

INSIDE SANDY SPRINGS



The hanging benches at Morgan Falls Overlook Park overlooking the Chattahoochee River. This park features a floating dock with kayak ramp to access the river, the new Springway hardscape trail, pavilions, large playground space with accessible swings, dog parks, and ¾ mile hiking trail the woods.

PUBLIC MEETINGS



SANDY SPRINGS
GEORGIA

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Public Meeting
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 2



SANDY SPRINGS
GEORGIA

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Public Meeting
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, September 16



SANDY SPRINGS
GEORGIA

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Public Meeting
Planning Commission Meeting
Wednesday, September 17



SANDY SPRINGS
GEORGIA

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Public Meeting
City Council Meeting
Tuesday, October 7

COMMUNITY EVENTS



SANDY SPRINGS
Farmers Market
SATURDAY MORNINGS

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City Event
Farmers Market 2025
April 12 - November 22



Concerts by the Springs
FREE CONCERT SERIES

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City Springs Event
Concerts by Springs
Select Sundays May - September



SUNDOWN SOCIAL
THURSDAYS - CITY SPRINGS

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City Springs Event
Sundown Social
Select Thursdays May - October



GREAT SOUTHEAST POLLINATOR CENSUS

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Community Event
Great Southeast Pollinator Census
Saturday, August 23

TICKETED EVENTS



FUNNY FRIDAYS WITH JOEL BYARS

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City Springs Event
Funny Fridays with Joel Byars
Friday, August 22



2025 ISSA AWARDS

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City Springs Event
2025 ISSA Awards
Saturday, August 23



PAINT LIKE BOB ROSS

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Recreational Programming
Paint Like Bob Ross
Saturday, August 30



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Recreational Programming
Paint Like Bob Ross
Saturday, September 20

SANDY SPRINGS PUBLIC SAFETY



The Sandy Springs Citizens Fire Academy is an interactive program that gives residents a behind-the-scenes look at fire and emergency services through hands-on training and demonstrations. Participants learn about fire suppression, rescue operations, and emergency preparedness directly from the professionals who serve the community. Last week, Students learned about our emergency 911 dispatch center. This is where dispatch navigates our Fire, Police, and medical responses throughout the city.

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire units responded to the following reported incidents:

- A partial structure collapse in the 5000 block of Jett Road. Damage to the chimney and siding of the residence was found. Investigators determined there was a partial structure collapse on the chimney, likely due to structural weakening over time. The collapse led to a gas leak. No injuries reported.
- A gas leak in the 1000 block of Preston Woods Trail. No gas or carbon monoxide was detected inside the unit. Residents were advised to have their HVAC system inspected due to poor air quality. No hazards found.
- An odor of smoke in the 1000 block of Pine Forest Road. Personnel found a smoldering ceiling fan cover in the attic. The fan was shut off and the cover removed. No further hazards found.
- A smoke or odor concern in the 1000 block of Brookview Circle. A strong chemical odor was detected and traced to renovation work in a neighboring home. No gas leak or CO was found.
- A gas leak in the 7000 block of Landowne Drive. A pool heater was found with a dislodged panel and a slight gas odor. The gas and power were shut off and the utility company was notified. No further hazards were found.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- SSPD officers provided a local business with Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events (CRASE) and situational awareness presentations.
- River Patrol had 236 contacts with individuals on the river. 18 individuals were not wearing a personal flotation device.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - VOLUNTEER UNIT

- The VIP and COP units reported 184 total volunteer hours. The COP hours included 9 patrol shifts patrolling a total of 575 miles. Additionally, the COP units conducted 18 house checks, 101 business checks, issued 25 handicap parking citations, handled 4 private property motor vehicle accidents, and assisted officers on 8 traffic related incidents.

PUBLIC WORKS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS, TSPLOST, AND TRANSPORTATION

What's happening in Sandy Springs

SIDEWALK PROJECTS

S2168 Hilderbrand Sidewalk Project

The Hilderbrand Drive Sidewalk Project has been successfully completed, enhancing pedestrian connectivity and safety in the City Springs area. The project includes a new 6-foot sidewalk along the north side of Hilderbrand Drive, extending across the frontage of the Georgia Power Substation and seamlessly connecting to the existing multiuse path to Mount Vernon Highway and City Springs. On the south side, a 6-foot sidewalk with a 2-foot paver band has been constructed from 215 Hilderbrand Drive to fill in sidewalk gaps, creating a continuous walkway from Blue Stone Road to Roswell Road. In addition, pedestrian lights have been installed on both sides of the street, providing safer and more accessible corridor for the community.



S2164 Evergreen Drive Sidewalk Project

Project S2164, Evergreen Drive Sidewalk project, constructs sidewalk on Evergreen Drive from existing sidewalk at 1130 Evergreen Drive to Craighead Drive. The western terminus of the project will include a rapid flashing beacon and crosswalk with associated pavement markings to connect sidewalk on the north and south side of Evergreen Drive. The project will install approximately 570 LF of sidewalk and reconstruct driveway transitions, curb and gutter, and a curb inlet on the eastern end of the project. The project begins construction early September with completion planned by the end of the year.

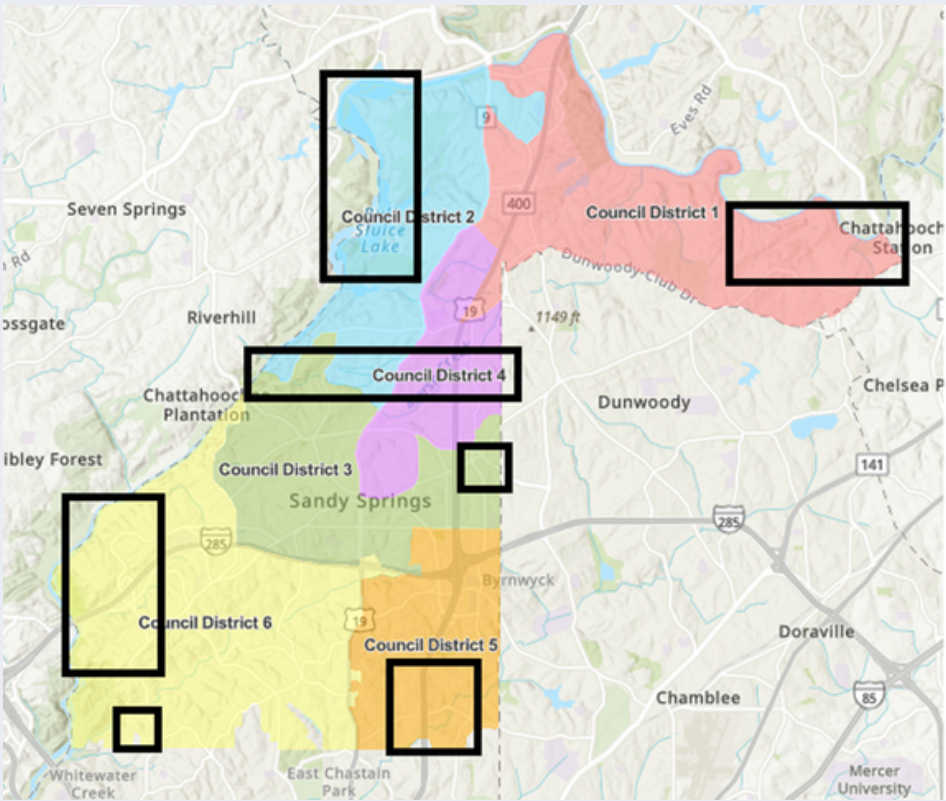


S2187 Brandon Mill Road Sidewalk Project

Construction is ongoing on the Brandon Mill Road Sidewalk Project from Lost Forest Drive to Brandon Ridge Drive. Work is expected to conclude by the end of this year. When completed, the project will provide approximately 1,800 linear feet of sidewalk, drainage improvements including storm pipe and new curb and gutter throughout, two parapet walls and other associated improvements. Work is currently underway near Lost Forest Drive with stormwater piping completed throughout the project. Retaining wall construction continues with granite cladding now being installed as well as backfilling the excavation to construct the wall. Once the wall construction is completed, new curb and gutter directly in front of the walls will be built and the roadway will be returned to the former alignment to complete construction of the remaining sidewalk on the east side.

STORMWATER CONDITION ASSESSMENT PILOT STUDY

This study will assess the condition of 20% of the City's owned or maintained stormwater infrastructure with the goal improving the City's ability to prioritize repair and maintenance and enhance forecasting for future repair requirements. The project kick-off meeting was held on July 14 and is scheduled to conclude in October. The vendor is currently performing field inspections and data collection on a curated list of the City's stormwater inventory, enhancing our current GIS inventory data. The collected data will then be used to more accurately define stormwater system age and condition, improving life cycle cost projections. A final report with synthesis of data and projections is to be compiled at the end of the project.



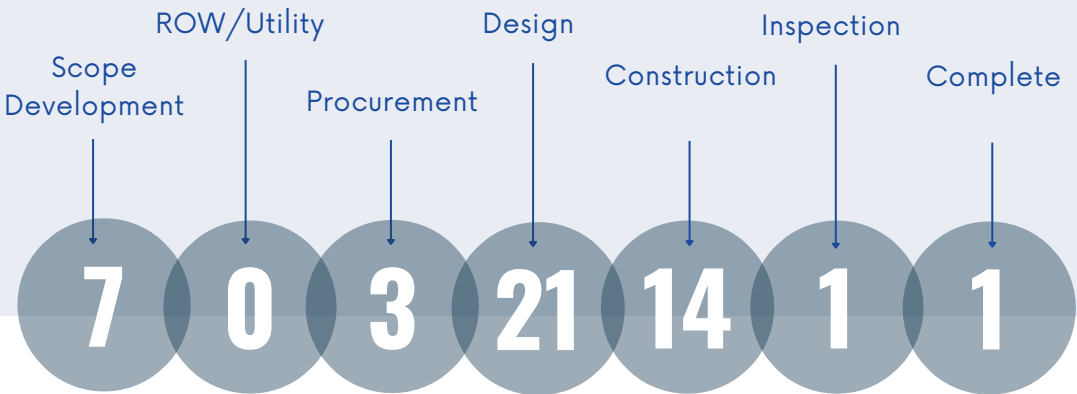
Project T2308 Roswell Road/Lake Placid Intersection Improvements

Work is underway to upgrade the Roswell Road at Lake Placid Intersection traffic signal system. This work adds mast arms, new signal heads and software upgrades to assist with regulating traffic flow and ultimately improving both vehicular and pedestrian safety.

Completion is currently planned for mid-September.

Project Summary

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ACTIVE
PROJECTS



BUILD GRANT UPDATE

The City was notified on July 17 that the application for the BUILD Grant for Public Works was not selected for an award. However, there was encouraging news: the application was recognized as a “Project of Merit,” a distinction awarded to only three out of fifteen applicants statewide. Nationally, out of 785 projects that were not selected for funding, only 67 received this designation. Notably, the first round of funding for the 2025 BUILD program was made available exclusively to previous Projects of Merit. Overall, just 30 awards were granted out of more than 800 applications submitted. We are currently preparing an updated application for the FY 2026 round in pursuit of future funding opportunities.

Field Services

- **T-3000 Pavement Maintenance**
 - FY25 Resurfacing: Work began week of August 4, 2025.
 - Start Week of August 25 – Castleton Drive, Marsh Court
- **T-4000 City Beautification**
 - Burdette Park: Project construction underway.
- **Right of Way Maintenance**
 - Ongoing projects – bi-weekly mowing on I-285 and GA SR 400, Citywide ROW litter removal, street sweeping, City primary and secondary routes mowing
 - Large sidewalk repairs – Sidewalk repairs ongoing – 121 repairs since January 2, 2025.
 - Sidewalk Small Trip Hazard Removal completed. 1,046 trip hazards removed on 53 streets.
 - Sidewalk cleaning work began the week of April 7th. An additional 20 miles to be added to current contract.
 - Pothole Repair Project – 572 potholes/patches repaired since January 2, 2025. Public Works Field Superintendents surveying and marking potholes for repair. Please call the City’s 24/7 Call Center, 770-730-5600, to report potholes.
- **GA 811 Implementation:** Total Locate Requests received Year to Date (08/14/2025) – 2696, Locate Requests received this week – 173

Utilities

Utility Permits Received 33
Permits Issued 26
Active Utility Permits 578
Completed 85

City of Atlanta Water

Active Water Leaks 35
Outstanding Restoration 24

Street Lighting

Requests for new streetlighting 0
Streetlight Petitions sent to residents 0
Lease agreements for signatures 1

Field Services

Tree Removal 12
Sidewalk/Curbs 2
Potholes/Resurface 4
Walls/Fence/Guardrail 0
Service requests/work orders 29
Completed 29
Dead animal removal 3
Trimming/Mowing 4
Litter/Debris 4

	LITTER	MOWING	STREET SWEEPING
Roswell Road North	A-	B-	A
Roswell Road South	A	A-	A
Northridge	A	A	A
Dunwoody Place	A	A	A
Abernathy	A	A	A
Sandy Springs Circle	A	A-	A
Johnson Ferry	A	A	A
I-285 Eastbound	A	N/A	N/A
I-285 Westbound	A	A	N/A
I-285 Interchanges	A-	N/A	N/A
GA-400 North of I-285 Interchange	B	A	N/A
GA-400 South of I-285 – Interchange	A	A	N/A

City Council Meeting Recap

Items below were discussed or voted on during the August 19, 2025, City Council Meeting. All items and full presentations can be found on the Public Meeting website [HERE](#).

Work Session

- **Citywide Design Guidelines Project Update**
 - The Mayor and City Council heard a brief update about the [Citywide Design Guidelines](#) project.
- **Community Assistance Center**
 - The Community Assistance Center provided an update of the program offered to Sandy Springs residents for the 2024 calendar year to the Mayor and Council.
- **Alcohol to Food Sales Ratio**
 - The Mayor and City Council heard a proposal to amend City Code to change the alcohol to food sales ratio for wine and malt beverages within the defined City Springs Open Container District.
- **Vehicle Immobilization Services (Booting)**
 - The Mayor and City Council heard a proposal to amend City Code to modify the requirements for booting.

Consent Agenda, Temporary Construction Easement for Project S2184, Spalding Drive Sidewalk

Council approved acquisition of a Temporary Construction Easement at 7720 Jett Ferry Road.

Conditional Use Permit

The Mayor and City Council denied the Conditional Use Permit (U-25-1), a request to allow a drive through facility in the CX-3 zoning district at 8721 Roswell Road, for a 24-hour Whataburger quick service restaurant.

Consideration of an Ordinance to Rezone

The Mayor and City Council voted to approve with conditions the Zoning Map Amendment (RZ-25-1), a request to rezone the property at 5375 Northland Drive from RE-1 (Residential Estate 2ac.) to RD-7.5 (Residential Detached 7,500sf) to build three (3) homes.

Metropolitan River Protection Act (MRPA) Certificate for River Corridor Review

The Mayor and City Council voted to approve the MRPA Certificate for 715 Bittersweet Trail to build a pool.

Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2026 Ad Valorem Tax Rate

The Mayor and Council approved the ad valorem tax rate for the 2025 calendar year, on property subject to ad valorem taxation by the City that is hereby fixed at 4.731 on forty percent (40%) of each \$1,000 of property subject to ad valorem tax by the City.

Additional On-Street Parking and Public Parking Facilities at City Springs

The Mayor and Council approved an ordinance amending Section 6-175 of the City of Sandy Springs Code of Ordinances to expand the City Springs boundary to include additional on-street parking and public parking facilities on Sandy Springs Circle and Sandy Springs Place NE.

Special Event Permit Denial Appeal Hearing Date

The date for the Holy Innocents Episcopal School Special Event Permit SE-25-38 denial appeal has been scheduled for the next Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

Parking Enforcement Citation Rates

Mayor and Council approved an ordinance amending Section 58-122 of the City of Sandy Springs Code of Ordinances to reduce the amount of a citation for the purpose of parking enforcement within the City Springs boundary. A civil fine of \$25 is now imposed for a first-time violation of any infraction listed under Section 58-121. If not paid within 15 days, the fine now escalates to \$55.

Cistern Repairs Project

A contract award was made to SunCoast Restoration and Waterproofing, LLC for the Cistern Repairs Project at 1 Galambos Way in the amount of \$ 217,165.55

RECREATION AND PARKS

Major Projects in Sandy Springs

Morgan Falls Dog Park Master Plan

Staff are awaiting bids to install a new waterline from the meter down to the dog park. A request for a new meter has been submitted to Atlanta Watershed. Final approval of the concept plan is pending with Georgia Power.

Abernathy Greenway South Improvements

Staff are coordinating with Fulton County on a mutually agreeable IGA to cover the cost of relocating a 60+ year-old clay sanitary sewer line currently located in the stream bank. GDOT is still reviewing the property transfer application needed to convey the land to the City to complete the greenway.

Morgan Falls Athletic Complex Phase III Improvements

Staff is awaiting final approval from Fulton County to proceed with the installation of the new storm drain.

Hammond Park Master Planning

Preliminary concept planning is underway. The design team is incorporating staff feedback into the overall preliminary project concept.

Old Riverside Park Development

The Romtec restroom plans have been submitted to the city for approval. The design team and Fulton County are working on where a sewer tie-in will connect.

Maintenance/Landscaping Projects:

A Hammond Park gym restroom stall had a faulty component that was removed and replaced with a new flush valve.

Lost Corner Cottage light sensors were installed in the outdoor restrooms to improve energy efficiency and reduce unnecessary light consumption. The sensors automatically control the lighting based on occupancy, ensuring lights are only in use when the restrooms are occupied.



Blue Stone 5K-9: A Road Race for People & Pups

Why take your dog for a walk when you can take them for a fun run instead? The Blue Stone 5K-9 will be a pawsome event happening during the Blue Stone Art and Music Festival. Don't miss this tail-wagging good time with your "best friend!"

Runners and walkers of all ages are welcome with or without a furry friend! The route is a primarily flat road race, down and back route. In partnership with Catalyst Sports, Sandy Springs Recreation & Parks will have a limited number of adaptive hand cycles bikes available to borrow for this event for people with disabilities. To reserve an adaptive cycle, please email desiree@catalystsports.org. Learn more about the event and register for the race [HERE](#).

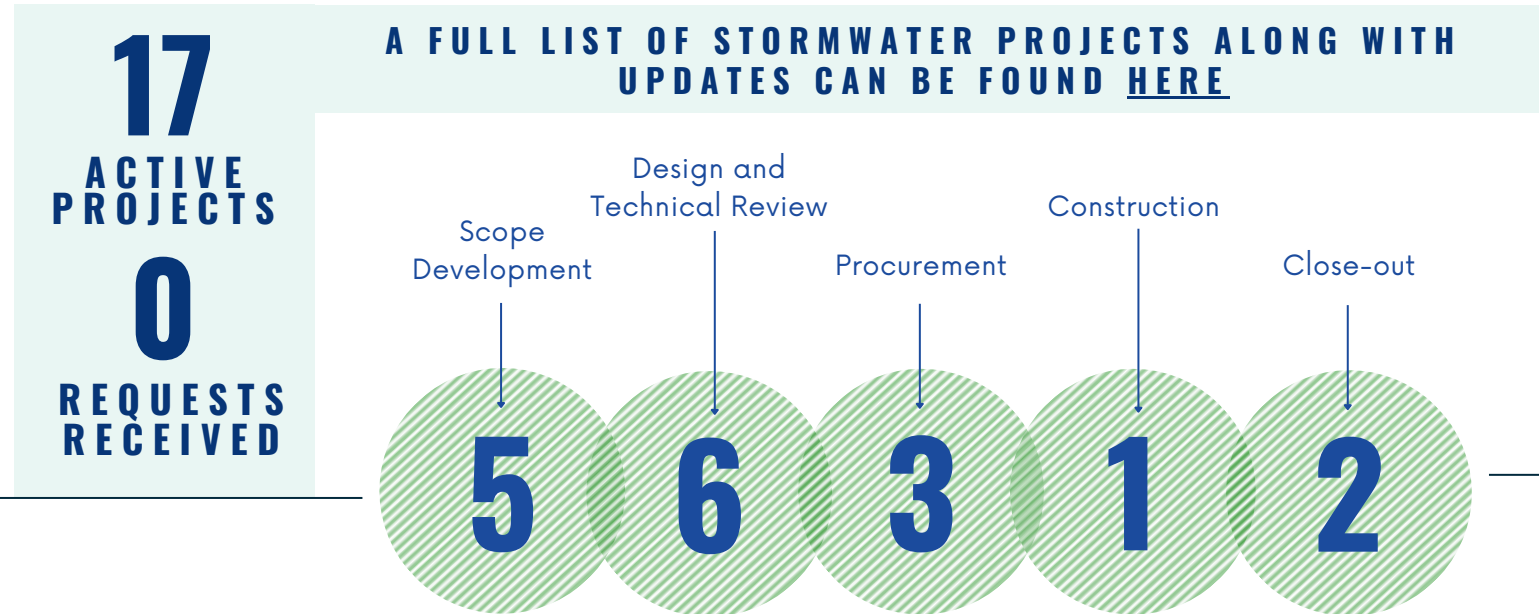
Upcoming Programs and Events

- Youth City Wide Soccer registration is open and program runs August 25 – November 17 at Hammond Park.
 - [PreK-Kindergarten](#) registration
 - [1st & 2nd Grade](#) registration
 - [3rd-5th Grade](#) registration
- [Girls District Flag Football](#) registration is open for girls ages 11-14 years old at Dunwoody Springs Elementary. Program runs September 15 – December 19.
- Sandy Springs Youth Sports [Fall Baseball](#) registration and [Fall Softball](#) registration is open for season beginning September 1 – November 1, 2025. Program located at [Morgan Falls Athletic Complex](#).
- Atlanta Lacrosse League registration is open for [Boys High School league](#) at Dunwoody Elementary and [Girls High School league](#) at Hammond Park.
- [Adult Volleyball Open Gym](#) runs from August 4 – December 18 on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday at Sandy Springs Middle School, 6:30pm – 8:45pm. Registration is free but is required and space is limited!

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

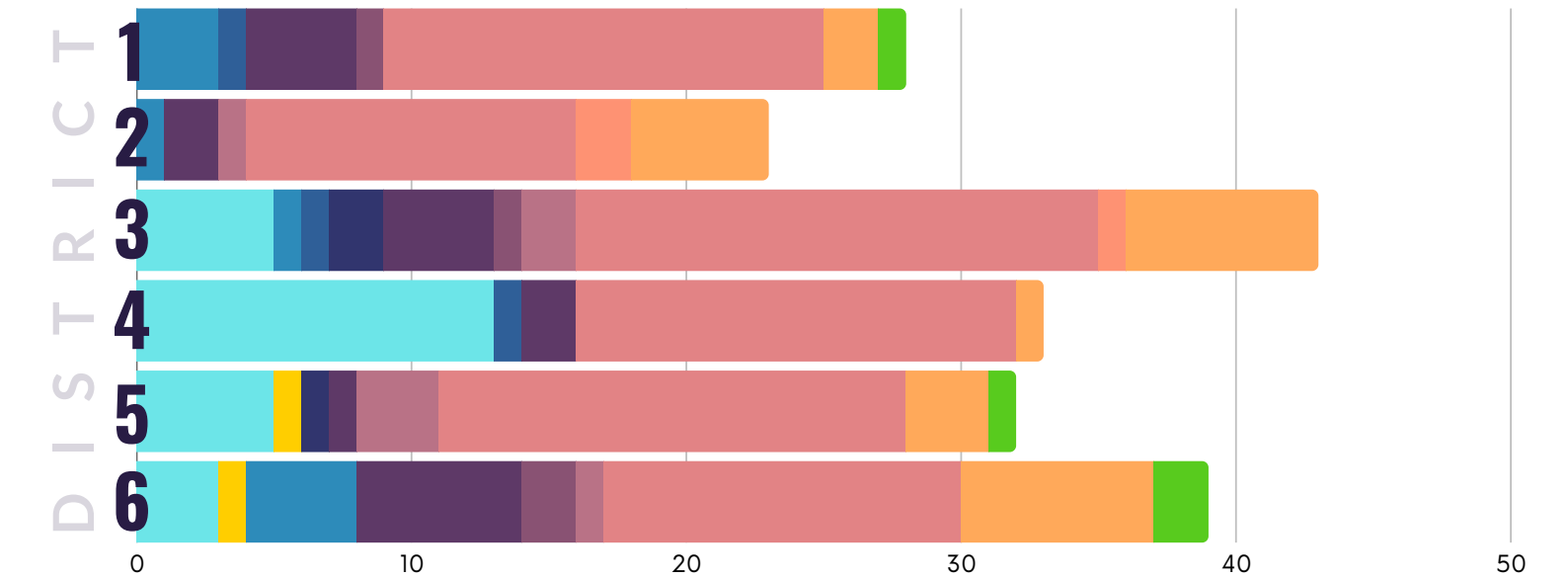
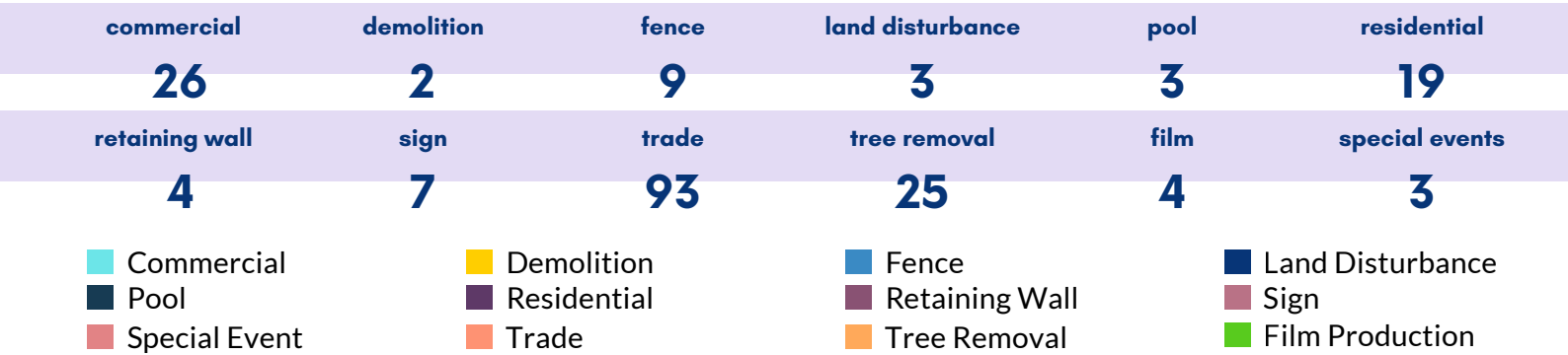
- Donated trees were transplanted at the Abernathy Arts Center.
- Tree pruning was conducted at Windsor Meadows Park.
- 70 volunteers worked at Lost Corner Preserve with the Ecostewards. Volunteers came from Hands on Atlanta, Georgia Tech, and Burns and McDonnell.

STORMWATER PROJECT SUMMARY

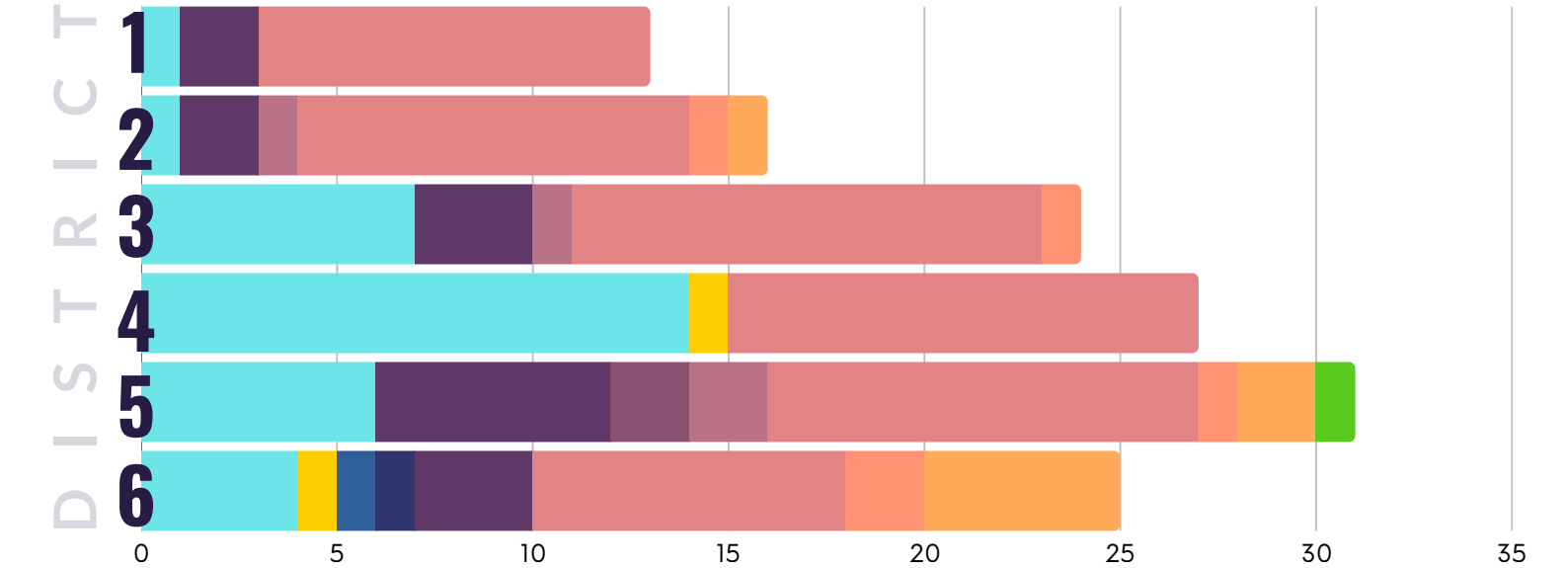
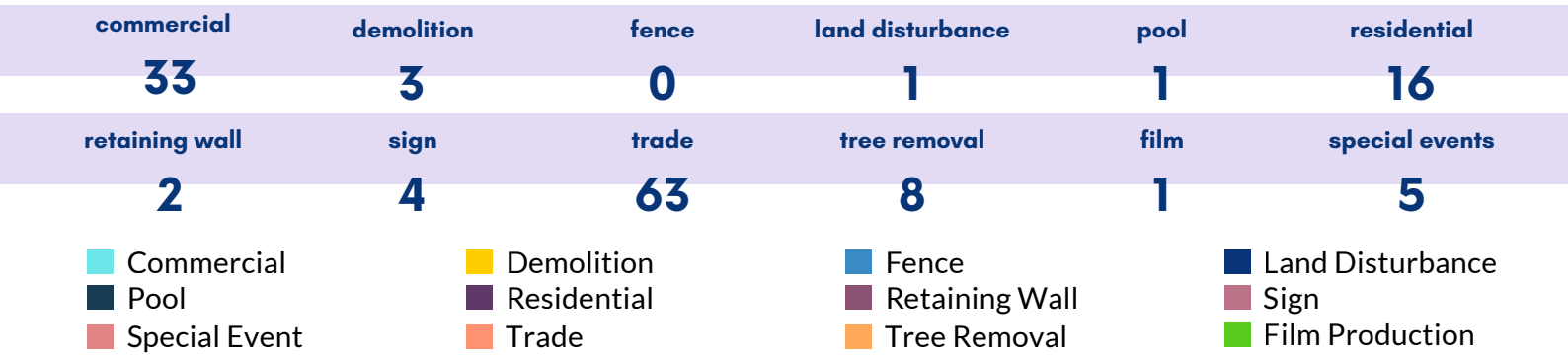


PERMITS

NEW PERMIT APPLICATIONS



PERMITS ISSUED



CODE ENFORCEMENT AND P&Z

	Address	Enforcement Effort	Violation	Compliance/ Court Date
1	501 Summer Xing	Notice of violation	Apartment violations.	18-Aug
1	7910 Innsbruck Dr.	Notice of violation	High grass & weeds.	8-Aug
1	7910 Saddle Ridge Dr.	Notice of violation	Tree debris.	6-Aug
1	1565 Lazy River Ln.	Notice of violation	Working without a permit.	1-Sep
1	7700 Mt. Vernon Rd.	Notice of violation	Working without a permit.	17-Aug
2	7600 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH)	6-Oct
2	7100 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH)	7-Oct
3	195 Cliftwood Dr.	Citation	High grass & weeds.	15-Sep
3	6389 N Hampton Dr.	Notice of violation	Multiple violations.	24-Aug
3	6286 Ferry Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance.	16-Aug
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3	6760 Wright Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance.	22-Aug
3	46 Johnson Ferry Rd.	Stop work order	Working without a permit.	Immediate
3	6451 N Hampton Dr.	Notice of violation	Working without a permit.	21-Aug
4	1020 Brentwood Way	Notice of violation	Apartment violations.	26-Aug
4	57 Trowbridge Lake Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH)	8-Oct
4	7150 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH)	13-Oct
4	7227 Peachtree Dunwoody Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH)	14-Oct
4	7200 Peachtree Dunwoody Dr.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance inspection (MRH)	15-Oct
4	1057 Brentwood Way	Notice of violation	Property maintenance.	26-Aug
4	6851 Roswell Rd.	Notice of violation	Property maintenance.	26-Aug
6	72 Harderman Rd.	Notice of violation	High grass & weeds.	18-Aug
6	940 Mt. Vernon Hwy.	Notice of violation	Illicit discharge.	20-Aug
6	860 Crest Valley Dr.	Citation	Reported as a party house.	15-Sep

PLANNING AND ZONING HIGHLIGHTS

August 7, 2025, the applicants for RZ-25-5 held their first community meeting to discuss their request for a Zoning Map Amendment (rezoning) to rezone the property at 5635 Lake Forrest Drive from RE-2 (Residential Estate 2ac.) to RD-7.5 (Residential Detached 7,500sf).

Additional information regarding zoning cases can be found on the [Zoning Cases Map](#).

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER AND SIGNATURE EVENTS

WALKER HAYES

You may know Walker Hayes from his 2021 megahit "Fancy Like," which Applebee's gleefully used in their marketing. His new tour finds him "unplugged," offering an intimate acoustic experience as Walker takes the audience on a journey through the highs and lows of his life and career.

Through heartfelt storytelling and soul-stirring songs, Walker opens up about the moments that have shaped him, from personal triumphs to unimaginable heartbreak, from viral success to quiet family moments. The Member pre-sale was August 20 and 21, and this very special acoustic experience goes on general sale August 22 at 10:00 a.m.



MOVIES BY MOONLIGHT

Now that Movies by Moonlight is in its third year, we've seen lots of returning faces for the first two screenings at Heritage Amphitheatre. The most recent was August 8 with a showing of The Parent Trap (1998), with 400+ guests. The atmosphere at Movies by Moonlight is fun and family-friendly, so the new selfie station got a lot of action. Snacks and beverages, including the popular "Moonlight Mocktail" - with a glowing ice cube - were available for purchase.



CITY GREEN LIVE

Despite a rain delay, schedule adjustments, and an evacuation caused by a lightning storm, approximately 3,500 guests enjoyed music by The Pussywillows and the headliners, alt-indie band Moon Taxi.

The evacuation went smoothly, with a larger crowd returning to City Green to enjoy the music and food trucks while celebrating the end of our most popular concert series, City Green Live on August 15.

