# INSIDE SANDY SPRINGS



### **PUBLIC MEETINGS**



**VIEW EVENT** 

Public Meeting
North Springs MARTA TOD /
Peachtree Dunwoody Corridor
Study
Monday, November 18



Public Meeting
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, November 19



Public Meeting
Planning Commission Meeting CANCELLED
Wednesday, November 20



Public Meeting
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, December 3

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**



City Event
Sandy Springs Farmers Market
Saturdays
April 20 - November 23



Recreational Program
Friends of Lost Corner
Saturday, November 9



City Event
Veterans Day Tribute
Monday, November 11



Recreational Program

The Atlanta Astronomy Club

Saturday, November 19

### TICKETED EVENTS



City Springs Event
An Evening with Judy Collins
Friday, November 8



City Springs Event
Johnny Mathis: The Voice of
Romance Tour
Saturday, November 9



City Springs Event **Newsboys Saturday, November 23** 



City Springs Event
Vienna Boys Choir: Christmas in
Vienna
Thursday, December 19

## City Council Meeting Recap

Items below were discussed or voted on during the November 5, 2024 City Council Work Work Session or Regular Meeting. All items and full presentations can be found on the Public Meeting website <u>HERE</u>.

### **Street Functional Classification Changes**

Proposed administrative changes to the list of Roadway Functional Classification changes were discussed with Council during the Work Session. The updated list would be provided to the Atlanta Regional Commission and Georgia Department of Transportation. Discussion centered on the need for an update to recognize current roadway conditions with the last review conducted and submitted in 2014. No impacts to either development or right of ways services are foreseen with these proposed changes.



### Perimeter Center Improvement District Bridge Enhancement Proposal

The PCIDs Executive Director, Ann Hanlon, presented an update on the PCIDs vision for bridge enhancements for four bridges within the City of Sandy Springs across GA400, including Mt. Vernon Highway, Hammond Drive, Johnson Ferry Road, and Glenridge Connector.

#### Right of Way Dedication and Stormwater Temporary Construction Easement

A dedication of right of way and easement at 8161 Hewlett Road was accepted by Mayor and Council on the Consent Agenda. Mayor and Council approved the settlement and purchase of right of way at 275 Mt. Vernon Highway. The donation of a temporary construction easement at 5042 High Point Road for a Stormwater Repair Project was accepted by Mayor and Council on the Consent Agenda.

#### Project S2168 Construction Contract Award for Hildebrand Sidewalk

Mayor and Council approved award of the construction contract to construct sidewalk on both sides of Hildebrand Drive near the Georgia Power Company substation.

#### Project S2179, Construction Contract Award for Spalding Drive Sidewalk

Mayor and Council approved award of the construction contract to construct sidewalk on Spalding Drive between Spalding Lake Court and Nesbitt Ferry Road.

#### **Economic Development Incentive Agreement with Asbury Automotive Group**

Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. submitted an application requesting a waiver of building permit fees and waiver of business occupational taxes related to the purchase and renovation of an existing office building in Sandy Springs. This is a relocation of its current national headquarters in Gwinnett County to its new global headquarters at 6655 Peachtree Dunwoody Road.

### Lease Agreement with Fulton County for the Sandy Springs Library Reading Garden

Fulton County agreed to lease the Reading Garden to the City for a term of twenty (20) years. The City will enhance and provide maintenance, care and landscaping services to the property, such as mowing, tree trimming, fertilizing of plants, clearing of leaves/branches and repairing benches (as needed).

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### HAPPENINGS IN SANDY SPRINGS



#### **Happy Tails**

We're not the only heroes. Fire Personnel received station visits from Happy Tails First Responders on Monday, October 28, 2024. The adorable dogs made their rounds to all our stations getting familiar with our firefighters.

### Sandy Springs Youth Leadership 2024 Class at Station 2

Our Fire Department hosted the Sandy Springs Youth Leadership 2024 Class at Station 2 on October 30, 2024. During their visit, students had the opportunity to learn about our station, tools, apparatus, and even trying on our firefighting turnout gear.













**LIFEPAK 35 Monitor/Defibrillator Training**Our team finalizing the training on our new
Stryker LIFEPAK 35 monitor/defibrillator before they are placed in-service on the apparatus.

The LIFEPAK 35 monitor/defibrillator for hospitals and EMS is a device designed to promote confident cardiac care, enable clinical excellence and deliver in demanding environments.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

### SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire units responded to the following reported incidents:

- A gas leak in the 2500 block of Summit Springs Drive. Upon arrival, personnel reported a structure fire in the 1200 block of Summerbrook Drive. Upon arrival at a three-story multi-family structure, personnel observed no visible signs of smoke or fire from the exterior. Personnel found a malfunction in the furnace. Power and gas supply were secured to the furnace. No further hazards were identified.
- A reported outside equipment fire in the 800 block of Glenairy Drive. Upon arrival at a two-story single-family structure, personnel observed no visible signs of smoke or fire from the front exterior. Personnel were advised of a patio heater that had caught fire. The fire was extinguished prior to arrival. Power and gas supply were secured to the heater. No further hazards were identified.
- A reported gas leak in the 400 block of Treelodge Parkway. Upon arrival personnel were advised of an odor of gas inside the residence. The odor was found near the furnace. Ventilation was performed. Atlanta Gas Light was notified.
- A reported gas leak at the intersection of Glenridge Drive and Mount Vernon Highway. Upon arrival, personnel identified a 6' gas main severed by equipment. Mount Vernon Highway was closed in both directions and Atlanta Gas Light was notified. All houses within 300' were evacuated. Atlanta Gas Light handled repairs.
- A reported swift water rescue on the Chattahoochee River. Personnel deployed Boat 52 and initiated their search. Cobb County's swift water team assisted and made contact with the victim. No medical complaints were noted.
- A reported arcing fire in the 800 block of Glenairy Drive. Upon arrival at a three-story single-family structure, personnel observed no visible signs of smoke or fire from the exterior. Personnel observed a burning odor upon entering the residence and found the source coming from the dishwasher. Water and power supply to the dishwasher was secured. No further hazards were identified.
- A reported motor vehicle accident at I-285 Eastbound and Ashford Dunwoody Ramp. Upon arrival, personnel found one vehicle on the side of a steep embankment. The vehicle was safely secured. American Medical Response handled patient care.

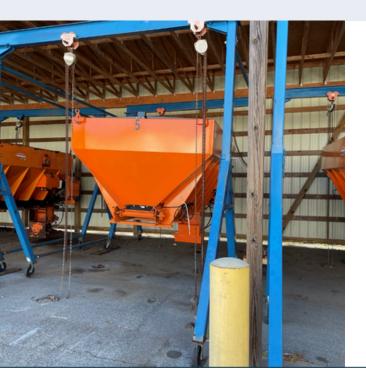
### SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS - POLICE DEPARTMENT

- The VIP and COP units reported 341 total volunteer hours, which included volunteer hours during the current Citizens Police Academy. The COP hours composed of 21 shifts patrolling a total of 1,024 miles. Additionally, the COP units conducted 24 house checks, 227 business checks, issued 20 handicap parking citations, and assisted officers on 15 traffic related incidents.
- The Community Affairs Officer, along with other officers, attended several community engagements throughout the City:
  - Workplace violence and active shooter presentation
  - Woodland Elementary Fall Festival
  - Karate Atlanta Touch-a-Truck engagement
  - Water Walk Extended Stay Fall Festival
  - The Astounding Academy Fall Festival
  - Lake Forrest Elementary School Trunk or Treat
  - Back the Blue meeting at Holy Innocents'
  - Arlington Memorial Park engagement
  - Ofc. Redcay's arrival/return to Sandy Springs Congratulations to Officer Redcay for completing his 1,100 mile solo trek from Sault Ste. Marie, MI (Canadian Border) to Sandy Springs, GA for Zoe International to help fight child trafficking.



## **PUBLIC WORKS**

### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, TSPLOST, AND TRANSPORTATION



# What's happening in Sandy Springs

#### **New Salt and Sand Spreaders**

The City recently purchased two new sand/salt spreaders in preparation for the upcoming winter months. We use these to apply sand and salt during freezing conditions where there are known water leaks and streets that tend to hold water, and treat our priority roadways in the event of winter weather. The new spreaders replace two older spreaders that were at the end of their useful service. The City maintains five sand/salt spreaders.

### Current Projects Throughout the City

### **Medical District Traffic Signal and Safety Upgrades**

Work has recently been completed on the following intersections: Peachtree Dunwoody Road at Hollis Cobb/MARTA, Johnson Ferry Road at Hollis Cobb, Peachtree Dunwoody Road at Northside Dr/St. Joseph's Hospital, Johnson Ferry Road at Old Johnson Ferry Road. This work had been previously identified in the Medical District Traffic Safety Study.

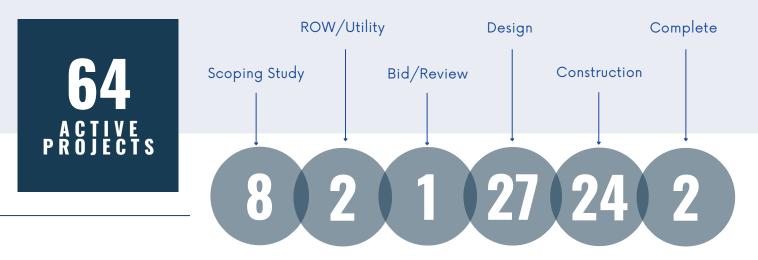




## Safe Roads and Streets for All Safety Action Plan

5 | S 4 | A The City of Sandy Springs is hosting two public meetings for its Safety Action Plan, which focuses on reducing fatal and severe injury crashes on roadways throughout the city. The public will be able to review and provide input on the draft recommendations during both meetings which will cover identical content. The two public information meetings will be held on Thursday, November 21; a virtual meeting from Noon to 1:00 pm and an in-person meeting in the City Hall Studio Theatre from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. For more information, visit: https://www.sandyspringsga.gov/SafeStreets.

## Project Summary



To view a detailed summary of active projects, please visit the City's Inside Sandy Springs Dashboard <u>HERE</u>.

# T2401 Peachtree Dunwoody Road Corridor Study and Transit Oriented Development Plan

The City will conduct a public information on Monday, November 18 from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm in the City Hall Studio Theatre. For more information, visit: <a href="https://www.sandyspringsga.gov/NorthspringsStudy">https://www.sandyspringsga.gov/NorthspringsStudy</a>.

## Stormwater Repairs at 400 Northridge Parkway

Construction crews will install a new concrete outfall pipe with headwall, rebuild eroded roadway embankment and damaged pavement, install type 3 rip- rap stones, and restore all the disturbed areas. This work will take place during the daytime hours of 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday with lane closures and flaggers. Please watch for contractors directing traffic. Driveways will be accessible during the work. Construction will begins this week, weather permitting.

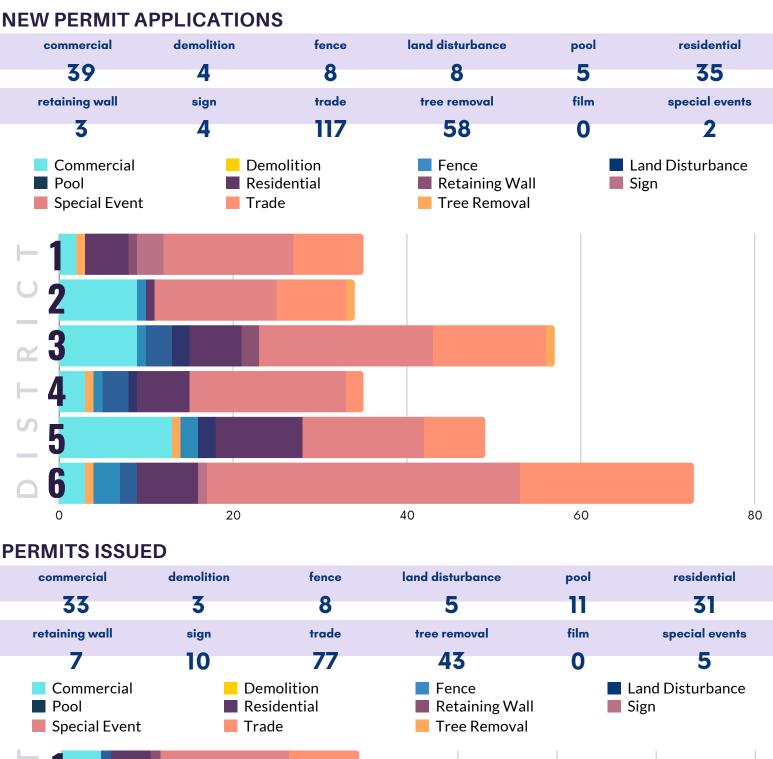




## TS 108 Roswell Road at Dalrymple Road Intersection

Final roadway paving is complete with the intersection now operating with the new signal system.
Punchlist work is underway with handrails pending installation to complete the project.

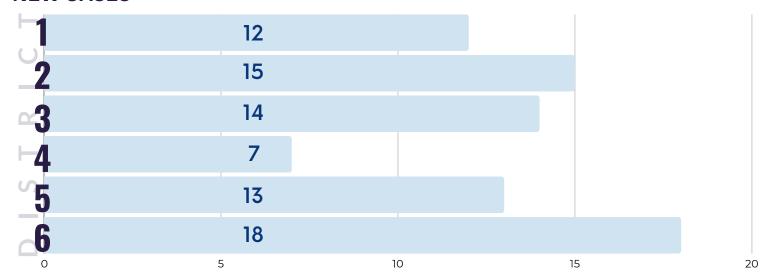
## **PERMITS**





## **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

### **NEW CASES**



### **CODE ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS**

District	Address	Enforcement Effort	Violation	Compliance/ Court Date
1	3100 River Exchange Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
1	3175 River Exchange Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
1	8610 Roberts Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
1	2555 Spalding Dr.	Notice of violation	Property Maintenance	8-Nov
1	9401 Roberts Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
1	501 Northridge Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH)	
2	622 Huntcliff Village Ct.	Notice of violation	Infestation.	18-Oct
2	6925 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Sprinkler irrigation system.	17-Oct
2	8540 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Prohibited sign.	Immediate
2	8350 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
2	700 Summit Place Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
2	8350 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
3	6470 Wright Cir.	Notice of violation	Hazardous tree.	21-Oct
3	6620 Brandon Mill Rd.	Citation	Multiple violations.	11-Nov
3	6111 Boylston Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
3	38 Dunwoody Springs Dr.	Notice of violation	Working without a permit.	29-Oct
4	7070 Glenridge Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	24-Oct
4	7227 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
4	7277 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	
4	7330 Hunters Branch Dr.	Stop work order	Working without a permit	Immediate
5	730 Northland Ct.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection	25-Oct
5	530 Forest Hills Dr.	Notice of violation	Parking.	4-Nov
6	425 Ferry Lndg.	Notice of violation	Trash.	18-Oct
6	121 Osner Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance.	4-Nov
6	2 Bentley Mnr.	Stop work order	Working without a permit.	29-Oct
6	5210 Chemin De Vie	Notice of violation	Working without a permit.	8-Nov
6	425 Ferry Lndg.	Notice of violation	Trash	18-Oct
6	156 Northwood Dr	Notice of violation	Property maintenance	10/23/2024

## **RECREATION AND PARKS**

## Dog Park Improvements

Last spring, the City held multiple meetings requesting input from the community regarding what improvements were desired for the dog park. One of the common complaints was the need to create dry conditions for pet owners, many who expressed complaints their dogs come home muddy after a visit to the dog park. The City completed the first of two phases of work to address erosion and runoff above the dog park, removing debris and vegetation. The next phase will include grading for a drainage channel and storm structure replacement and is planned through the week of November 18 during which the park will be closed. The second phase of work to address the stormwater runoff will commence next week.

## **Springway Trail**

The concrete decking on the Orkin Lake boardwalk is complete. Concrete over the remaining section of trail from the Fulton County lift station to the western end of the Edgewater Apartments spur trail is complete. The single element remaining on the project is the installation of protective railing at elevated areas, bridges, and the boardwalk. Railing work is in progress on the spur trail and on Monterrey parkway, with this work anticipated to extend through the end of the year.

#### Week of November 11:

The railing subcontractor will work on railing on the spur trail and the Monterrey Parkway section behind the Edgewater Apartments clubhouse.





## Upcoming Programs

Please visit the Recreation and Parks registration page to register for upcoming programs and events <u>HERE</u>

Rollin' on the River November 19

<u>Sparkle Village</u> November 29 - January 5

<u>Tai Chi</u> Every Wednesday and Friday Fit4Moms Every Tuesday and Thursday

Young Yogi (age 6-9)
Every Tuesday
Tween Yogi (ages 9-12)
Every Tuesday
Parent and Me Yoga (age 2-6)
Every Saturday

AM Crush Hour Every Tuesday and Thursday

## Park Design Work in Progress

### **Abernathy Greenway South Improvements**

Construction documents for this project are now 85% complete. Staff received a response from the State on previously submitted documentation for the 319(h) grant. Staff are reviewing a proposal from the design team that recommends replacement of a length of sewer pipe that traverses the planned work area.

### Morgan Falls Athletic Complex Phase III Improvements

After the completion of hydrologic modeling, geotechnical work, and the expressed priorities of Sandy Springs Youth Sports, the City's contracted youth program provider for the park, the department has requested a revised scope of work proposal which readdresses key improvement elements in the order of need. The proposal is now being evaluated. Independent of this work, the department is receiving proposals for the conversion of the existing sports lighting on Field # 5.

#### **Old Riverside Park Development**

Construction documents are now complete. Design of the restroom structure is complete and on order. Playground designers are being evaluated. Preferred play elements are being reviewed for use primarily by the 2-5 year old age group.

## Maintenance/Landscaping Projects

- Fall seasonal color has been installed in all planters along Roswell Road and in the pots at Abernathy Greenway with mix-colored pansies. Vibrant hues with a fall time theme will grow to fill the containers, providing delightful color.
- Abernathy Greenway Park fans were replaced with 10 new fans that are much more efficient and are capable of moving air throughout the entire pavilion.



## **Programming Highlights**

Paws and Pastries was a huge success, with 140 people and their furry friends joining for a day filled with fun and community. Dogs walked a synthetic turf for a green runway. The costume contest was a standout, showcasing some incredibly creative pups and some humans dressed to match. It was tough to choose the winners, but the prizes were well-deserved.

Many attendees stopped by the paw print station to create a one of a kind piece of art. The bobbing for balls pool was a blast which dogs jumped in and splashed around, excitedly retrieving their favorite toys. Dogs showed off their agility in the obstacle course as they tackled tunnels, jumps, and weave poles, with spectators cheering and laughing.













# SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

URBAN FOREST

- Final Overlook Park invasive removal and restoration completed.
- The Urban Forest Coordinator, William Park, received the Georgia Tree Council's 2024 Outstanding Urban Arboriculture Grand Award during their Annual Excellence in Urban Forestry Awards Luncheon

### S T O R M W A T E R P R O J E C T S U M M A R Y

19
ACTIVE PROJECTS

7
REQUESTS RECEIVED

## A FULL LIST OF STORMWATER PROJECTS ALONG WITH UPDATES CAN BE FOUND HERE



# PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND SIGNATURE EVENTS

### **UPCOMING SHOWS**

NEWSBOYS - NOVEMBER 23, 2024 · 8:00PM

With a decades-spanning career and a catalog blending different styles and genres, award-winning Newsboys have propelled hits like "We Believe" and "Born Again" up the charts. They've brought their live show to many corners of the world, all while in constant pursuit of reinvention and inspiration, and following their calling.



## ROSWELL DANCE THEATRE PRESENTS THE NUTCRACKER NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 8

Join us for a timeless holiday tradition! Gorgeous costumes, magical scenery, beloved music, and exquisite dancing in this classic Nutcracker will delight guests of all ages. Travel with Clara and her Prince to the Land of Sweets, where they are entertained by enchanting dancers from around the globe.

From November 29 to December 8, Roswell Dance Theatre is thrilled to return to Byers Theatre to present its revered rendition of The Nutcracker. In a classic interpretation beloved by Atlanta-area families, this cherished holiday tradition will once again be directed by local talents Nancy Tolbert Yilmaz and Mary Lynn Taylor.

### www.citysprings.com

### SIGNATURE EVENTS



## SKATE CITY SPRINGS NOVEMBER 20 - JANUARY 20

Whether you glide gracefully or bumble and tumble, the holidays are always more fun on ice! Skate to holiday music, warm up with hot cocoa, and make memories at Skate City Springs! Open November 20 - January 20; admission includes skate rental. Online reservations recommended.

## SPARKLE SANDY SPRINGS DECEMBER 8

 $Sparkle\ Sandy\ Springs\ is\ a\ holiday\ celebration\ with\ twinkling\ lights\ and\ a\ magical\ night time\ parade!$