



CITY OF SMYRNA

STAFF REPORTS FOR MAYOR AND COUNCIL



NO UPCOMING MEETINGS

ADMINISTRATION

CANNED FOOD DRIVE

The Smyrna Youth Council will host a canned food drive booth at this year's Home for the Holidays event on December 2! Help support families in need by donating items such as canned green beans, canned corn, stuffing, and macaroni and cheese. Please bring your contributions to the Smyrna Youth Council booth during the event. All donations will benefit the Smyrna Public Safety Foundation's "Shop With a Hero" program.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

CANNED FOOD DRIVE!

PROCEEDS TO SMYRNA PUBLIC SAFETY "SHOP WITH A HERO" PROGRAM

PROVIDING HOLIDAY MEALS TO FAMILIES IN NEED

CANNED GREEN BEANS **CANNED CORN**

STUFFING **MAC + CHEESE**

PRESENTED BY SMYRNA YOUTH COUNCIL

DECEMBER 2ND, 2025

5 - 9 PM

SMYRNA MARKET VILLAGE

COURT SERVICES



VISIT FROM THE CITY OF MABLETON

Several clerks from the City of Mableton Municipal Court visited City Hall on Thursday, November 13, to observe Smyrna's court proceedings.

NO COURT 11/11



COURT ON 11/13

Cases: 84

Cases Completed: 48

FIRE DEPARTMENT



TOYS FOR TOTS

The Smyrna Fire Department is currently participating in the annual Toys for Tots Drive. We are collecting new, unwrapped toys to support children in need this holiday season. Donation boxes are available in the Station 1 lobby, which is open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SMYRNA SAFE BUSINESS RECOGNITION

The 2025 Smyrna Safe Business Program participants were recognized at the November 17 Mayor and Council meeting for their dedication and achievement.

WEEKLY FIRE TOTALS

Fire: 0
 Medical: 106
 Other: 60
 Total: 166



HUMAN RESOURCES

Upcoming City Employee Birthdays:

Richard James	11/24	Gene Williams	11/27
Jeffrey Camey-Garcia	11/25	Gerardo Gonzalez Buenrostro	11/29
Jaasiel Martinez	11/25	Brayden Baldwin	11/29
Jaylin Butts	11/26	Angel Saldana Fernandez	11/29
Alexandria Rawls	11/26	Cameron Johnson	11/29
Keith Moses	11/26	Sheldon White	11/29
Jose Garcia	11/26	Shannon Werner	11/30



HUMAN RESOURCES

WELCOME TO SMYRNA



Emily Courtney
 Police Officer
 Police Department
 11/03/2025



Alyssa Cole
 Police Officer
 Police Department
 11/03/2025



Bryan Sheppard
 Maintenance Technician
 Parks and Recreation
 11/03/2025

POLICE DEPARTMENT

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

As the six week Citizens Police Academy class comes to an end, last week's activities deserve special recognition. Participants took part in role playing scenarios that included traffic stops and basic constitutional rights calls for service. They were able to walk through each scenario and experience how a routine traffic stop can be either compliant or not so simple. Participants also had the opportunity to attend ALERRT training. They witnessed firsthand, while serving as role players, how officers train to keep the community safe.



WEEKLY POLICE TOTALS

Arrests: 29
 Traffic Stops: 197
 Citations: 138
 Warnings: 111
 Service Calls: 722

PUBLIC WORKS

GENERATOR UPGRADES COMPLETE

The final generator was installed on Tuesday, November 18, at Fire Station 1, completing the transition of all generators to natural gas. This upgrade will provide more reliable and efficient power support for the city's facilities.



The Street Department has been working on the following tasks:

- Completing a curb installation on Dixie Avenue at Belmont Avenue (pictured below)
- Repairing broken catch basin tops on West Cooper Lake Road, Norton Place, Karen Court, and Benell Court
- Repairing sidewalk on Elle Court and Atlanta Road
- Repairing asphalt on Windy Hill Road, Green Forrest Drive, Cooper Lake Road and Village Parkway
- Clearing debris from curbs in multiple wards
- Continuing work on the monthly right-of-way mowing and trimming schedule



FINANCE DEPARTMENT

COBB COUNTY SMALL BUSINESS FORUM

On Thursday, November 13, Smyrna Finance Department representatives Kelly Brown and Starla Whiddon attended the Cobb County Small Business Forum, where they hosted a booth and heard remarks from Chairwoman Lisa Cupid. The event was held at the Jim R. Miller Event Center.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

BRICKS & MINIFIGS GRAND OPENING

Last weekend, the City of Smyrna and the Smyrna Business Association celebrated the ribbon cutting and grand opening of Bricks & Minifigs, owned by Justin Tenischi. The shop is stocked with everything LEGO lovers enjoy, including new sets, retired collections, bulk pieces, and options to buy, sell, or trade. Justin looks forward to growing with the Smyrna community and plans to offer brick building date nights, birthday parties, and activities for all ages. Learn more about Bricks & Minifigs [here!](#)



LIBRARY AND MUSEUM



POP-UP EVENT RECAP

On Saturday, November 17, the Native American History Month Craft Pop-Up drew 45 participants. Kids and parents learned about petroglyphs through rock painting and made gorget necklaces while learning about symbols used by the Muscogee Creek and Cherokee peoples that used to inhabit the Smyrna area.

WEEKLY VISITORS

Museum: 69

UPCOMING POP-UP EVENT

The next kids pop-up event will be on Saturday, December 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will focus on winter holidays that are celebrated around the world.

PARKS AND RECREATION

SMYRNA BRIGHT NIGHTS

The Smyrna Bright Nights event **registration** is now open! Do you have an amazing holiday light display to share with the community? Add your home to the interactive map that families will use to find all the festive displays around Smyrna. The map goes live on December 2, so don't miss your chance to help spread some holiday cheer!



HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

A flyer for the "Home for the Holidays" event. The background is dark blue with white pine branches and red berries. The text reads: "Home for the Holidays", "TUESDAY, DEC. 2 | 5:00 - 9:00 PM", "Market Village & Village Green Park", "7:00 PM - Santa arrives and lights the giant Christmas Tree!", "Come along with us to kickoff the holiday season! Enjoy music and songs, plus, shop the Kris Kringle Market.", "Visit with Santa in the Market Village after the tree lighting ceremony.", and the Smyrna Parks & Recreation logo.

Come celebrate the season at Smyrna's annual Home for the Holidays Extravaganza on Tuesday, December 2, from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Market Village! Enjoy live music, the Kris Kringle Market, and the highlight of the evening, Santa lighting the city's beautiful Christmas tree. Don't miss this festive community tradition!

A flyer for the Kris Kringle Market event. The background is red with green holly leaves and red berries. The text reads: "KRIS KRINGLE MARKET", "December 2 5pm-8pm", "Village Green Park", and the Smyrna Parks & Recreation logo.

A flyer for the "Santa Stops By 2025" event. The background is dark red with white text and images of Santa Claus. The text reads: "Santa Stops By", "Make this a Christmas to remember!", "Register and Santa Claus will come to your home with a small surprise and lots of joy!", "During his visit at your front door or porch, Santa will pose for pictures with your children and family.", "Don't forget your letter!", "This is open to City of Smyrna Residents ONLY.", "Register at smyrnaga.gov today!", and the Smyrna Parks & Recreation logo. There are two photos of Santa Claus: one standing in a doorway and one sitting on a chair.

SANTA STOPS BY 2025

Slots are filling quickly for Santa Stops By 2025. Visit **our website** for details and to secure your spot for this popular annual event.

PARKS AND RECREATION



GIRL'S NIGHT OUT RECAP

On Thursday, November 13, Smyrna Parks and Recreation hosted Girls Night Out in the Market Village, drawing 249 participants for an evening of fun. Guests received a passport to be stamped at 12 participating businesses—including Lickers and Whines, The Vineyard, Village Hideout, Conceit, and The Bunny Hive—for a chance to win prizes such as local gift cards and Parks and Recreation merchandise. Many Market Village businesses also offered specials for the event, making it a lively and memorable night.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL SATURDAY RECAP

College football fans enjoyed the third College Football Saturday of the year on November 15. Attendees watched two games on the big screen, enjoyed prize and T-shirt giveaways, and listened to great music. For those who made a day of it, the event also featured a food truck, a gourmet popcorn stand, and a small bar for adults. Don't forget to join Parks and Recreation for the final CFS of the year on Saturday, December 6, on the Village Green Lawn!



TOLLESON TRAIL BRIDGE UPDATE

The Tolleson Trail Bridge project continues to make steady progress. Significant work is underway to ensure the bridges and surrounding trails are safe and accessible for everyone enjoying the paths.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Last week, Keep Smyrna Beautiful visited both King Springs Elementary School and Mt. Harmony Weekday Early Education (WEE) School to talk about recycling. At King Springs, Environmental Club members led a hands-on paper-making activity, creating their own recycled paper. The little ones at the WEE School learned that paper comes from trees and even got to touch paper at each phase of the recycling process!



SMYRNA COMMUNITY GARDEN WORKDAY

Gardeners who lease plots at the Smyrna Community Garden got a welcome boost from high school volunteers during Saturday's workday. Students from the youth-led Rooted in Solutions group and the Wheeler High School National Honor Society pitched in to help weed, mulch, and tidy up the garden.



POLLINATOR POCKET GARDEN WORKDAY

On Friday, November 14, a Keep Smyrna Beautiful volunteer helped refresh the Adopt-a-Tree area of the Pollinator Pocket Garden at the Smyrna Recycling Center. They laid new gravel and tidied the space, making it ready to house the small trees and seedlings available for adoption.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

SCHOOL GRANT PROPOSALS DUE DECEMBER 1

Help spread the word! Through December 1, 2025, Keep Smyrna Beautiful is accepting applications for KSB School Grants up to \$2,500 for K-12 schools within the City of Smyrna! Funding can support tree planting, school gardens, environmental education, and campus beautification projects. Learn more and download the guidelines: keepsmyrnabeautiful.com/school-partnerships.



AMERICA RECYCLES DAY

Saturday, November 15, was America Recycles Day, a national observance dedicated to promoting recycling awareness. Leading up to the day, Keep Smyrna Beautiful shared a series of informational videos and posts on social media to help residents better understand recycling in Smyrna; including the top items that should not go in curbside recycling.



MONTHLY RECYCLING CENTER TOURS

Celebrate America Recycles Day by signing up for our monthly free tour of the Smyrna Recycling Center! The next tour is Friday, November 21, at 9 a.m. Sign up [here](#) today.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

WEEKLY INSPECTIONS:

202 Inspections
9 Sites



TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF CONSTRUCTION:
\$1,042,024.88

Commercial (1)

- (1) Roof Replacement/Re-Roof
 - Highlands Station (4480 S Cobb Dr SE)
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$358,700.00

Building Remodel/Residential (10)

- (2) Accessory Structure
 - (4) Addition
 - (3) Roof Replacement/Re-Roof
 - (1) Interior Renovation
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$628,824.88

Electrical (5) Plumbing (2) HVAC (7) Sign (3) Tree (4)

Demo (1)

- (1) Full Demolition
 - Residential
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$3,500.00

Grading (1)

- (1) Modular Block
 - Residential
- Estimated Cost of Construction:
\$51,000.00

NEW BUSINESSES

A & T salon

Beauty Salons
2365 Spring Rd SE, Unit
STE 214, Smyrna, GA 30080
Ward 1

Meimei LLC

Esthetician (i.e., skin care) services
1797 Spring Rd SE, Unit STE 3, Smyrna,
GA 30080
Ward 2

The Academy GA, LLC.

Educational Support Services
2750 Atlanta Rd SE, Unit STE
201B, Smyrna, GA 30080
Ward 3

Thrive Private Home Care, LLC

Home Health Care Services
Home Business
Ward 5

The Holiday Scribe, LLC

Other Specialized Design Services
Home Business
Ward 7

MyLexi Services

Bookkeeping services
Home Business
Ward 7

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