



MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Clai Brown, City Manager

DATE: December 5, 2014

SUBJECT: **WEEKLY REPORT**

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

- The Feasibility Study Demonstration Project from Lake Street along U.S. Route 278 to North Clarendon Avenue is taking place on Saturday, December 6th, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A presentation and interactive exercises will take place at City Hall from 10 to 11:30 a.m. and then participants will head outside. Staff has been working with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT), the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC), the consultant team and volunteers to plan the event. A planning and training meeting was held for the volunteers. The event has also been promoted in the e-news and social media. Details are available on the City website: <http://www.avondaleestates.org/downtownmaster.html>.
- The City continues to be in communication with Google about the potential expansion of their fiber network. As far as a decision timeline, Google plans to provide an update by the end of 2014. The City met with Google again this week to answer clarifying questions about our existing processes for permitting.
- The City has been awarded an \$8,000 Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) Health Promotion Grant. The City, GMA and the Local Government Risk Management Services (LGRMS) are committed to building effective health promotion and wellness programs for City associates.
- Avondale Estates associates participating in the Wellness Program attended a one-hour seminar, "Fats: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly," led by a DeKalb Medical nutritionist.
- The City submitted personal items donated by the community to the Mayor's Christmas Motorcade, a Georgia Municipal Association event benefitting the state's mental health patients. The City also submitted \$205 in monetary donations that will assist the patients over the next year.

- The City welcomes area children with special needs (physical and developmental) and their parents/guardians to embark on a free Ringling Bros. and Barnum and Bailey Circus Magical Journey Experience at Philips Arena on February 13th at 5 p.m. Qualifying families will be provided with a free family pack of up to four tickets for the circus performance, as well as a private pre-show. Contact City Hall by December 17th to sign up. Tickets are made available through the Georgia Municipal Association.
- The City's annexation webpage was updated with the latest annexation master plan map, financial analysis and commercial and residential annexation data. View the page here: <http://www.avondalestates.org/annexation.html>.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- All officers completed their online In-Service Training, leaving the mandatory classroom portions/topics to be completed by the end of the month.
- AEPD officers assisted in the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony in the plaza, providing security and traffic control.
- The monthly Command Staff Meeting was conducted. Items discussed were the current budget expenditures, personnel, upcoming training, holiday patrols and scheduled events.
- AEPD will be assisting the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) 5K run this Saturday morning starting at 8 a.m. Event details are on the DJJ website: <http://www.djjnewsandviews.org/djjcharitablecampaign/2015funrun.html>.

PUBLIC WORKS

- Completed installing Christmas decorations throughout the City.
- Followed up with Georgia Power on the decorative light pole fixture and replacement of the light fixture located near 33 South Avondale Road.
- Organized and consolidated items for the intersection road diet demonstration.
- Repaired damaged lights on City Christmas tree.
- Contacted DeKalb County Watershed to inspect a sewage smell at the 100 block of North Avondale Road.
- Contacted the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) again to have the construction signs removed on U.S. 278 left behind from the repaving project.

- Site Visits-13
- Sign Violations-10
- Household Waste Removed-29 tons
- Yard Waste Removed-8 tons
- Special Pick-ups-5