



## MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Clai Brown, City Manager

DATE: October 10, 2014

SUBJECT: **WEEKLY REPORT**

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### CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

- A phone conference was held between City Staff and members of the Department of Community Affairs to discuss Main Street Progress and the final steps needed for full certification and reporting.
- The Department of Juvenile Justice, located on Covington Highway, has been working with MARTA to lease additional parking spaces. The two entities are not able to come to an agreement because of insurance requirements. The Downtown Development Authority and staff are working with the two entities to find a solution that is mutually beneficial.
- Information regarding zoning for the requested annexation area known as Stratford Green was compiled for the Planning and Zoning Board.
- A Zoning Confirmation Letter for property along Maple Street and E. College Ave. was completed by staff.
- The unincorporated area of DeKalb County, known as Druid Hills, is looking into possible annexations. The City is following this topic because of its impact on the school district if the area is annexed into any other municipality.
- The Carl's Corner Stabilization is underway. The consultant has provided a number of mortar samples and new light fixtures are being chosen. The consulting team will begin the stabilization work soon.
- As part of the Feasibility Study the City will hold a demonstration project which will illustrate the impact of some of the proposed changes to US 278. The event is tentatively scheduled for November 8. More information will be provided soon.

- City staff participated in the International Walk/Bike School Day. Biking or walking to school helps the environment (air quality and conservation of resources) and is great for the health of our students. Staff was stationed at four crosswalks greeting, stopping traffic and encouraging students to have a wonderful day.

## **PUBLIC SAFETY**

- AEPD received the third body camera system which was requested to use on a trial basis. Factors being considered in the use of such a unit include durability, operation, data storage and retrieval, maintenance and cost.
- Command and City Staff met with the coordinator of an upcoming 5K run sponsored by the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), located in Avondale Estates. Preparations, to include the route and other key items, are in the early stages.
- AEPD provided support and security and ensured pedestrian safety during AutumnFest last weekend.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

- Removed tree limbs overhanging a building in the commercial district.
- Installed banners for the Avondale Community Club (ACC) Pig Roast scheduled for October 17-18. The celebrated annual event starts at 6 p.m. both nights at the ACC, 59 Lakeshore Drive. Tickets are available at City Hall. Read more on the ACC website here: <http://thelakehouseatavondale.com/community/index.php>.
- Contacted DeKalb County Traffic Engineering regarding malfunctioning traffic lights at the intersections of N. Clarendon Ave. and N. Avondale Rd., and Pine St. and N. Avondale Rd. DeKalb County has coordinated with GDOT regarding the signalization issues, and all should be resolved.
- Poured new concrete slab for the installation of a new park bench at Carl's Corner.
- Site Visits-16
- Grass Violations-3
- Sign Violations-20
- Household Waste Removed-23 tons

- Yard Waste Removed-5 tons
- Special Pick-ups-3