March 6 - March 19, 2025

INSIDE SANDY SPRINGS



PUBLIC MEETINGS



VIEW EVENT

Public Meeting Hospitality Board Meeting Thursday, March 27



<u>VIEW EVENT</u>

Public Meeting City Council Meeting Tuesday, April 1



Public Meeting ChatComm Technical Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday. April 2



Public Meeting Board of Appeals Meeting Wednesday, April 2

COMMUNITY EVENTS

CKETED EVENTS



Recreational Program Special Populations Tennis Program, Inc. March 8 - April 26



Community Event Made in the Shade! Going Native Tuesday, March 25



City Springs Event Astronomy Club - March Stargazing Event Friday, March 28



Community Program Sandy Springs Crafting Buddies Wednesday, April 2



City Event Create a Lantern Puppet March 29 - 30



<u>VIEW EVENT</u>

Recreational Program Hoops at Hammond 3v3 Basketball Tournament Saturday, April 5



City Springs Event Graham Nash: More Evenings of Songs and Stories Sunday, April 6



City Springs Event ASO: The Music of John Williams Saturday, June 14

SANDY SPRINGS PUBLIC SAFETY



Collaboration in action! The Sandy Springs Fire Marshal's Office teamed up with GIS to discuss enhancing commercial property compliance tracking—boosting efficiency and safety across the city.



Sandy Springs Community Affairs and Fire Corps members joined the Sandy Springs Education Force STEAM Showcase at North Springs High School on March 5, 2025 – sparking curiosity and innovation in our future leaders.

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire units responded to the following reported incidents:

- A reported structure fire in the 7700 block of Roswell Road. Personnel arrived at a three-story multi-family structure with no signs of smoke or fire showing from the exterior. Upon investigation, an occupant fell asleep with a lit cigarette, resulting in burn injuries. There was no structural or content damage.
- A reported gas leak in the 6200 block of Roswell Road. Upon arrival, personnel were advised of a gas leak caused by a delivery truck backing into shopping carts, which struck a natural gas line. Personnel isolated the meter and secured. Atlanta Gas was notified.

COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE CITY

- SSPD officers attended a Telford Place neighborhood HOA meeting.
- SSPD officers attended and evaluated a lockdown drill at The Epstein School.
- SSPD officers attended a community engagement event at Home Depot.

VOLUNTEER UNIT - POLICE DEPARTMENT

• The VIP and COP units reported 309 total volunteer hours. The COP hours included 15 patrol shifts patrolling a total of 708 miles. Additionally, the COP units conducted 18 house checks, 125 business checks, issued 8 handicap parking citations, handled 5 private property motor vehicle accidents, and assisted officers on 11 traffic related incidents.

PUBLIC WORKS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, TSPLOST, AND TRANSPORTATION

What's happening in Sandy Springs

SR 400 Multi-Use Path Project T0060/S2121

Construction has begun on the much awaited project to construct the sidepath in Georgia 400 right of way connecting to the overall Path 400 trail system. Initial clearing and construction layout activities are now underway in the portion of the project south of Windsor Parkway.

Mt Vernon Highway Corridor Improvements Project TS-192

Work to perform the last major water line relocation was completed overnight on March 11. Retaining wall construction is in progress at the intersection of Mt. Vernon Highway and Glenridge Drive and across from the Mt Vernon Presbyterian Upper School campus entry. Storm drainage and curb and gutter construction are continuing along the corridor, along with gas line relocations.



Current Projects Throughout the City



Johnson Ferry Road /Mt. Vernon Highway/Roswell Road Improvements Project TS-191

Utilities have completed overhead pole and gas line relocations, while sidewalk, curb, gutter, and storm drain work continue along Johnson Ferry. Underground utility work is ongoing east of Veterans Park.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)

TOO33-7 Roswell Road Phase 2 Construction

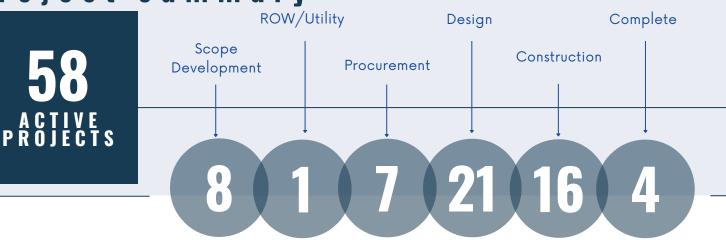
The Roswell Road Streetscape Project is the second and final phase of the Roswell Road project that completes pedestrian sidewalk and sidepath connections on the west side of Roswell Road from Long Island Drive to I-285.

This project constructs 0.14 miles of 9' sidewalk, relocates existing utility poles along the frontage to the back of these businesses, and installs decorative streetlighting on the west side of Roswell Road from Lake Placid Drive to Northwood Drive. The project is expected to be completed by this summer. The project is funded through a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Over the next few weeks, construction will ramp up on the project to include sidewalk and curb installation, MARTA Bus Pad reconstruction and preparation to relocate aerial utilities.



Project Summary



City Council Meeting Recap

Items below were discussed or voted on during the March 18, 2025, City Council Regular Meeting. All items and full presentations can be found on the Public Meeting website <u>HERE.</u>

2025 Annual Action Plan

During the recent Mayor and City Council regular meeting, the Planning and Zoning Division held a Public Hearing for the draft 2025 Annual Action Plan (AAP) for the CDBG program. No action was required by Mayor and City Council. This was a required Public Hearing to announce the availability of the draft AAP on the City's website for review and comment. After the comment period, the AAP will be considered for adoption at the Mayor and City Council meeting on May 6, 2025. The AAP is a summary of the year's activities that the CDBG program funds will be use on. The City will use the funds to continue the Multi-year Roswell Rd sidewalk project (Northwood Drive to Long Island Drive), the Hope Road sidewalk project, and defease the section 108 loan.

Approve Award of a Contract to Construct Drainage Improvements at 5030 High Point Road

Council approved award of contract to G. S. Construction to repair and improve the City-owned storm drainage system at 5030 High Point Road.

Approve Award of a Contract for State Route Mowing

Council approved award of a contract to United Land Services to provide right of way mowing on both Georgia 400 and I-285.



Review Proposed Safe Streets 4 Sandy Springs Safety Action Plan (Images Above)

Staff presented the draft Safety Action Plan at City Council Work Session. The Final Draft Safety Action Plan report is available for public review and comment at spr.gs/safestreets.

RECREATION AND PARKS Major Projects in Sandy Springs

Morgan Falls Dog Park Master Plan

Staff are reviewing a second set revisions to the concept Dog Park Master Plan. These were based on Georgia Power's site requirements and the presence of Colonial Pipeline's equipment bisecting the large dog area. Staff are reviewing proposed surfacing choices at this park located next to the Chattahoochee River.

Morgan Falls Athletic Complex

Installed new bleachers at field #4. Photo on right.



Springway Trail

All cable is installed through railing, totaling 6,000 linear feet. Of this length, 5,000 linear feet is tensioned and considered finished. The work plan for the remainder of this week includes detention cables, cleaning up the site, installing railing by the Fulton County lift station (now in progress and halfway complete). Staff will conduct a walk-through to address remaining work elements as planned this week as well.

The work plan for week of March 24 includes tying up loose ends on the boardwalk with welding, touching up paint, and addressing the list of tasks in the punch out.

Lost Corner Preserve

Staff rebuilt two bridges. The bridges are now wider, extended longer and the height has been raised to prevent future weakening of the bridge foundations.



Past Programming Highlights

Special Pops Tennis at Sandy Springs Racquet Center offers FREE tennis clinics for children and adults with intellectual disabilities providing the opportunity to enjoy the lifetime sport of tennis! Trained volunteers teach forehands, backhands, volleys, serves, and general match play. Athletes and volunteers are welcome to participate. The eight-week clinic started with 24 participants and 24 volunteers.



SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND Environmental stewardship

- Six bald cypress trees were planted along Abernathy Road to replace dead, dying or hazardous trees (DDH) trees.
- Three poplar trees were planted at Marsh Creek Rain Garden in collaboration with refreshed landscape design.
- Two bald cypress were transplanted from North Abernathy Greenway to Marsh Creek Rain Garden as they were better suited to that location.
- Staff assisted Public Works with storm clean up on Roswell Road.
- Staff cleared a downed tree across the trail at Overlook Park.

STORMWATER PROJECT SUMMARY



PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND SIGNATURE EVENTS

MEMBERSHIP EVENT

On March 13th, the Sandy Springs Performing Arts Center welcomed its Director, Producer, and Angellevel members to our annual Chef's Table Dinner. Those in attendance experienced a truly magical evening in the Studio Theatre, where Executive Chef Karl Elliot took center stage, crafting an exquisite four-course meal exclusively for our esteemed supporters of the arts. Each dish was thoughtfully paired with rare and unique wines, elevating the experience to an unforgettable level. It was a welldeserved celebration of their generosity, and we eagerly anticipate next season's Chef's Table.



CITY SPRINGS THEATRE COMPANY RAGTIME

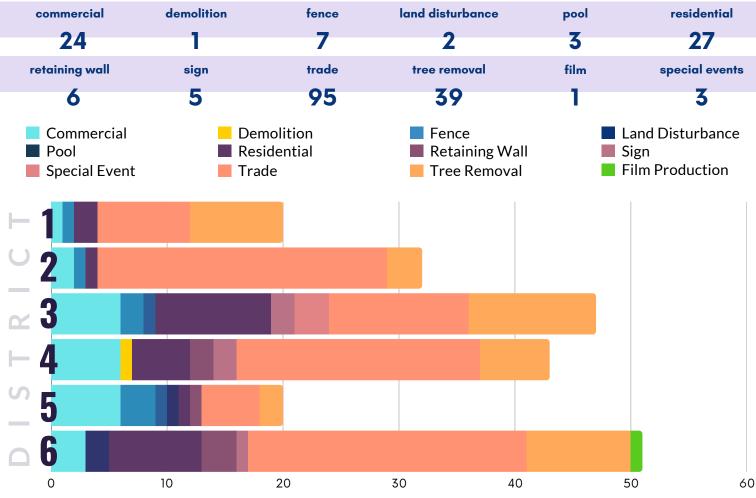
On March 5th, the City Springs Theatre Company loaded in Ragtime the musical which opened on March 14th. The show will run through March 30th, Wednesday through Sunday, with matinees on Saturdays and Sundays.



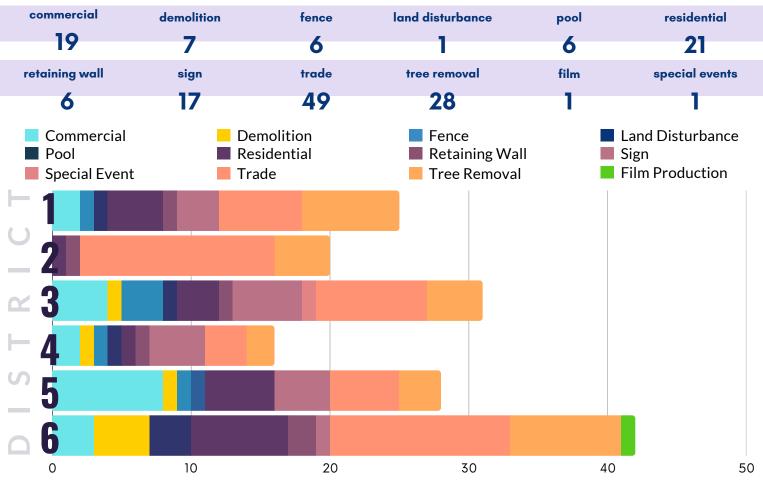


PERMITS

NEW PERMIT APPLICATIONS



PERMITS ISSUED



CODE ENFORCEMENT

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	Address	Enforcement Effort	Violation	Compliance/ Court Date
1	522 Northridge Crossing Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance.	Thursday, March 13, 2025
1	3295 River Exchange Dr.	Notice of violation	Business license.	Wednesday, March 12, 2025
1	8878 Carroll Manor Dr.	Citation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH).	Tuesday, March 18, 2025
2	7360 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Business license.	Tuesday, March 11, 2025
3	6010 Sandy Springs Cir.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance.	Wednesday, March 12, 2025
4	6342 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Business license.	Friday, March 14, 2025
4	5805 DeClaire Ct.	Notice of violation	Working without a permit.	Friday, March 14, 2025
5	1105 Altmore Ave.	Notice of violation	Junk vehicle.	Friday, March 14, 2025
5	789 Hammond Dr.	Citation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH).	Monday, April 14, 2025
6	10 Cates Rdg.	Stop work order	Working without a permit.	Tuesday, March 18, 2025
6	115 Osner Dr.	Notice of violation	Overgrown vegetation.	Friday, March 28, 2025
3	310 Heards Ferry Road	Notice of Violation	Overgrown bushes	3/4/2025
3	185 Cliftwood Dr Unit 451	Notice of Violation	Noise violation	2/21/2025
3	265 Underwood Drive	Notice of Violation	Tree debris	2/25/2025
3	701 Bass Way	Citation	Work without a permit	3/31/2025
3	6111 Boylston Drive	Notice of Violation	Abandoned vehicle (Nissan Sentra)	2/28/2025
3	6111 Boylston Drive	Notice of Violation	Abandoned vehicle (Chevy Cobalt)	2/28/2025
4	7700 Colquitt Road	MRH Re- Inspection/Citation	Overlook Sandy Springs, Building 5000- 5900 Gas meters, open flame cooking devices, and exterior surfaces	4/14/2025

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

PLANNING AND ZONING HIGHLIGHTS

March 10 to 13, 2025, the project team for the City Design Guidelines project engaged with focus groups from various sectors of the community. Staff and the consulting team hosted a **Design Guidelines Public Open House** at City Hall in the evening of March 13 where community members reviewed informational display boards and provided their comments.

March 14, 2025, the Planning and Zoning Division of Community Development hosted the 2025 **Annual Retreat for the Board of Appeals and the Planning Commission** members. The retreat offered presentations from the Mayor, the Assistant City Manager, Atlanta Regional Commission, and MARTA, as well as City departments such as GIS, Legal, Code Enforcement, and Land Development.