

INSIDE SANDY SPRINGS



PUBLIC MEETINGS



SANDY SPRINGS
GEORGIA

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Public Meeting
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 18



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Public Meeting
***CANCELLED* Planning Commission Meeting**
Wednesday, February 19



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Public Meeting
Roswell Road North End Boulevard Open House
Wednesday, February 26



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Public Meeting
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, March 4

COMMUNITY EVENTS



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City Springs Event
Artist Gallery - PeQue
Wednesday, February 12



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Recreational Program
Superstar Dance for Teens and Adults with Disabilities
Friday, February 28



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Community Event
Sandy Springs Crafting Buddies
Wednesday, March 5



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Recreational Program
Maintaining & Explaining a Rewilded Yard
Tuesday, February 4

TICKETED EVENTS



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Recreational Program
Paint Like Bob Ross
Saturday, February 8



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City Springs Event
Songs from the Heart with Ryan Davis - Sinatra Style!
Friday, February 14



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City Springs Event
Daddy Live Nation presents Matt Rife: Pop-Up Shows
February 15 and February 22



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Promoted Event
Atlanta Jewish Film Festival 2025
February 19 - March 6

SANDY SPRINGS PUBLIC SAFETY

HAPPENINGS IN SANDY SPRINGS



Community Affairs personnel attended the North Fulton Rotary Club meeting on January 27, 2025, to discuss CPR and AED training initiatives. Several Rotary Club members have volunteered for the Sandy Springs Fire Department's citywide CPR certification class on March 22, 2025.

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire units responded to the following reported incidents:

- A reported motor vehicle accident in the 4600 block of Roswell Road. Upon arrival, personnel found a vehicle overturned on its side at the bottom of a steep hill with an occupant trapped inside. Personnel extricated the patient, secured them on a backboard, and carried them up the hill to the ambulance stretcher. AMR handled patient care.
- A reported motor vehicle accident at GA-400 southbound and MARTA off ramp. Personnel arrived on the scene of a two-vehicle collision with two victims trapped inside one of the vehicles. Personnel extricated both patients. AMR handled patient care.
- A reported structure fire in the 200 block of Northwood Drive. Upon arrival, personnel observed light smoke coming from the exterior of a building and a small fire in a crawl space. Firefighters found active charring on the flooring and walls inside the structure. The ceiling and paneling were removed from adjacent units but found no fire extension into the attic space. The fire was extinguished, and overhaul operations were performed. A total of four units were affected. The Fire Marshal's Office was contacted to conduct an investigation.
- A reported gas leak in the 5800 block of Brookgreen Road. Upon arrival, personnel were advised of an odor of gas in the kitchen. Personnel found a loose gas line going into the oven. The gas was secured to the oven.
- A reported gas leak in at Ball Mill Place. Upon arrival, personnel were advised of an odor of natural gas inside the residence. Personnel confirmed a slight odor and found the fireplace gas valve slightly opened in the on position. The gas valve was secured, and ventilation were performed.
- A reported gas leak at 100 Barrington Hills Drive. Upon arrival, personnel were advised of an odor of natural gas upon exiting the residence. Personnel found a faulty regulator valve on the gas main at the rear breezeway. The gas line was secured. Atlanta Gas Light was notified.

COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE CITY

- SSPD officers observed and evaluated a lockdown drill at The Mount Vernon School.
- SSPD officers attended two Daddy Daughter Dances at City Springs.
- Officer Greene attended a "Back the Blue" Q&A panel at Holy Innocents' Episcopal School.
- Officer Greene dropped off donated items at Solidarity Sandy Springs.

VOLUNTEER UNIT - POLICE DEPARTMENT

- The VIP and COP units reported 261 total volunteer hours. The COP hours included 15 patrol shifts patrolling a total of 839 miles. Additionally, the COP units conducted 20 house checks, 165 business checks, issued 12 handicap parking citations, handled 12 private property motor vehicle accidents, and assisted officers on 7 traffic related incidents.

T7249 GLENRIDGE DRIVE AT JOHNSON FERRY ROAD/GLENAIRY DRIVE

The City hosted a Public Information Open House regarding proposed improvements at the intersection of Johnson Ferry Road, Glenridge Drive, and Glenairry Drive on Thursday, February 6, 2025.

The existing intersection is a signal-controlled skewed intersection. The angle of the intersection for right turning vehicles from eastbound Johnson Ferry Road to southbound Glenridge Drive is 150 degrees, and right turning vehicles often roll through the intersection. Several rear-end crashes have occurred related to uncertainty of whether or not the eastbound Johnson Ferry Road right turning vehicle will stop. The current striping for crosswalks does not meet accessible standards. Bicycle lanes are present on the north leg of the intersection but are absent for all other approaches. The intersection experiences approximately 10 crashes annually with 75 percent rear end crashes and 12 percent angle crashes. Project alternatives presented in the Open House:

Improved Traffic Signal Alternative

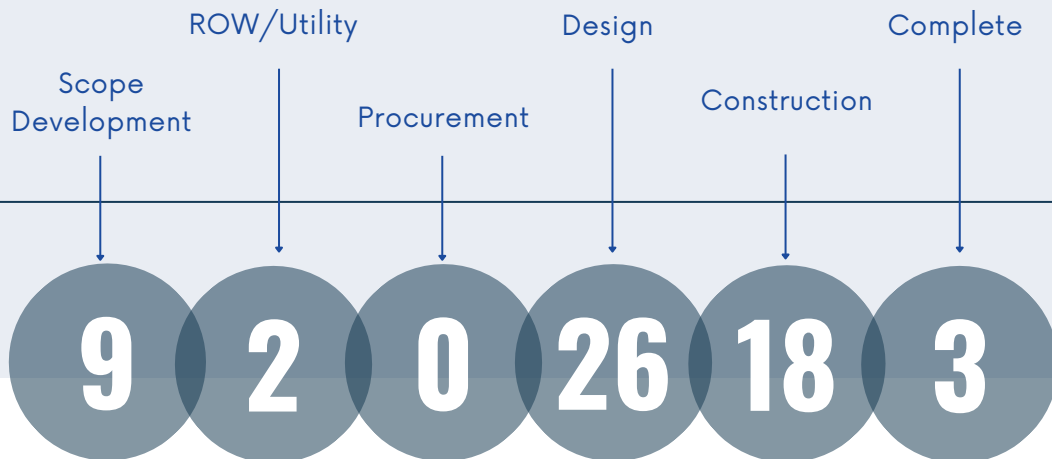
- Realigns the intersection and improves alignment of all approaches
- Improves signal operation (removes split phasing for east and west approaches)
- Decreases vehicle delay at the intersection
- Removes the painted islands and tightens the Johnson Ferry Road right turn radius
- Right of way impacts are primarily on the NE corner

Roundabout Alternative

- Single-lane roundabout
- Decreases vehicle delay at the intersection
- Provides traffic calming/speed reduction benefit
- Improves alignment of all approaches
- Expected crash reduction
- Right of way impacts in the NE and SW corners and potential impacts to tree(s) in the Sandy Springs Village Community property on the NW corner

Project Summary

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ACTIVE
PROJECTS



Inside Sandy Springs - Capital Projects Dashboard

An interactive map of the City's Capital Projects can be found on the [Inside Sandy Springs Capital Projects Dashboard](#).

City Council Meeting Recap

Items below were discussed or voted on during the February 4, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting. All items and full presentations can be found on the Public Meeting website [HERE](#).

Council Work Session Sidewalk Program Update

An update to the Capital Sidewalk Program was presented to include the draft ranking of sidewalk candidate segments. You can view the update [at this link](#).

Approval of Purchase and Sale Agreement for Right of Way

Council approved the purchase of right of way at 651 Hammond Drive in support of the Hammond Drive Improvements Project S2193.

Acceptance of the Dedication of an Easement for the Construction and Maintenance of Slopes

Council accepted the dedication of an easement at 14 Mt. Paran Road in support of the Lake Forrest Sidewalk Phase 1, Project S2185.

Approval of a Construction Engineering and Inspection Service Contract to AtkinsRealis

Council approved the award of a Construction Engineering and Inspection contract to AtkinsRealis in support of the Path 400 construction project currently scheduled to take place over the next three years.

Approval of the North Springs MARTA LCI Study

Council approved the North Springs MARTA LCI Study, which includes plan for the Peachtree Dunwoody Road Corridor and provides guidance for potential future development on MARTA owned property. Additional information about the plan is available [at this link](#).

Approval of a Contract with the Georgia Environmental Protection Division of the Department of Natural Resources for the FY23 Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Implementation Grant

Council approved the award of a 319(h) Grant for improvements along the Abernathy South Greenway. An overview of the project is available [at this link](#).



Final Design Plan for Old Riverside Park

Staff provided an update on the final design plans for Old Riverside Park. The plans are nearing completion and will be submitted for permitting to all required agencies and then placed out to bid for construction, once permits are approved.

2025 Mayor and City Council Retreat

Day One - February 5, 2025

2025 Priorities

The City Manager and Senior Leadership Team provided an update on 2024 accomplishments and priorities for the upcoming year.

INAUGURAL ECO-STEWARDS CLASS HIGHLIGHTS

- 12 PEOPLE TRAINED AS ECO-STEWARDS
- 5 ACRES OF URBAN FOREST WERE RESTORED
- 3 PHASES OF MANAGEMENT AT BLUE PEARL COMPLETED
- 1 ACRE OF INVASIVE PLANT REMOVED
- 100 VOLUNTEERS PARTICIPATED
- 100 TREES PLANTED

STORMWATER

- 13 STORMWATER PROJECTS COMPLETED
- 820 UTILITY RELATED INCIDENTS
- 17,251 LINEAR FEET OF STORMWATER PIPES INSPECTED
- 187 WATER LINE LEAKS REPAIRED BY ATLANTA
- 226 STORMWATER CITIZEN INQUIRIES
- 3,750 GABRII TICKETS RECEIVED

SANDY SPRINGS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

611 EVENTS HELD

- 294 RENTAL EVENTS
- 229 INTERNAL CITY EVENTS
- 78 SIGNATURE EVENTS
- 14 SELF-PRESENTED EVENTS

164,948 ATTENDEES

SANDY SPRINGS RECREATION AND PARKS PROGRAMMING

- 10,602 ATHLETES ENROLLED IN YOUTH/ATHLETICS AND CONTRACTED YOUTH SPORTS
- 64,697 ATHLETES ENROLLED IN ADULT ATHLETIC PROGRAMS
- 4 TENNIS COURTS WERE CONVERTED TO INDOOR TENNIS COURTS
- 1169 CLASS REGISTRATIONS (56% INCREASE)
- 409 CAMP REGISTRATIONS (60% INCREASE)
- 110 CLASSES OFFERED THIS YEAR

PROGRAM/ EVENT	2023	2024	DIFFERENCE
Camp Sandy Springs	465	697	50% increase
Back to School Bash	1,200	1,500	25% increase
Fall Fun For All	139	180	29% increase
Blue Stone SK-9	54	77	43% increase
Mother Son Dance	95	202	113% increase
National Kids to Parks Day	450	600	33% increase
Friends of Lost Corner Events	390	435	12% increase
Optimist Kids in the Parks Day	80	150	88% increase
Paws and Pastries	120	140	17% increase
The Astronomy Club	117	172	47% increase
Snow Day Movie Matinee	62	80	29% increase

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

- 2 IN PLANNING
- 22 IN DESIGN
- 14 UNDER CONSTRUCTION
- 14 COMPLETED

- 20 MILES OF ROADS RESURFACED
- 1,625 SIDEWALK TRIP HAZARDS REPAIRED
- 27 MILES OF UTILITY INSTALLATIONS
- 353 HAZARDOUS TREES REMOVED
- 331 STREET LIGHTS REPAIRED
- 1,473 POTHOLES REPAIRED
- 13 TRAFFIC CAMERAS UPGRADED OR INSTALLED

- 22 EMPLOYERS
- 320 JOB SEEKERS
- 15% INCREASE IN ATTENDANCE
- 71% EMPLOYERS CONSIDERED OR DID EXTEND AN OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT
- 100% OF EMPLOYERS MET QUALIFIED JOB SEEKERS

Demographic and Housing Trends

Mike Alexander, Atlanta Regional Commission Chief Operating Officer, presented demographic and housing trends in the metro Atlanta area.

Sandy Springs Council Retreat 2025
Regional Growth Trends and Changing Demographics
Focus on the City of Sandy Springs

The Atlanta Regional Commission

Vision
ONE great REGION

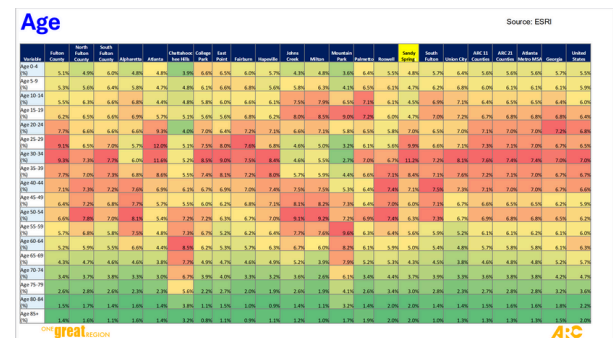
Mission
Foster thriving communities for all within the Atlanta region through collaborative, data-informed planning and investments.

Values
Excellence | Integrity | Equity

Goals

- Healthy, safe, livable communities in the Atlanta Metro area.
- Strategic investments in people, infrastructure, mobility, and preserving natural resources.
- Regional services delivered with operational excellence and efficiency.
- Diverse stakeholders engage and take a regional approach to solve local issues.
- A competitive economy that is inclusive, innovative, and resilient.

Mike Alexander, COO
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Atlanta Regional Commission



Economic Development

Chris Burnett, Sandy Springs Economic Development Director, facilitated a panel discussion with experts from the development and real estate finance community, and presented an update on economic development trends and real estate development within the City.

Design Guidelines

Council provided feedback on structure for the Design Guidelines and completed a visual preference activity.

RECREATION AND PARKS

Daddy Daughter Dance 2025



This year, staff expanded the 15th annual Daddy Daughter Dance to two nights—January 25 and January 31, 2025—giving more families the chance to take part in the special tradition. Both nights sold out. The event took place at City Springs, with 428 guests attending for evenings filled with dancing, laughter, and lasting memories. Staff received so much positive feedback from both events, including dads expressing how much fun they had and how they would remember the evening for the rest of their lives!



Maintenance Projects Throughout the City

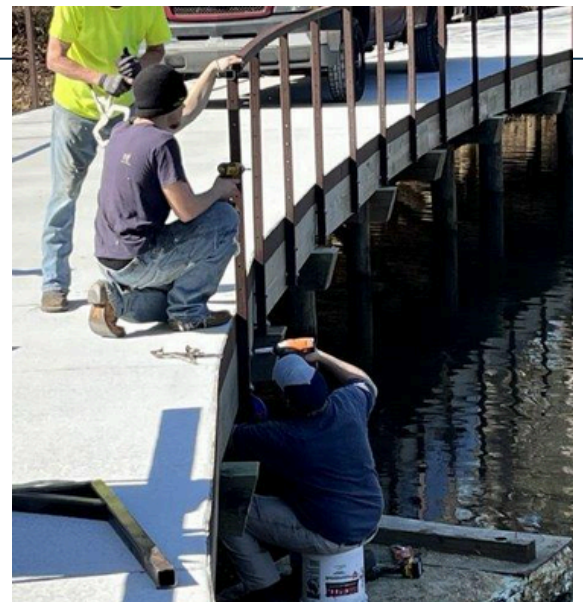
- New electric meter added for Crooked Creek Park that will eventually power an automatic gate and pole camera.
- Ridgeview Park underground water leak at water fountain had to be hand excavated and repaired for a broken water pipe. A new shutoff and outside spicket were added. It was tested well for operation and no leaks.

SPRINGWAY TRAIL

To date, 4,550 linear feet of railing on the Orkin Lake boardwalk is installed. Erosion control materials have been removed in areas where soil stabilization is complete.

Work plan for the weeks of February 10 and 17

Continue installation of boardwalk rail and safety wire and place signage in those areas previously inaccessible due to materials storage.



Upcoming Programs and Events

- Superstar Dance for Teens and Adults with Disabilities as featured in People Magazine will be held Friday, February 28 at City Springs from 6pm–8pm.
- Tai Chi classes are offered every Wednesday and Friday morning at 10am.
- Sandy Springs Crafting Buddies – March 5, 2025 – Bring your current work in progress project, or materials to start a new project and come hang with us! Please feel free to bring any kind of craft (knitting, embroidery, cross stitching, drawing, painting, scrapbooking etc) and spend time working with other creatives!
- Kids' Yogaland hosts Young Yogi (age 6–9) on the City Green every Tuesday at 4:30 pm, Tween Yogi (ages 9–12) on the City Green every Tuesday at 5:30 pm, and Parent and Me Yoga (age 2–6) every Saturday at Morgan Falls Overlook Park at 10 am.
- Adult volleyball Open Gym and the co-ed league starting on Monday, January 27th.

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

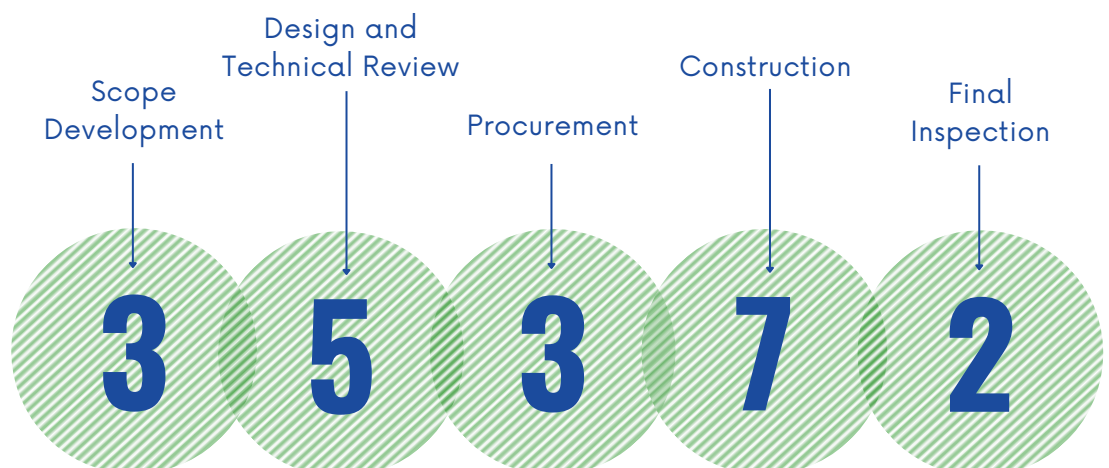
- Work began at the Mayor's interchange. City contractors, planted over 50 trees on the site, including a combination of sycamores, tulip poplars, red maples, hawthorns, and a capstone ginkgo to commemorate the lasting legacy of Mayor Eva Galambos.
- Planting for screening and beautification was completed at the Sandy Springs Fleet Center. 20+ trees were planted – a combination of thuja green giant and red maples. Prior unsuccessful plantings were removed and replaced with a combination of hawthorns and oaks.
- A design for the City's new reading garden at the public library has been created by staff and will be implemented after the Public Works path project is completed.

STORMWATER PROJECT SUMMARY

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



PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND SIGNATURE EVENTS

BILLY CRYSTAL'S UNCLE MILT

Our friends at Neranenah presented Billy Crystal's Uncle Milt honoring the legacy of Milt Gabler, founder of Commodore Records, and his impact on pop music and jazz! This Studio Theatre event featured Atlanta-based musicians, including vocalist Karla Harris, all led by renowned pianist Joe Alterman and his "little big band".

What made this presentation so remarkable was the inclusion of a virtual conversation with Billy Crystal, sharing personal stories and insights about his uncle, Milt Gabler. This event was a powerful celebration of both the music and the man who helped bring so many of the world's greatest musicians into the spotlight with a mix of history, heart, and live music, all underscored by Billy Crystal's personal connection to the Commodore Records story.



UPCOMING SHOW

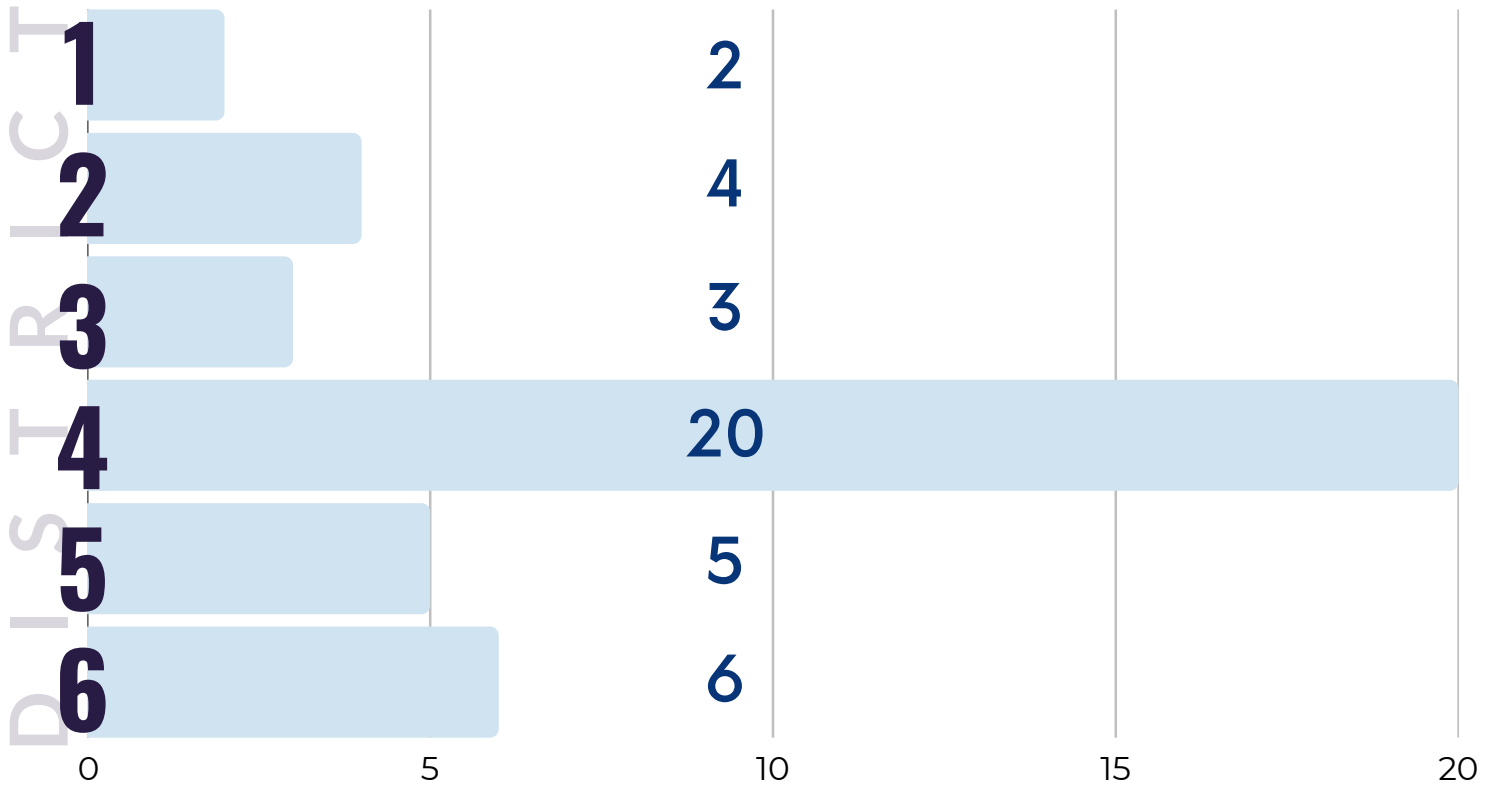
Crooner Ryan Davis brings his big band The Chairmen of Swing Orchestra to Byers Theatre for a swingin' Valentine's Day treat! Hear romantic big-band classics like "Fly Me to the Moon," "The Way You Look Tonight," "You Make Me Feel So Young," and "Get Me to the Church on Time."

Ryan Davis grew up as part of a professional musical family. His exceptional talent made him an instant success as the lead vocalist for the family's musical projects, where he also learned arranging, engineering, and recording skills. Whether performing with a 20-piece big band or in smaller combos, he continues to achieve critical and popular success with his performances.

The gourmet pre-show dinner is by our Executive Chef, Karl Elliot, and includes tempting choices of appetizers and entrees, along with a decadent dark chocolate dessert and wine or champagne. Place your dinner order separately [at this link](#).

CODE ENFORCEMENT

NEW CASES



CODE ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS

District	Address	Enforcement Effort	Violation	Compliance/ Court Date
1	8800 Dunwoody Place	MRH Re-Inspection	The Bowie - Buildings: 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, Pool, Mailbox, Leasing Office.	1/27/2025
1	7754 Spalding Drive	Citation	Operating a business without obtaining a Business License	2/24/2025
2	7015 Brandon Mill Road	Notice Of Violation	Fence And Trees Removal Without A Permit	2/3/2025
2	935 Hightower Trail	Stop Work Order	Electrical, Interior Modeling And Fence/Deck Around The Pool Area	2/3/2025
3	12 Dunwoody Springs	Citation	No Permit Acquired	2/24/2025
4	6873 Peachtree Dunwoody	MRH Re-Inspection	Aventura Dunwoody - Buildings: 6873/Leasing Office/Laundry, Pool, 6875, 6881.	1/27/2025
4	7901 Roswell Road	MRH Re-Inspection	Dunwoody Pointe - Property Is Partially In Compliance.	1/27/2025
4	7200 Peachtree Dunwoody Road	MRH Re-Inspection	Hawthorne Gates - Property is not in compliance.	1/27/2025
4	7150 Peachtree Dunwoody	MRH Re-Inspection	Randolph Perimeter By Arium - Property Is Not In Compliance.	1/27/2025
4	6309 Roswell Rd	Notice Of Violation	Sewage Leak	2/7/2025
5	5559 Glenridge Drive	Notice Of Violation	Noise Complaint	Immediate Compliance
6	415 Cameron Valley Court	Notice Of Violation	Trash	1/28/2025

Additional information, including permit status can be found on the City's Inside Sandy Springs dashboard [HERE](#)