

Mayor and City Council Update  
November 15, 2019



To: Mayor and Council  
From: Administration  
CC: Department Heads

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### Administration

**Community Development Block Grant Program** - The City of Smyrna's PY2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) allocations have been approved by the Cobb County Board of Commissioners (BOC). The City of Smyrna's approved funding amount is \$212,178.31.

### Library

**Friends Book Sale** – The Friends of Smyrna Library will hold their fall used book sale in the Library Meeting Room from Friday, November 15, through Monday, November 18.



**Grow With Google workshops** – The library has continued its partnership with “Grow With Google” to offer two additional free workshops. Both are on Monday, November 18, and will be held at the Community Center. The first workshop is for jobseekers, and the second covers digital skills everyone needs for productivity in their professional and personal lives. To RSVP for the jobseeker workshop: <https://tinyurl.com/y3e5jcd3>. To RSVP for the digital skills workshop: <https://bit.ly/334XH3L>.

**Painting Donation** – On Thursday, November 14, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Stroud donated a large painting by Mr. Stroud’s mother, Ada Stroud, depicting the historic Concord Bridge. The painting had been commissioned by the Georgia State Bank in 1964 and hung in its facility until closing, when it was returned to Mr. Stroud. The painting is very large, so the Strouds have been looking for a permanent home where the community can enjoy the work. The painting fits perfectly in the library’s upstairs Conference Room. Coincidentally, the figure in the painting is a friend of the artist, named Mary Moore!



## **Department of Environmental Services**

### America Recycles Day

On Saturday, November 16, from 10:00 until 2:00, KSB and the Smyrna Recycling Center will be celebrating Recyclers Appreciation Day. There will be giveaways and more.

### Relocation

Janet and Julie will be at City Hall for approximately one more week.

### Training

Staff is attending the Keep Georgia Beautiful Foundation Conference the first week of December.

Staff attended an Instagram Training and came back with great ideas on how to boost engagement.

### **Recycling Center:**

#### Rat Gate

Body count – 8.

We are looking at another week or so before cleaning can begin. Our vendor assures us the cleaning will be done before Thanksgiving.

## October Totals

Pounds collected: 109,826

Total number of customers: 2060

## **Environmental Services:**

### Community Garden

Re-construction on the Community Garden will begin in a few weeks. Staff has found a company that can supply garden plot kits and will be starting a Pilot Program with three gardeners to see how they like the new plots.

Lease renewals will be going out the first week of December.

### Sustainability

Staff continues to work on the ARC Green Communities Designation and the outline for a 3 – 5 year sustainability plan. They will be meeting with Tammi and Scott in a couple of weeks. Thank you to all who have assisted.

### Hefty® EnergyBag® program

Staff is stalled right now waiting on the starter kits and flyer from Keep Cobb Beautiful. While we had hoped to begin the program this calendar year, it could be January 2020 before it kicks off.

Staff met with Utility Billing to fill them in on the program as they will be one of the places residents can go to sign up.

## **Parks & Recreation**

The Parks and Recreation Department is collecting coats (and scarves, hats and gloves) to donate to MUST Ministries. You can drop off new, or slightly used coats, hats, scarves and gloves at the Community Center, Wolfe Adult Recreation Center and Brawner Hall through December 20, 2019.

The following events are planned for this holiday season:

- Home for the Holidays Tree Lighting      Dec. 3
- Winter Wonderland Walks                      Dec. 5, 12, & 19
- Burlap Door Decoration                         Dec. 7
- Ugly Christmas Sweater Block Party         Dec. 7
- Christmas Trivia                                    Dec. 9 & 16
- Healthy Holiday Eating Workshop             Dec. 10
- Sugar Cookies with Chef Elizabeth            Dec. 11
- 12 Cocktails of Christmas                      Dec. 13
- Breakfast with the Grinch                      Dec. 14
- Gingerbread Houses                               Dec. 15
- Christmas Sweets Basics                        Dec. 18
- PJs, Popcorn and Movie                         Dec. 20

## Public Works

### **WATER /SEWER**

Water / Sewer Division CCTV (Videoing) and Jetting Ward 4, **project 50%** complete.

South Cobb water main, all case and bores are completed under South Cobb. Main 12" line is now being installed, Project 98% complete. The installation of this water main will allow Public works to abandon old water main in South Cobb Drive from banks to church street, in the future Public Works will be able abandon all water in the state owned road that not only poses a threat to staff during repairs, but allows public works to repair lines without having to wait on the states permits.

Projects, Sub-Basin 3 CIPP all bypass pipe has been fused and stretched out along all of construction roads, this has been completed. CCTV sub-contractor for IPR videoing and cleaning has been completed. Lining of sewer main started this week. The rehab will take place in Ward 2 and Ward 3. **Project 50%** complete.

Church Street water main began this week starting at South Cobb and will continue to tie into Atlanta Road. **Project 13%** complete.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Crews working on asphaltting potholes, concrete work orders, grass cutting and repairing curbing and gutter.

Woodland Trail sidewalk installation project has begun, all clearing of trees and grading has been completed, Street Department has started construction on the walls, **project 40%** complete.

Fleet Maintenance Division has started the installation of new GPS units in 81 City vehicles, starting with Public Works vehicles, all other departments will be scheduled accordingly through our Fleet Manager, Patten Smith.

### **SPLOST**

**Roswell Street Roundabout:** Vertical Earth LLC contractor installing storm pipe for new round about, **project 10%** complete.

**Gann Road Bridge:** Road way is now open, and all bridge work has been completed. **Project 100%** completed.

**Annual Paving:** 27 streets throughout the city that will be resurfaced. **Project 95%** complete. Roads completed to date are, Alexander Dr, Anderson Circle, North Ave, Technology Ct, West Manor Dr, Oakdale Ct, Lois Pointe, Old Vinings Parkway, Vinings Mill Tr, Ridge Rd, Forest Mist Dr, Reed Rd, Honeysuckle Dr, N. Thomas Ln, Foxcliff Ct, Old Spring Rd, Benmac Rd, Kennesaw Way, Park Rd, Falling Water Dr, Ridgecrest Ln, Glenroy Dr, Spring Street. Striping to begin next week.

## Fire Department

### Incidents

Fire-2

Medical- 65

Other- 50

Total- 117

## Police Department

Total number of arrests: 29

Total number of citations issued: 135

Total number of calls for service: 937

Total number of employees on limited duty:

Vacancies:

Police Officers 10

Detention Officers 1

Communication Officers 2

Training: 88 hours

Accomplishments:

Our Detectives just arrested two armed robbery suspects who have robbed several of our pharmacies and might be responsible for many more here in Cobb County. The weapon used was a machete, which there was one in the vehicle upon their arrest.

## Community Development

Type	#	Estimated Cost of Construction	Location
Building New/Residential	3	\$548,777	3-Grove at Adam's Pond
Building Remodel/Residential	10	\$448,900	1-Interior 7-Remodel w/Addition 1-Accessory Structure 1-Demo
Building Remodel/Commercial	7	\$484,597	6-Remodel-2400 Lake Park Dr (Lablynx), 3300 Highlands Pkwy (Bathrooms & Henkel), 4924 S Cobb Dr (B&W Café), & 5350 United Dr (Frenchies) 1-Reroof-157 Concord Close Cir (Gazebo)
Electrical	1	-	-
Plumbing	4	-	-
HVAC	5	-	-
Signs	5	-	5-Wall Signs-3240 S Cobb Dr (Regions Bank), 400 Village Green Cir (Mikkey's Retro Grill), 6255 River View Rd (Reformation Brewery)
Grading	-	-	-

**Community Development Continued...**

**WEEKLY INSPECTIONS**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b># of Sites</b>
All	114	78

**NEW BUSINESSES**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Home/Commercial</b>	<b>Description</b>
VIKING BOAT AND STORAGE	1766 CORN RD	COMMERCIAL	PARKING
PHYSOTHERAPY RESULTS	1155 CONCORD RD STE 210	COMMERCIAL	THERAPIST

## Weekly Rental Report

Nov 6 - Nov 12, 2019

	Resident	Non Resident	City Function	Allied Groups (Pro Bono)	Programmed Activity	Independent Contractor
<b>Community Center</b>						
Magnolia	2	2				
Dogwood	1	2				
Jonquil	1	1				
Sunflower		1			1	
Azelea		2			1	
Tulip		1				
Daisy					3	
Lily		1				
Orchid	1	2				
Large Gym					3	
Small Gym					3	
<b>Wedding Gazebo</b>	1					
<b>Brawner Hall</b>						
Banquet Hall	2	1				
Studio A	2	1				
Studio B	1					
Conference						
<b>Taylor Brawner House</b>						
<b>Reed House</b>	1					
<b>Aunt Fanny's Cabin</b>						
<b>Tolleson Day Room</b>		1				
<b>Pavilions</b>						
Brinkley (2)						
Chuck Camp						
Church Street						
Cobb (2)	1					
Jonquil						
Lake Court						
Riverline (2)						
Rose Garden (2)						
Taylor Brawner (3)	2	1				
Tolleson (2)	2					
Whitfield						
<b>Sports Fields</b>						
Brinkley					1	
Chuck Camp					2	
Jonquil					1	
Riverline					1	
Tolleson					2	
Cobb					1	
Ward					1	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>		<b>20</b>	