of Smyrna with a sold-out audience at the Smyrna Community Center.



Smyrna Youth Council:
Applications Now Open: Do you know a Smyrna teen interested in local government and getting more involved in the community? Tell them to apply to be part of the 2024-2025 Smyrna Youth Council! Applications are open now through August 23. All high school students in Smyrna, including home-schooled students, are welcome to apply! [Click here for more information and to apply.](#)

SMYRNA YOUTH COUNCIL



Applications now open!
Apply by August 23rd



POLICE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 22
 Citations: 111
 Warnings: 37
 Calls for Service: 615

COURT SERVICES



Court on 7/16 (Red Light Camera Court)

Trials: 3
 Found Liable: 3

Court on 7/18

Cases: 89
 Failures to Appear: 25
 Pre-Trials: 25
 DUIs Completed: 4

PUBLIC WORKS

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

- Repairing trip hazards at Riverview Park
- Completed the Norton Place drainage project
- Repaired stormwater pipeline on Lake Drive (pictured right)
- Repaired potholes on Atlanta Road, Turpin Road, Village Parkway, and Church Road
- Continued work on the monthly mowing list



FIRE DEPARTMENT



2024 Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs Conference; A Success: The 2024 Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs Conference was a huge success! The five-day event was hosted collaboratively by Cobb Fire and Emergency Services, and the Marietta, Austell, and Smyrna Fire Departments. The conference was held at the Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel and Convention Center and hosted over 400 personnel from the fire service across 10 states.

Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 2
 Medical: 110
 Other: 60
 Total: 172

Career Chief of the Year: At the President's Dinner, the Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs presented Smyrna Fire Department's Chief Brian Marcos with the Career Chief of the Year Award.



WATER DISTRIBUTION



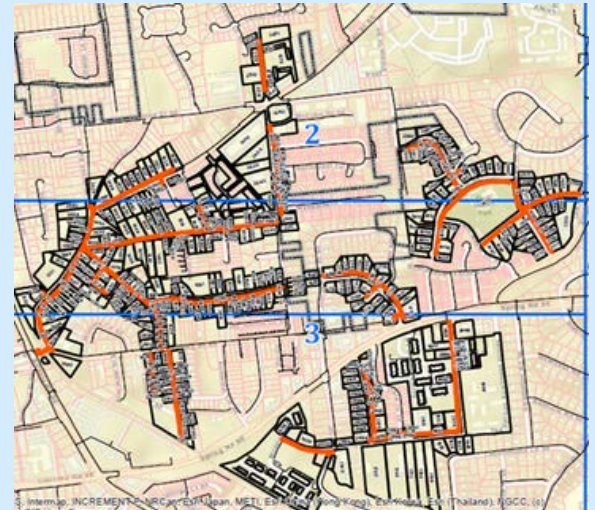
Water and Sewer staff take immense pride in the installation, repair, and upkeep of 150 miles of sewer pipes and 250 miles of water main pipes throughout the city. Currently serving 15,237 customers, our staff is committed to delivering exceptional service that goes above and beyond, ensuring a safe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

Work Orders

- Water Main Breaks: 0
- Sewer Backups: 3
- Water Service Leaks: 3
- Resolved Work Orders: 35

Atlanta Gas Light Cross Bore Project: Atlanta Gas Light is starting a CCTV project in Wards 2 and 3. The project will begin in Ward 2 on a small section and then move on to Ward 3. They will be video-inspecting the sewer mains and laterals to ensure no gas lines are going through our sewer system.

Crossed gas and sewer lines become a concern if a plumber or resident tries to fix a clogged pipe using a mechanical rotary device and puncture the gas pipeline.



Water Service Inventory Verification: This project is almost complete as staff wraps up the last of the inventory.

Water Main and Service Replacement: There are various water main and line replacements happening around the city.

- KM Davis Contracting has initiated the replacement of the water main along South Cobb Drive. They have installed 300 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.
- 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.

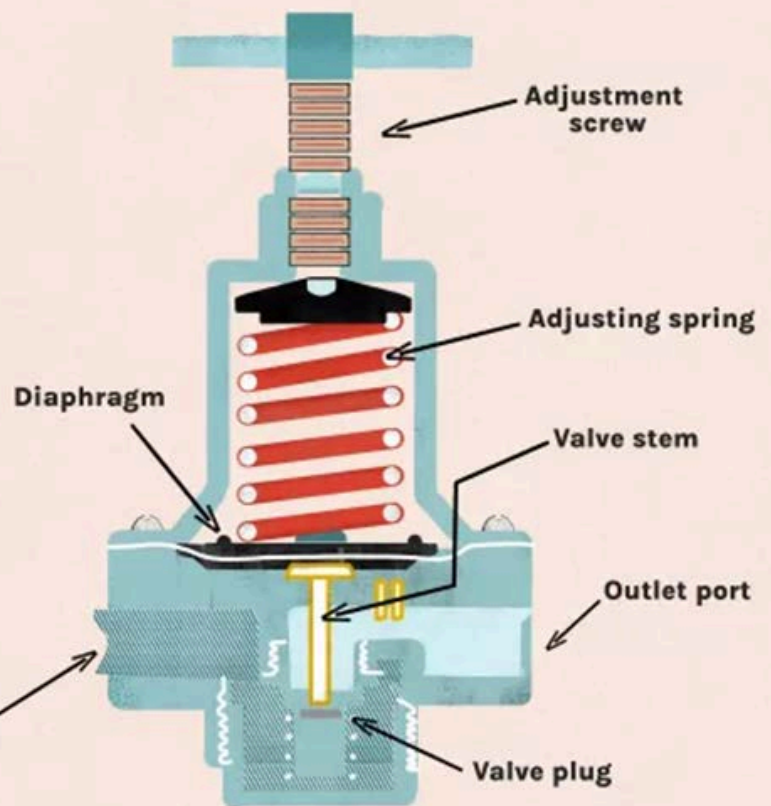
WATER DISTRIBUTION



Run Water After Vacation: A factor that affects water quality in your home is how “stale” the water is. When you leave your home or business for a long time like when taking a vacation, the water in the pipes and plumbing does not move. The best thing to do when you return is to run the water on full blast for thirty seconds to two minutes before using it for drinking or cooking. Also, always use cold water for cooking to draw in fresh water from the outside.

How a Pressure Reducing Valve Works

- ✓ Spring-loaded diaphragm widens and narrows depending on water pressure entering valve
- ✓ At high pressure, inner mechanism constricts the diaphragm to narrow flow of water
- ✓ When pressure drops, diaphragm widens to allow more water to flow through
- ✓ Adjustment screw can be tightened to increase tension on inner spring, or loosened to allow water to flow more freely



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Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV): When there is a water main break in the city or water is shut off to your home, it is recommended practice to keep all water spigots and faucets turned off until the water supply is fully restored. One common issue that homeowners experience is turning on water inside the house while the main water line is still turned off. This can lead to sediment from the water line accumulating in the screen of the PRV, resulting in low or no water flow until the PRV is cleaned or replaced.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Monthly Recycling Center Tour: Last Friday, six adults and seven kids took part in the monthly tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center. These tours are offered on the third Friday of the month at 9:00 AM and are open to the public. [Sign up for a tour today.](#)



Adopt-a-Mile Quarterly Cleanup: This weekend, more than 50 Adopt-a-Mile volunteers went out with their groups to pick up litter on their assigned mile of Smyrna roadway. Altogether, Adopt-a-Mile volunteers have picked up almost 600 pounds of litter this quarter. Due to the rain forecast, many groups postponed and will be headed out over the next couple of weeks. [Learn more about Adopt-a-Mile and how to adopt a mile.](#)

Community Cleanup: At the same time that Adopt-a-Mile groups hit their miles last Saturday, a group of 7 dedicated Community Cleanup volunteers picked up litter on East-West Connector. This group picked up 105 pounds of litter, including 30 pounds of recyclable material!



Recycling Center Tour with Busy World Learning Center and Storyland Childcare: Last week, 27 students and 4 teachers attended a tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center and took part in a paper recycling activity. KSB provides tours of the Smyrna Recycling Center and educational programs in the community to residents of all ages. [Learn more about KSB's environmental education offerings.](#)

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



Weekly Visitors

Library: 4,310

Museum: 44

Magician Wows the Crowd: Magician Arthur Atsma wowed visitors with a phenomenal and interactive performance on Monday, July 15. We're still trying to figure out how he pulled that dollar from inside the lemon!



Spooky Adventures at the Library: On Tuesday, July 16, our tweens had a spooky, gooey, adventure in the dark! They toasted their last Creativity Club of the summer with s'mores while they listened to scary stories and invented their own.



Keep Smyrna Beautiful Supports Purchase of New Books on the Environment: A big thank you to Keep Smyrna Beautiful for their annual donation which allows Smyrna Library to purchase environmental books for our young readers.

Cemetery Cleanup: Ten volunteers helped clean cemetery stones at Smyrna Memorial Cemetery on Saturday, July 20. The rainy weather held off just in time for us to clean around 30 stones. The next cemetery clean-up will be on Saturday, September 7. In a few weeks, Ashley Shares, the Director of Preservation at Oakland Cemetery, will begin fixing broken and loose stones in Smyrna Memorial Cemetery.

PARKS AND RECREATION



Wolfe Center Therapy Pool: The Wolfe Center Therapy Pool reopened this week to the delight of the senior patrons. The pool was closed for a few weeks to install the new PoolPak system. New lights were also installed over the pool, giving the senior adults a clean, warm, and well-lit pool area.

Tolleson Pool: Tolleson Pool will be open on weekends only beginning July 27. Although children go back to school soon, the summer is still heating up. Cool down at the end of each week and have some fun with your family on Saturdays and Sundays from 11:00 AM-6:00 PM. Pool passes are available for adults for \$7 and for children under 16 for \$5.



Batting Cages at Chuck Camp Park: The batting cages at Chuck Camp Park are nearing completion. Jeff Moss, a member of the amazing Parks Maintenance staff, worked diligently this week to install nets to the new batting cages. Commercial Buildings installed posts and cables before the nets were installed. The cages are another fantastic addition to the parks system in Smyrna.

PARKS AND RECREATION



Back to School Bash: Gear up for a fantastic school year at our Back to School Bash! This fun-filled event is open to the community and the perfect way to celebrate wrapping up the summer. We will have inflatable bounce houses, touch-a-truck with the Smyrna Fire Department, lunch options, and giveaways. Smyrna Fire Department, Keep Smyrna Beautiful, Smyrna Library, and of course, Smyrna Parks and Recreation will all be onsite to host this community event at Tolleson Park on Thursday, July 25, from 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM. The event is free to the community, so stop in and join in the fun! Please note that the location has changed from Chuck Camp Park to Tolleson Park.



Smyrna Market: The Smyrna Market continues each Sunday from 10:00 AM-2:00 PM in the Market Village through October 20. There are special treats for everyone to enjoy, including pets! Stop by this Sunday and find healthy homemade dog treats, delicious handmade breads, vibrant produce, and so much more.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

245 Inspections

104 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$910,833.00

Commercial (4)

(3) Interior Renovations

- Cortland at the Village x2 units (2113 Lake Park Dr SE)
- Amana Academy (2200 Lake Park Dr SE)

(1) Cell Tower Colocations/Generators

- Dish Wireless (2190 Atlanta Rd SE)

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$302,000.00

Demolition (1)

(1) Full Demolition

- Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$40,000.00

Electrical (4) HVAC (16)

Plumbing (1) Sign (2) Tree (3)

Building Remodel/Residential (9)

(1) Accessory Structure

(2) Additions

(3) Interior Renovations

(2) Roof Replacement/Re-roof

(1) Other

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$467,333.00

Grading (1)

(1) Modular Block

- Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$1,500.00

Pool (1)

(1) In-ground pool

- Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$100,000

New Businesses

BigWilCutz

Barber Shops
2550 Cobb Parkway, STE 204
Ward 1

BlessedHandz

Beauty Salons
3240 South Cobb Drive,
STE 850, Room 124
Ward 5

Soulful Shears

Beauty Salons
3240 South Cobb Drive,
STE 850, Room 201
Ward 5

Colinary Interests

Caterers
Home Business
Ward 1

Totally Vain

All Other General
Merchandise Retailers
2448 South Cobb Drive, STE A
Ward 5

B Green Services LLC

Other Waste Collection
5529 Oakdale Road
Ward 7

Beauty Nails Salon

Nail Salons
2350 Spring Road, STE 300
Ward 2

Referent

Other Management Consulting
Services
Home Business
Ward 5

HomeStar Living LLC

Janitorial Services
5529 Oakdale Road
Ward 7

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