



## **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Week Ending January 27, 2017

### **CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE**

- City Planner Stevens attended the Land Use Coordinating Committee meeting at the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC). The meeting outlined the Community Choices program, the upcoming Historic Preservation Forum, Community Planning Academy, the Local Food Initiative, Development of the Regional Impact update, and changes to the Livable Center Initiative and the Transportation Improvement Program Project Selection Criteria.
- The ARC staff agreed to assist the City with facilitating meetings regarding the Historic District and Architectural Review Board Guidelines. The first meeting was held on January 25, and focused on existing boundaries, conflicts and barriers to the successful implementation of existing regulations, and the identification of solutions and strategies for implementing recommendations. The workshop was organized as an informal discussion with input from the public. A follow-up meeting will be held in the next few weeks.
- Work continues to secure a grant for Phase III of the Carl's Corner Restoration Project which involves installing an interpretive sign.
- To maintain the City's Opportunity Zone, the City is required to complete a report to the Department of Community Affairs each year. Staff finished the narrative portion of the report along with the required parcel database. All City departments provided input into the report. Currently, two businesses take advantage of the tax credit provided by this program
- The recent paving completed on Hess Drive does not meet City standards. Staff, the City engineer, and members of HEH Paving met to formulate the next steps needed to correct the issues.
- An Official Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony was held at Twisted Hair Studio, 3180 Franklin Street, to welcome the new business to the City. View pictures from the event on the City's [Facebook page](#).

### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

- The Avondale Estates Police Department (AEPD) was represented at the Official Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony of new business Twisted Hair Salon.

- Chief Thomas attended a meeting with City Manager Brown in reference to the traffic/pedestrian study conducted at Willis Park.
- AEPD assisted with conducting a building clearance and walk-through at the former Peachtree Credit Union at 64 North Avondale Road and the former Ray's Indian Originals at 90 North Avondale Road for the Mayor to view.
- A speed study was conducted on East College Avenue monitoring eastbound traffic with the speed display set in the "on" position. The study covered the seven-day period of January 13-19, 2017. The report revealed that 44,777 vehicles traveled the roadway at an average speed of 32 mph in a posted 35 mph zone; 43,760 of the 44,777 vehicles were operating within acceptable limits during the seven-day study.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

- Searched for injured goose at Lake Avondale.
- Dispatched DeKalb County Watershed Management to inspect a possible compaction issue at 1 Fairfield Plaza.
- Installed temporary signs at Lake Avondale.
- Removed dirt/silt from Franklin Street and the intersection of Franklin and Center Streets.
- Contacted utility company SEC to repair washout of previous work performed at Fairfield and Wiltshire Drives.
- Followed up with DeKalb County Watershed Management on resident's continuing to have no water at Lakeshore Plaza.
- Removed bird droppings on sidewalk in front of Sunbrimmer Records.
- Household Waste Removed – 26 tons
- Yard Waste Removed – 10 tons
- Sign Violations – 12
- Special Pickups – 12
- Site Visits - 12