



CITY MANAGER REPORT
Week Ending September 2, 2016

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

- The 38th Annual Labor Day Race will take place Monday, September 5, at Willis Park. Onsite registration begins at 7:30 a.m. The 1-mile run begins at 8:30 a.m. and the 5K begins at 9 a.m. Proceeds from the race benefit the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Association. View the course map [here](#).
- City Hall will be closed on Monday, September 5, in observance of the Labor Day holiday and will reopen on Tuesday, September 6, at 8 a.m. Sanitation pickup normally scheduled for Monday will be picked up on Tuesday along with Tuesday's regular scheduled pickup.
- Registration for the Third Annual Citywide Yard Sale opened on Monday, August 29. All residents are invited to participate. Registration forms can be found on the City [website](#) and are available at City Hall. All forms must be returned to City Hall no later than Friday, September 9, at 5 p.m. For more information about the event email Mary Bell, aecitywideyardsale@gmail.com.
- The City received two proposals for the Street Condition Assessment project. Staff opened the sealed proposals and reviewed each one. The street conditions assessment will survey 16 centerline miles of City streets and create a city-wide street condition assessment which will aid in the development of a multi-year maintenance plan.
- A phone conference was held with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) project lead regarding the U.S. Highway 278 project. The project will add refuge islands and controlled crossings at key locations throughout the project area, Ashton Place to Sams Crossing, as well as wider sidewalks, and sidewalks where there are currently none to improve pedestrian safety and aesthetics. The project has been assigned a new project lead at GDOT and the new lead requested a conference call since they are not familiar with the project or City staff. A former meeting was held at GDOT with the City, GDOT and DeKalb County staff.
- Mayor Elmore, Commissioner Fisher and City Manager Brown discussed next steps for annexation to be reviewed at an upcoming Board of Mayor and Commissioners work session.

- A meeting was held with Mayor Elmore, City Manager Brown, City Planner Stevens, GDOT, MARTA, City of Decatur, State Representative Karla Drenner, and resident Paul Brown to discuss the Sams Crossing Bridge. Both the City of Avondale Estates and the City of Decatur are interested in pursuing options to make the Sams Crossing Bridge more pedestrian and bicycle friendly. The bridge is a gateway to both cities and a link to MARTA, which should be an amenity to existing and new residents. City staff will be contacting MARTA to get up-to-date information on the plans and status of the Clifton Corridor Study.
- The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 is legislation intended to preserve historical and archaeological sites in the United States of America. The act created the National Register of Historic Places, the list of National Historic Landmarks, and the State Historic Preservation Offices. It is the most far-reaching preservation legislation that was ever enacted in the United States. City Planner Stevens is a member of the Regional Historic Preservation Forum group which is planning events to celebrate the 50th anniversary of this important legislation. A meeting was held to discuss the upcoming celebration.
- The July monthly Main Street Report was completed. One business closed, and approximately \$165,000 in renovation costs were invested in a downtown building.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- Sergeant Conroy attended taser instructor re-certification training at Baldwin County Sheriff's Officer in Milledgeville, Georgia. This training allows Sergeant Conroy to continue to provide taser training to the officers of the Avondale Estates Police Department (AEPD).
- Staff Sergeant Brown completed training at the Terminal Agency Coordinator conference in Savannah, Georgia. He received Peace Officer Standards Training hours for the event.
- Preparations and duty assignments for the Labor Day Race are complete.
- The AEPD will provide assistance and security to Susan G. Komen Walk for a Cure participants as they pass through the City on Friday, October 7.

PUBLIC WORKS

- Cut and removed dead trees from 8 Coventry Close, 25 Exeter Road, and 19 Dartmouth Avenue.
- Cut and removed dead or low hanging limbs throughout the City.
- Filled pothole at 71 Berkeley Road.
- Removed silt from street at the intersection of Exeter Road and Fairfield Drive.

- Installed new doggie waste stations at Lake Avondale.
- Repaired spilt rail fence on North Clarendon Avenue and the Avondale Community Clubhouse.
- Installed Labor Day banners.
- Household Waste Removed – 24
- Site Visits – 218
- Sign Violations – 21
- Special Pickups – 7
- Yard Waste Removed – 7