



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



UPCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, January 13, 2025

Planning & Zoning Commission
Cancelled

Thursday, January 16, 2025

Committee of the Whole

6:00 PM

HR Training Room

A. Max Bacon City Hall

HUMAN RESOURCES



Amy Tabor

Part-Time Library Aide
Library
Hired: 01/06



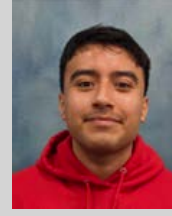
Eliseo Aleman

Water/Sewer Maintenance
Technician I
Water Distribution
Hired: 01/06



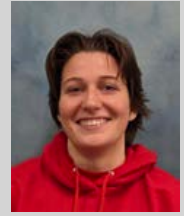
Anderson Thomas

Environment &
Erosion Inspector
Engineering
Hired: 01/06



Diego Tamayo

Firefighter
Fire Department
Hired: 01/06



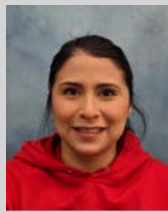
Abigail Bachman

Firefighter
Fire Department
Hired: 01/06



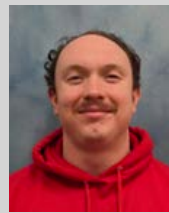
Edward Oudt

Firefighter
Fire Department
Hired: 01/06



Ariana Rueda Mena

Firefighter
Fire Department
Hired: 01/06



Storm Walker

Firefighter
Fire Department
Hired: 01/06



Conner Jones

Firefighter
Fire Department
Hired: 01/06

≡ Welcome ≡

TO SMYRNA!

Our new wellness platform is now LIVE for 2025. You should have received an email from Gopivot on 01/02/2025 with information on how to register and set up your new account! You will be able to accrue points that can be cashed in for gift cards for anything you want (concert tickets, amazon, apple watch, travel, and more). We will have an ON-SITE kickoff meeting on 01/27 @ 1:00 PM located in the HR Training Room at City Hall, and on 01/28 at 8:00 AM in the Police Department Training Room. Please join us at a time that is convenient for you. If attended, you will automatically receive 1,500 points! Please reach out to Human Resources with any questions!



POLICE DEPARTMENT



Remodeling at the Police Department: The Smyrna Police Department 9-1-1 Communications Center is currently undergoing a complete remodel project for 2025. Late last year, our dispatchers were relocated to our Emergency Operations Center to continue serving the City of Smyrna during the renovations. Some of the renovations include new carpet throughout, new cubicle workstations, new paint, new equipment, and new technology. We look forward to seeing the progress in the next few weeks for our "first" first responders who are some of the best Public Safety Dispatchers in Cobb County.

Weekly Police Totals

Arrests: 13
 Citations: 178
 Warnings: 59
 Calls for Service: 648

FIRE DEPARTMENT



Weekly Fire Totals

Fire: 12
 Medical: 101
 Other: 48
 Total: 161

Smyrna Fire Department 2024 Year-End Review: 2024 was a great year for Smyrna. We cannot wait to see what we accomplish together in 2025! [Click here to view our 2024 Year-End Review.](#)

LIBRARY AND MUSEUM

Library Reopening: Smyrna Library re-opened on Monday, January 6, after a two-week closure for HVAC upgrades. The work was completed on time, and the library is warm and back in business. During the closure, library staff continued to work in the building by providing curbside pickup services, checking the book drop, shelving, answering queries, planning programs and displays, and ordering and processing books.

Weekly Visitors

Library: Closed for Maintenance
Museum: 27



Mayor Porterfield presents Governor Carter with a centennial license. Gov. Carter is guest speaker at centennial banquet.

President Jimmy Carter: The recent passing of the 39th President of the United States, Jimmy Carter, prompted a dive into the museum archives. This photo is from the 1972 booklet celebrating Smyrna’s Centennial; then Georgia Governor Carter came to Smyrna to speak at a banquet during the centennial celebrations. Here Smyrna Mayor John Porterfield hands Governor Carter a commemorative license plate; copies of which are also held at the Smyrna Museum.

PUBLIC WORKS

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

- Repaired sidewalk trip hazards on North Cooper Lake Road and Anderson Circle
- Replaced a modular block wall on Stonecreek Drive
- Removed fallen trees from the roadway on Glenroy Drive, Spring Road, Hyssop Boulevard, and Dickerson Drive
- Repaired roadway and potholes on Timberland Street, Lee Street, Riverline Park, and Riverview Road
- Cleared leaves and debris from curb throughout multiple wards

WATER DISTRIBUTION

The City of Smyrna Water/Sewer and Utilities office is committed to its fundamental objective:

- To provide our citizens with a water supply and system of the highest quality, which includes wastewater collection
- Protect the system by meeting or exceeding all regulatory requirements in an environmentally sound manner
- Ensure the city's needs are met

Work Orders

Water Main Breaks: 0
 Water Service Leaks: 4
 Sewer Backups: 3
 Resolved Work Orders: 15

Water Line Replacement Projects: Various water line replacements are happening around the city. Contractors complete these projects as part of the ongoing thirty-year water line replacement program. Staff members select lines based on criteria such as age, size, and pipe material. Recent/current projects include:

- Lake Court, Westbrooke Drive, Colby Court, Lee Street: Completed
- Debra Drive: In progress
- Vaneta Way, Spring Creek Drive, Beech Valley Drive: Landscape in progress
- Honeysuckle Way, Green Forest Parkway, Doeskin Lane, Doeskin Trail: scheduled to begin this month

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Hawthorne Education Center Garden Work Day: Keep Smyrna Beautiful held its second monthly garden workday at the Cobb County School's Adult Education building on Hawthorne Avenue. KSB helped restore the garden last year and is committed to helping maintain the garden in the years to come, alongside staff and students. Staff at the building report that students were able to harvest some of the lettuces and herbs before they went on winter break!

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES



Bring One for the Chipper: Last weekend, Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers unloaded Christmas trees from more than 200 cars and gave away oak, persimmon, and redbud seedlings at our annual Bring One for the Chipper Christmas tree recycling event. Every year, this event keeps thousands of trees out of the landfill and gives them a second life as mulch.

Adopt-a-Tree: Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteers recently rescued about 35 plants including oaks, black cherry trees, and azaleas from a property slated for development on Fleming Street. Once established, these plants will become available to residents to take home at no cost to them. [Visit our website to learn more and to request a free tree.](#)

ADOPT-A-TREE

- FREE small trees & seedlings!
- Inventory is always changing
- First come, first served

keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/adopt-a-tree

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Environmental Scholarship Applications Open: Keep Smyrna Beautiful offers a \$4,500 scholarship for a student currently pursuing or planning to pursue a degree in an environmentally related field. Applications are due on March 2, 2025. Applicants must be a resident of Smyrna or currently enrolled in Campbell High School or Whitefield Academy. [Visit our website for more details.](#)

2025 MLK Jr. Days of Service: Keep Smyrna Beautiful will have several opportunities for service during the week leading up to MLK Day including Community Cleanups, a Habitat Rehabilitation, and the opportunity to check out to-go cleanup kits. You can visit our [volunteer page](#) for links to the volunteer event registration and to request a cleanup kit.

2025 MLK JR DAYS OF SERVICE



Scheduled Opportunities

Thursday, January 16: Community Cleanup
Noon to 1:30pm

Friday, January 17: Habitat Rehabilitation
Remove invasive, nonnative plants, 3pm to 5pm

Saturday, January 18: Community Cleanup
(Same time as Adopt-a-Mile), 9am to 10:30am

Independent Volunteering

To-Go Cleanup Kit
Check out a to-go cleanup kit for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



Scan the QR code to visit KSB's volunteer page for links to the volunteer sign ups and to request a to-go cleanup kit.



PARKS AND RECREATION



Parks Maintenance: Quinn Turf Management was contracted to do some dress-up work at Ward Park. The company edged the dugout areas and spread warning track material over the dirt. This gave the dugouts and field a refreshed look to get ready for the upcoming spring season.

Smyrna Market: [Applications are now open](#) for the Smyrna Market. The market will open on Sunday, May 4, 2025.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Daddy Daughter Dance: Dads, bring your daughters out for a night of neon and nostalgia! Dance to classic hits while dressed in your best retro outfits and make unforgettable memories together. This event is for daughters ages 0-12. The cost is \$60 per couple and \$15 for each additional sibling. [Registration is now open!](#)



Nerf Wars: Ready, set, Nerf! Get ready for a blast from the past at our Mother-Son Nerf Wars: 80's throwback! Grab your neon leg warmers, crazy prints, and your favorite Nerf blaster for an action-packed evening of fun and bonding. This event is for sons ages 5-12. The cost is \$60 per couple and \$15 for each additional sibling. [Register today!](#)

Cooking Camp: Calling all junior chefs! At our newest [Winter Break Cooking Camp](#), campers will learn the basics of cooking and create delicious meals and treats. Covered in camp will be kitchen safety 101, how to prep a meal, how different flavors can come together, and the importance of a clean workstation. The cost is \$200 per person, ages 6-12. Early care (8:30-9:45 AM) and aftercare (4:30-5:30 PM) are available for \$40 each or \$70 to bundle.



PARKS AND RECREATION



Parent's NIGHT OUT

\$30 per child

Let us handle the childcare at the Smyrna Community Center, January 17th, 5pm-8pm!

It's Pixar night! We will create our very own cartoons and comics, enjoy a Pixar movie, and play entertaining games in the gym. Dinner will be served to participants.

*Children must be potty trained and ages 4-12

Register today at smyrnaga.gov

RECREATE Smyrna Parks & Recreation

January Parents Night Out: It's Pixar night! Let us handle the childcare while you enjoy an evening to yourself. Participants will create their very own cartoons and comics, enjoy a Pixar movie, and play entertaining games in the gym. Dinner will be served to each registered participant. The cost is \$30 per child, ages 4-12. Please note that children must be potty trained.

Galentine's Day Brunch: This February, grab your gals and join us for a Galentine's Day brunch! During the event, mocktails will be served for those 21 and under, and cocktails will be provided for participants 21 and up. There will be a pancake bar, cookie decorating, Valentine's Day/rom-com trivia, music, and a themed craft! The cost is \$45 per person ages 16+.



You are invited to Smyrna Parks & Rec's
Galentine's day Brunch

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH 11AM - 1PM

SMYRNA COMMUNITY CENTER | \$45 PER PERSON 16+

REGISTRATION OPENS MONDAY, JANUARY 6TH AT SMYRNAGA.GOV



KIDS Smyrna Market

MARCH 22ND 1PM - 4PM
SMYRNA COMMUNITY CENTER

Join us for a day of fun and discovery as talented kids showcase their handmade products, from jewelry and imaginative artwork to delicious homemade treats and so much more!

smyrnaga.gov

Kids Market: Smyrna Parks and Recreation is hosting a Kids Handmade Market on Saturday, March 22 from 1:00-4:00 PM at the Smyrna Community Center. This market is open to kids between the ages of 5-15. Applications are now being accepted.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



Weekly Inspections:

448 Inspections

158 Sites

Total Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$70,282,542.25

Commercial (32)

(30) Interior Renovations

- Cortland at the Village x30 units (2095 Lake Park Dr SE)

(2) New Construction

- Link Lake Park Apartments x2 units (2400 Lake Park Dr)

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$66,499,972.00

Grading (3)

(2) Land Disturbance

- Residential
- Link Lake Park Apartments (2400 Lake Park Dr)

(1) Modular Block

- Link Lake Park Apartments (2400 Lake Park Dr)

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$1,733,355.00

Building Remodel/Residential (19)

(2) Additions

(3) New Construction

(5) Roof Replacements/Re-roof

(9) Interior Renovations

Estimated Cost of Construction: \$1,779,565.25

Demolition (1)

(1) Full Demolition

- Residential

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$10,000.00

Pool (1)

(1) In-ground

- Link Lake Park Apartments (2400 Lake Park Dr)

Estimated Cost of Construction:

\$259,650.00

Electrical (8) Plumbing (3) HVAC (14) Sign (4)

New Businesses

Alkemi Media, LLC

Video Production

Home Business

Ward 5

Sleek Brow

Other Personal Care Services (Microblading)

3240 South Cobb Drive, STE 850, Room 207

Ward 5

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