January 9 - January 22, 2025

INSIDE SANDY SPRINGS



PUBLIC MEETINGS



Public Meeting City Council Special Called Meeting Monday, February 3 SANDY SPRINGS

VIEW EVENT

Public Meeting City Council Meeting Tuesday, February 4

COMMUNITY EVENTS



Public Meeting City Council Retreat (Day 1) Wednesday, February 5



Public Meeting Board of Appeals Wednesday, February 5



City Event 2023 National Electrical Code Tuesday, January 28



City Event Sandy Springs Photography Club Tuesday, February 4



Community Event Sandy Springs Crafting Buddies Wednesday, February 5



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

TICKETED EVENTS



Recreational Program Daddy Daughter Dance Saturday, January 25



City Springs Event Neranenah Presents: Billy Crystal's Uncle Milt Sunday, January 26



Recreational Program Daddy Daughter Dance Friday, January 31



Recreational Program Paint Like Bob Ross Saturday, February 8

SANDY SPRINGS PUBLIC SAFETY

HAPPENINGS IN SANDY SPRINGS



The Sandy Springs Fire Department launched its <u>Virtual Community Risk</u> <u>Reduction (CRR) home safety survey</u>. This initiative will help us identify home safety concerns and understand fire risks in the community while educating residents on how to reduce them.

By participating, you not only contribute to a safer community but also get a chance to win a backpack filled with fire prevention items and Sandy Springs Fire swag. One lucky winner will be announced each month—don't miss your chance!

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire units responded to the following reported incidents:

- A reported odor of smoke in the 8600 block of Roberts Drive. Personnel arrived at a two-story multi-family structure with no visible signs of smoke or fire from the exterior. Upon entering the unit, personnel found a light haze of smoke caused by an overheated HVAC motor. Power to the unit was secured, and ventilation was performed. No further hazards were identified.
- A reported structure fire in the 8400 block of Roswell Road. Personnel arrived at a multi-family structure with no visible signs of smoke or fire showing from the exterior. Upon entering the unit, personnel found smoke coming from an oven fire that was extinguished prior to arrival. Ventilation was performed. The Fire Marshal's Office was contacted for further investigation.
- A reported gas leak in the 7000 block of Brandon Mill Road. Upon arrival, personnel were advised by residents of an odor of gas possibly coming from the basement. Upon inspection, the odor was found to be caused by a plastic ladle melting on the dishwasher's heating element. No additional hazards were found.
- A reported motor vehicle accident in the 7500 block of Roswell Road. Upon arrival, personnel found two vehicles with moderate damage. SSPD was on scene. There were no reported injuries or additional hazards found.

COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE CITY

- Community Engagement Officers attended an event at the Cumberland Academy of Georgia.
- Officers delivered toys, which were collected during the 2024 toy drive, to Children's Healthcare of Atlanta.
- SSPD officers conducted a Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) assessment at Mercedes-Benz USA headquarters.

VOLUNTEER UNIT - POLICE DEPARTMENT

• The VIP and COP units reported 260 total volunteer hours. The COP hours composed of 17 patrol shifts patrolling a total of 874 miles. Additionally, the COP units conducted 14 house checks, 140 business checks, issued 10 handicap parking citations, handled 11 private property motor vehicle accidents, and assisted officers on 25 traffic related incidents.

We are happy to announce that SSPD is accepting applications for our **Citizen's Police Academy** #040 that will begin on Tuesday, February 11th, 2025. Class will be held from 6pm-9pm at the Sandy Springs Police Department.

The Sandy Springs Citizens Police Academy allows residents to participate in an up-close study of police operations in Sandy Springs. The 9-week course is designed to give participants the opportunity to get to know the people, understand the training, and offer insights and familiarity to the professionals who hit the streets and protect us every day in Sandy Springs.



PUBLIC WORKS Capital Improvement Projects, TSPLOST, and Transportation

What's happening in Sandy Springs

Winter Weather Operations

City staff and our dedicated Public Works contract partners continue to respond to severe winter weather. Crews have been treating Sandy Springs priority roadways since Monday morning in advance of Tuesday's winter storm and sustained sub-freezing temperatures. Crews have been operating around the clock to ensure the safety of our roadways. This comes a week after our Winter Storm Cora response which required sustained 24 hours per day operations to maintain the safety of our roadways in response to winter weather accumulations and freezing temperatures. Staff and supporting contract crews responded to downed trees, power outages and related traffic signal outages due to icing associated with Winter Storm Cora.

Current Projects Throughout the City

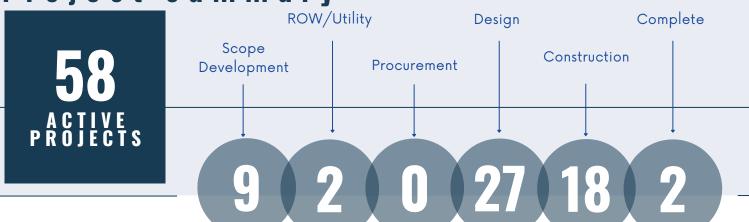


Project TS-111 Spalding at Pitts Intersection Improvements

Weather permitting, final traffic signal installation and roadway striping are being completed to finish the project.

<u>Project</u> Summary

Riverhill



Inside Sandy Springs - Capital Projects Dashboard

An interactive map of the City's Capital Projects can be found on the Inside Sandy Springs <u>Capital Projects Dashboard</u>.

City Council Meeting Recap

Items below were discussed or voted on during the January 21, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting. All items and full presentations can be found on the Public Meeting website <u>HERE.</u>

Agenda Items for the January 21, 2025, Work Session Have Been Rescheduled for the February 4, 2025, City Council Work Session.

Permanent Drainage Easement Donation Acceptance

Council accepted the donation of a Permanent Drainage Easement at 4995 Powers Ferry Road in support of Project S2186, Mt. Paran and Powers Ferry Sidewalk Improvements.

Conditional Use Permit U-24-3 - Mount Vernon School - 510 Mount Vernon Highway

Council denied a Request for a Conditional Use Permit to Amend the Conditions of Use Permit U17-0001 to Allow Illumination of the Existing Athletic Field.

Appointing Members to the Sandy Springs Board of Appeals

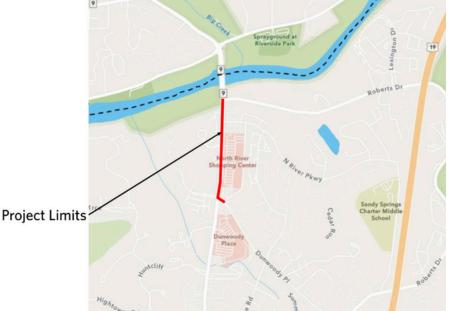
Council approved a resolution to reappoint Sherri Allen and Nathan Kongthum to the Board of Appeals.

Bylaws of the North Fulton Emergency Medical Response Oversight Committee (EMROC)

Council approved a resolution to authorize the adoption of the bylaws of the North Fulton Emergency Medical Response Oversight Committee (EMROC) in conjunction with the Cities of Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton, and Roswell.

Awarded Contract to White Oak Landscape Company, Inc

Mayor and Council approved a contract award to White Oak Landscape Company, Inc for landscaping services for the Recreation and Parks Department, including landscaping services for park properties and landscaping services for former residential lots owned by the City that are located in floodways.



Approval of a 2025 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant Application

Council approved an application to the United States Department of Transportation for a 2025 Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant to support estimated construction costs for the Roswell Road North End Boulevard Project. The requested federal grant amount is \$9,120,000 with a required local match of \$2,280.000.

RECREATION AND PARKS PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

- <u>Daddy Daughter Dance</u> on Saturday, January 25 and Friday, January 31 from 6pm-8pm at City Springs.
- <u>Superstar Dance</u> for Teens and Adults with Disabilities, 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.
- Fit4Moms meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 am offering prenatal and postnatal workouts.
- Kids' Yogaland hosts <u>Young Yogi</u> (age 6-9) on the City Green every Tuesday at 4:30 pm, <u>Tween Yogi</u> (ages 9-12) on the City Green every Tuesday at 5:30 pm, and <u>Parent and Me Yoga</u> (age 2-6) every Saturday at Morgan Falls Overlook Park at 10 am.
- Adult Volleyball Open Gym and the co-ed league will begin on Monday, January 27th.



Projects Throughout the City

Crooked Creek Park Improvements

The National Park Service reviewed a completed 250' length of boardwalk on the northern section of the trail and gave construction approval. They will consider a minor reroute of an area in the northern section to get hikers out of a regularly submerged area, which will negate the need for a second length of boardwalk.

SPRINGWAY TRAIL

As of January 21, 3,775 linear feet of railing on the Orkin Lake boardwalk is installed. This represents 99% of the south side of the boardwalk leaving 2,347 linear feet remaining on the north side. A security gate at the Fulton lift station is now installed.

Work plan for the weeks of January 27 and February 3rd Continue installation of boardwalk rail.



Hammond Park Master Planning

City staff met with the consulting team to kick off the project and the Recreation and Parks staff met with the team to offer suggestions and thoughts on programming, space, and facility needs for the Park. This is first in a series of steps to understand public needs and desires for improvements to Hammond Park. Opportunities for public feedback will be announced in the future.

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND Environmental stewardship

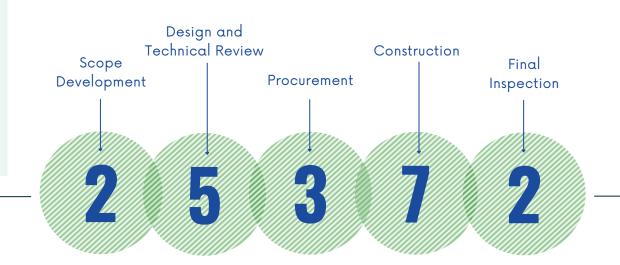
The past two weeks saw significant progress in enhancing Sandy Springs' urban forest through targeted tree planting and maintenance initiatives. These projects address environmental challenges, improve biodiversity, and enhance community spaces. Planting locations included: Morgan Falls Athletic Center, Abernathy Road Median, Ridgeview Park, Windsor Meadows Park, and the North Abernathy Greenway Park.



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R E Q U E S T S R E C E I V E D A FULL LIST OF STORMWATER PROJECTS ALONG WITH UPDATES CAN BE FOUND HERE:



PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND SIGNATURE EVENTS

GEORGIA PUBLIC BROADCASTING

Our partnership with Georgia Public Broadcasting flourished with the PBS Kids Story Time event in the Studio Lobby. This free monthly event, designed for the local community, brought together 110 parents and children for an engaging morning of storytelling and crafts. A collaboration between the Sandy Springs Performing Art Center and GPB, this initiative intends to inspire creativity and a love for learning while strengthening our connection with families in the area.







Our latest popup member event was truly unforgettable. In partnership with Georgia Crown, the Performing Arts Center hosted "Winter Warmer," a wine and spirit tasting experience for members. Guests enjoyed fine Chilean wines curated by a vintner expert, perfectly paired with gourmet samplings created by our Executive Chef, Chef Karl. Chef Karl's expertly crafted pairings elevated the tasting experience. Adding to the exclusivity, samples of a rare bottle of Michter's 10-Year Rye were available for purchase at the bar and now available while it lasts at future member event bars. Don't miss out on our next members-only popup event, "The Chef's Dinner." Become a member today and join the fun!

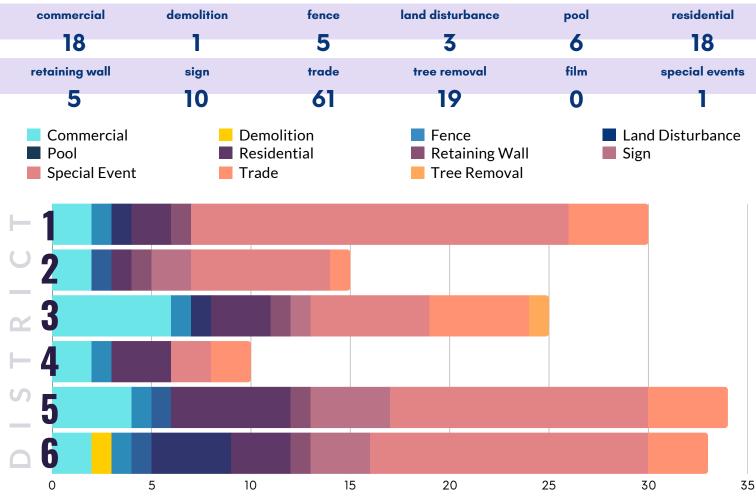
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ART AND FILM FESTIVAL

MLK: Life & Legacy was held in the Sandy Springs Performing Arts Center on Monday, January 20. Families learned about Dr. King and the history of civil rights through children's activity stations and a film screening of the Emmy Award-nominated film, Our Friend, Martin. Mayor Paul provided opening remarks, and approximately 700 people attended the event.

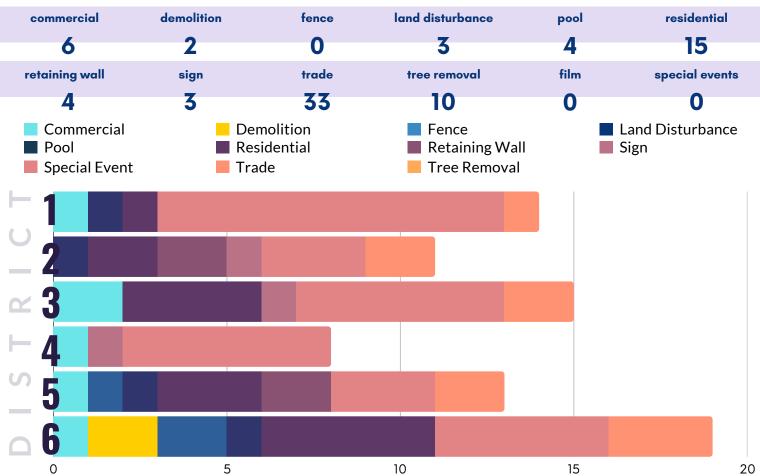


PERMITS

NEW PERMIT APPLICATIONS



PERMITS ISSUED



CODE ENFORCEMENT

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District	Address	Enforcement Effort	Violation	Compliance/ Court Date
1	8064 Kenstone Court	Citation	Operating an Airbnb without obtaining a business license.	2/24/2025
1	8505 Roswell Road	Citation	Zoning - not properly screening	2/24/2025
3	6052 Boylston Drive	Notice of Violation	Improper parking	1/9/2025
5	725 Starlight Lane	Stop Work Order	Interior construction	1/9/2025
3	275 Brook Drive	Stop Work Order	Trailer being parked on street	1/8/2025
4	6851 Roswell Road	Stop Work Order	Gas line work	1/8/2025
3	6830 Heathfield Drive	Stop Work Order	Constructing fireplace and land movement	1/9/2025
3	6500 Aria Blvd	MRH Re-inspections		In compliance
3	6400 Bluestone Road (North)	MRH Re-inspections	Missing insect screens, damaged walls and protective treatment in the hallways and trash rooms, damage floor covering on the stairwell are not in compliance.	2/24/2025
4	550 Abernathy Blvd	MRH Re-inspections	Mailbox, Pool, Leasing Office. Significant progress was made.	2/24/2025
6	4600 Roswell Road	MRH Re-inspections	All recorded violations are in compliance.	2/24/2025
3	300 Carpenter Drive	MRH Re-inspections	All recorded violations are in compliance.	2/24/2025
1	8069 Kenstone	Citation	Operating an Airbnb with obtaining a business license.	2/24/2025
2	8600 Roswell Road	Citation	Perimeter screening	2/24/2025
1	8155 Roswell Road	Citation	Perimeter screening	2/24/2025
2	8290 Roswell Road	Citation	Perimeter screening	2/24/2025
4	6925 Roswell Road	Notice of Violation	Air quality test to completed for possible mold in unit.	2/24/2025
4	7475 Roswell Road	Citation	Perimeter screening and dumpster violation.	2/24/2025
4	7505 Roswell Road	Citation	Perimeter screening, foundation plantings and screen ground mounted for A/C.	2/24/2025
2	7700 Roswell Road	Citation	Gaps in perimeter screening	2/24/2025
1	8135 Roswell Road	Citation	Dumpster screening and missing perimeter screening	2/24/2025
6	4615 Mystic Drive	Notice of Violation	Trash and debris	2/24/2025
5	550 High Point Lane	Citation	Short term rental	2/24/2025
5	789 Hammond Drive	Notice of Violation	Leak in unit	1/25/2025
5	789 Hammond Drive	Notice of Violation	Growth in unit	1/25/2025
6	600 Colebrook Court	Citation	Short term rental	2/24/2025
6	5285 Mt. Vernon	Citation	Short term rental	2/24/2025
3	6360 Roswell Road	Citation	Property maintenance	2/24/2025
4	6385 Roswell Road	Citation	Property maintenance	2/24/2025
4	6585 Roswell Road	Citation	Property maintenance	2/24/2025
6	4600 Roswell Road	Citation	Doors and electrical equipment installation.	2/24/2025

Additional information, including permit status can be found on the City's Inside Sandy Springs dashboard <u>HERE</u>