



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Clai Brown, City Manager

DATE: May 1, 2015

SUBJECT: **WEEKLY REPORT**

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

- In order to receive construction grant funds from the Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) Program and to be eligible for other grant sources originating from the federal government, the City must be Locally Administered Projects (LAP) certified. City staff completed the last required class, Title VI/ADA, and is working with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) to determine the next steps to LAP certification.
- The City is working with the Atlanta Regional Commission to define a schedule and public participation plan for the Comprehensive Plan Update.
- Jollay Masonry is finishing up the Carl's Corner Rehabilitation. Staff met with Jollay on site to determine what still needed to be done.
- The Board of Mayor and Commissioners requested that City staff use the Ad Hoc Tree Ordinance Committee's recommendations to draft a Tree Ordinance which regulates the residential districts. Staff is finishing up a draft of the ordinance and application form for review.
- Staff received an overview of the recently completed legislative session via the Statewide Listening Session webinar hosted by Georgia Municipal Association's Governmental Relations staff.
- A ribbon-cutting ceremony was held for The Market in Avondale's Grand Opening.
- The Community Club provided lunch for all City associates in appreciation of their hard work.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- AEPD conducted the seventh week of the Citizens Police Academy. The topic for the session was “Firearms and Use of Force.” The Use of Force Continuum and other related issues were explained.
- Cpl. Conroy, Departmental Training Officer, served as the main speaker for the Avondale Estates Men’s Club meeting held at the American Legion. Cpl. Conroy’s presentation covered two topics: the “Right to Carry” (citizens possessing firearms for protection), and the issues occurring across the country pertaining to law enforcement officers and the Use of Force.
- Planning and preparations were made for the DeKalb School of the Arts Foundation’s Ants Run for the Arts.

PUBLIC WORKS

- Cleared debris from storm drains throughout the City.
- Removed graffiti from the City Limit sign at Sams Crossing.
- Trimmed vegetation in the bridal path leading to the pocket park behind 5 Clarendon Place.
- Cleaned weeds and overgrowth from the ivy at Carl’s Corner.
- Cleared overgrowth and removed weeds from the City property at the corner of North Avondale Road, Lake Street and Franklin Street.
- Limbed up several low hanging limbs throughout the city.
- Site Visits-19
- Sign Violations-21
- Grass Violations-5
- Household Waste Removed-29 tons
- Yard Waste Removed-4 tons
- Special pick-ups-6