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Tuesday, May 16, 2023

Special Called Meeting

2:00 PM

The City Council Special Called Meeting will be held in the Barfield Conference Room, 2nd floor, at Sandy Springs City Hall (1 Galambos Way, Sandy Springs, GA 30328).

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I. FY 2024 Budget Workshop 2 – Eden E. Freeman, City Manager

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FY 2024 Budget Workshop 2

Eden E. Freeman
City Manager

May 16, 2023



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FY 2024 Budget Calendar

Date	Item
April	Departmental Budget Meetings / Finance Review Phase
April – May	Senior Management / Mayor Review Phase
May 2	Budget Workshop 1
May 16	Budget Workshop 2
May 23	City Council Proposed Budget Presentation
June 6, 6:00 PM	First Public Hearing and Budget Workshop 3
June 20, 6:00 PM	Final Public Hearing and Budget Adoption

Workshop Goals

- Receive feedback and direction from City Council as we develop the FY 2024 Budget
- Review and validate FY 2024 budget planning assumptions
- Understand Public Safety, General Government Services, and Facilities priorities as part of the City's service delivery and capital programs

Budget Principles

- Conservatively determine revenue and expenses
 - Solid estimating effectively neutralizes pressures to inflate revenue estimates to cope with budgeting pressures
- Do not use one-time revenue sources for ongoing expenses
 - When a non-recurring source of revenue is used to fund an ongoing expense, an "automatic unfunded increase" is built into the budget for the following year

Workshop 1 Questions

FY 2024 Operating Budget Assumptions Increase/Decrease from FY 2023

	FY 2023	Increase/Decrease	FY 2024
Funding to PFA for Principal and Interest on Bonds	\$ 12,626,075	\$ (2,757)	\$ 12,623,318
GGs Call Center Subcontractor Agreement	\$ 604,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 619,000
North Fulton Regional Radio Authority Operations	\$ 675,000	\$ 198,449	\$ 873,449
Continued Service Agreements with Community Non-Profits	\$ 537,500	\$ 162,500	\$ 700,000
General Liability Insurance	\$ 1,359,863	\$ 163,184	\$ 1,523,047
COLA for City Employees	\$ 2,197,743	\$ 23,983	\$ 2,221,725
Health Insurance Increase	\$ 6,364,326	\$ 1,670,715	\$ 8,035,041
Animal Control Agreement with Fulton County	\$ 175,000	\$ 50,000	\$ 225,000
Debt Service for Fire Trucks	\$ 1,142,820	\$ 90,000	\$ 1,232,820
Increase in Jail Services	\$ 425,000	\$ *	\$ *
Public Works Subcontractor Agreements	\$ 5,700,000	\$ (335,194)	\$ 5,364,806
Recreation and Parks Subcontractor Agreements	\$ 850,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 1,100,000
Increased Rent at Buildings 300 and 400 (7840 Roswell Road)	\$ 970,306	\$ 116,951	\$ 1,087,257
Continued EMS Subsidy with Enhanced Services	\$ 260,000	\$ 0	\$ 260,000
Total	\$ 33,887,633	\$ 2,402,831	\$ 35,865,463

*undetermined at this time

Sandy Springs Police Department

Breakdown of Sworn Personnel

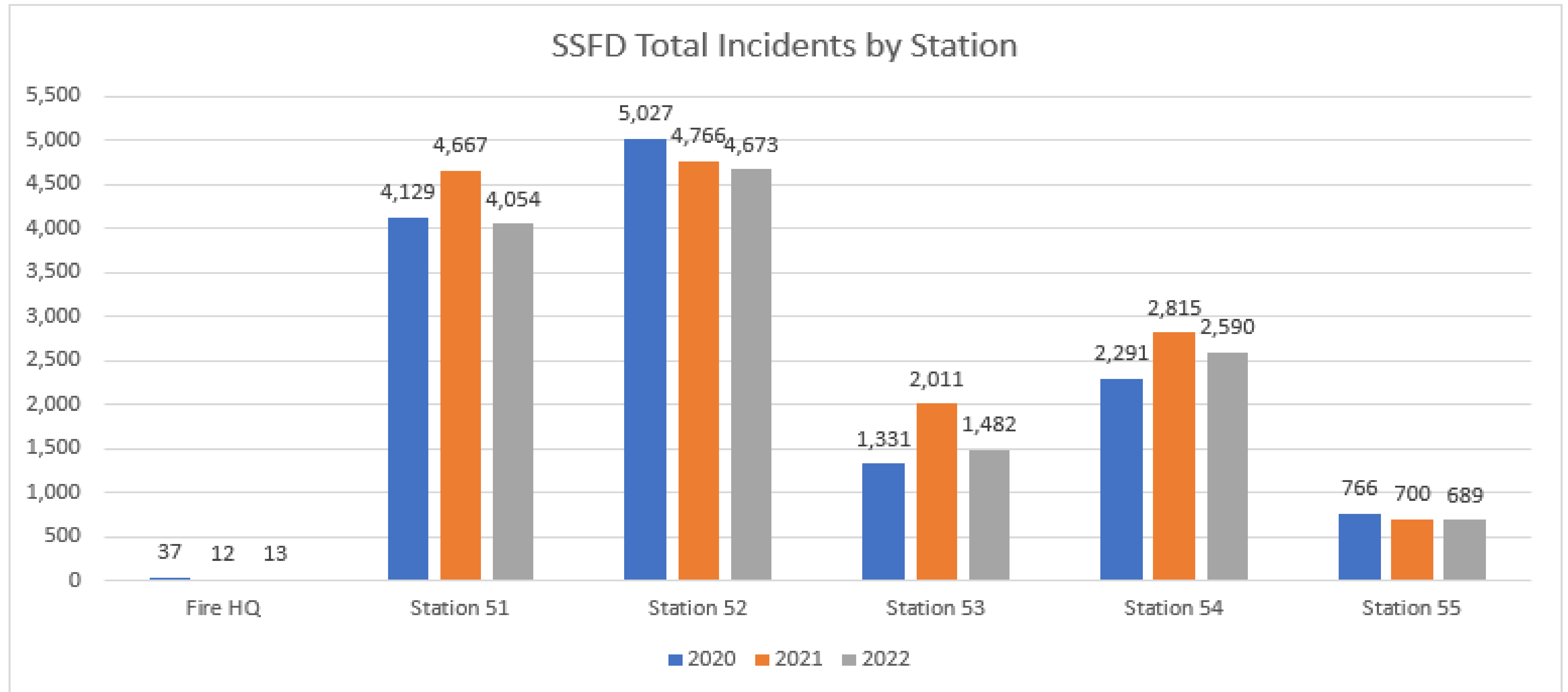
Position	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024 Proposed
Full-time	168	169	173
Part-time	17	17	17
Total	185	186	190

Position	FY 23	FY 24 Proposed
Chief	1	1
Deputy Chief	1	1
Major	2	3
Captain	4	4
Lieutenant	8	8
Sergeant	21	21
Officer	99	101
Part-time Officers	9	9
Total	145	148

Sandy Springs Fire Department

- Defibrillators
 - Cost for one - \$41,000
 - 5-year lease for 10 is ~\$90,000 per year
 - Current defibrillators have reached the end of service life (5-7 years)
- Cost of One Dose of Narcan (2mg): ~\$40
 - Each truck houses two doses (16 total doses are housed on trucks with an additional 16 doses in reserve)
 - 65 doses are currently in inventory
 - Number fluctuates based on doses being administered on calls
- Number of Paramedics
 - 38 total Paramedics – 34 on shift and 4 at HQ

SSFD– Incidents by Station



Abernathy Arts Center Update

- Continuing discussion with ArtSS for ongoing programming
- Estimated required subsidy of \$60,000
- Assessing condition of existing facilities to determine possible usage for pottery programs which will lessen need for operational subsidies
- Amount not included in budget estimates

Maintenance Costs of City Green Artificial Turf

- Estimated cost of installing artificial turf - \$408,000
- Estimated cost per year to maintain current turf - \$25,000
 - Maintenance, top dressing, chemical applications, aeration - \$10,000
 - Replacement turf - \$30,000*
 - Water, irrigation - \$6,000
- Loss of rental revenue and availability to public
- Estimated cost per year to maintain artificial turf - \$4,500
 - Includes annual inspection and testing, monthly grooming/sweeping, and post-event maintenance
 - Turf life expectancy is about 8 years, depending on use
 - ~8.87 years to meet ROI

Georgia Commission on the Holocaust Museum and Gallery Project Update

- Houser Walker has been meeting with GCH to continue design efforts for their area of the project
- The City contracted ConsultEcon to perform a review of the potential usages for the second floor of the project
- Next Steps
 - Present ConsultEcon's Exhibition Venue report to Council to seek guidance to move forward with project design
 - Houser Walker begins Project Design

Recreation and Parks

- Sandy Springs Middle School - Intergovernmental Agreement
 - Current IGAs for Sandy Springs Middle School expires in February 2024
 - City Staff are exploring opportunities to continue the partnership
- Recreation and Parks Programing Comparisons – 2019-2023 (YTD)
 - Number of participants

City Programming				
2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 (YTD)
3,281	902	2,059	4,669	1,387

Contractor Programming				
2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 (YTD)
131,216	39,233	71,102	68,376	12,046

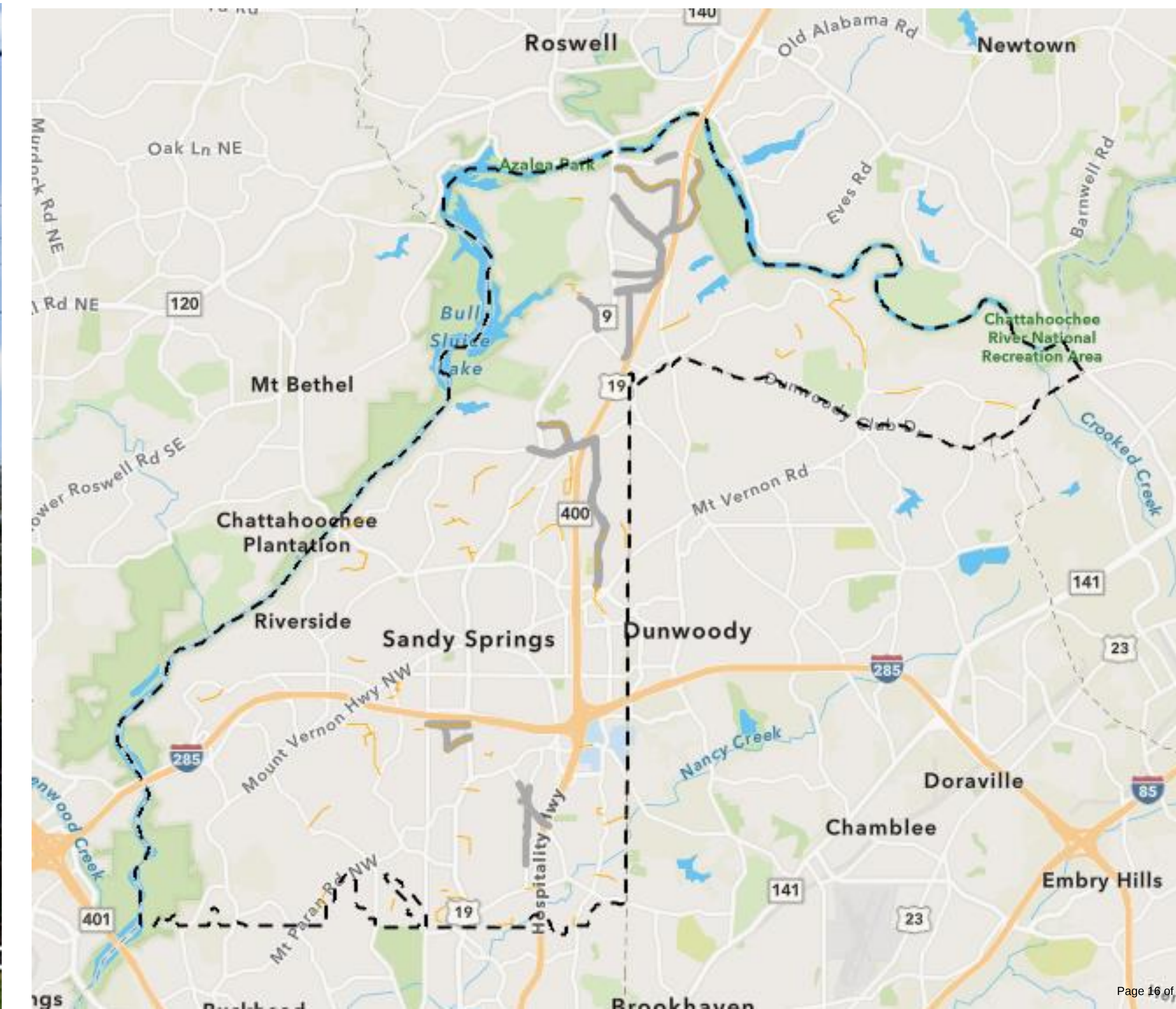
T-4000 – Beautification Program

- Proposed annual investment of \$125,000 in right of way appearance work
- Efforts to date have included:
 - Interstate Wildflower Planting
 - Crepe Myrtle pruning on Roswell Road
 - Sidewalk and decorative retaining wall cleaning
 - Sod installation and replacement
 - Current “3 corners” enhancements at Johnson Ferry Road and Abernathy Road
 - Repairs to decorative screen walls in established streetscape areas
 - Paint/stain existing concrete strain poles

Expenditures for City Beautification Program – T-4000

Cost: \$125,000

- Northside Drive Interchange to be re-planted
- 90,000 linear feet of sidewalk to be cleaned
- Strain poles on Abernathy Road to be re-painted/stained



Signature Events – Attendance Per Event

Event	2022 Estimated Attendance	2023 Projected Attendance	FY 24 Proposed Budget
MLK Art and Film Festival	---	300	\$ 8,800
Children's Hospital Lantern Parade	50	50	\$ 1,700
Take it to the River Lantern Parade	1,500	2,500	\$ 40,000
Farmers Market	16,000	19,200	\$ 38,500
City Green Live	10,500	12,000	\$ 213,000
Concerts by the Springs	4,000	4,500	\$ 40,325
Sundown Social	---	2,500	\$ 30,000
Food that Rocks	800	1,500	\$ 5,000
Juneteenth	---	1,500	\$ 10,000
Stars and Stripes	8,000	10,000	\$ 77,500
Movies by Moonlight	---	3,000	\$ 15,000
Fall Festival	---	15,000	\$ 225,016
Spooky Springs	1,500	1,800	\$ 32,500
Veterans Day	200	300	\$ 5,000
Sparkle Sandy Springs	5,000	6,000	\$ 250,000
Total			\$ 992,341

Fall Festival

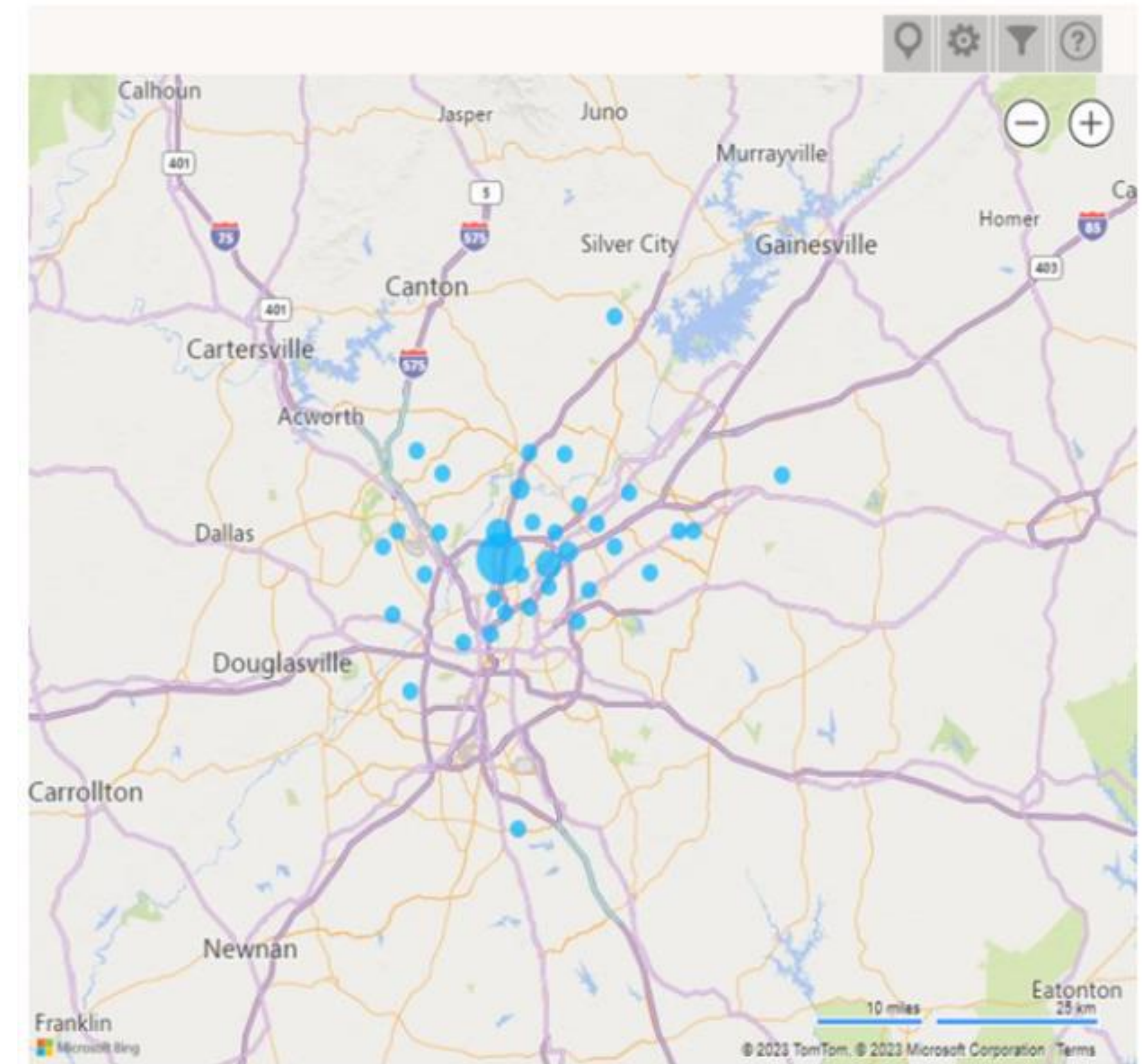
- Reboot this fall – September 28 – 30, 2023
- “Blue Stone Arts and Music Festival”
- Blue Stone Road and Hilderbrand Drive
- Artists and Craftsmen
- Two stages of music, food trucks/vendors

Solidarity Sandy Springs

- Requesting \$75,000 to provide food for 3,750 families
- Serving 300 families per week
 - Awarded funds will allow Solidarity to provide food for 12.5 weeks
- Solidarity supplies families with fresh produce, which has increased in cost
- Currently track by Zip Code, not limited to Sandy Springs



Shopper Service Area
October 2022 - April 2023



Waste Haulers – FY2023 Data

	Quarter 1			Quarter 2			Quarter 3		
	Customers	Recycling	Waste	Customers	Recycling	Waste	Customers	Recycling	Waste
American Disposal	38	37.4	360.4	39					
Arrow Waste	22	0	212	22		243	21.7		241
College Hunks		2.3	2		0.5	2			
Commercial Equipment Sales	5	0	108						
Cox	2600	52	826.6	788.7	11.8	76.9			
Custom Disposal	728.3	10.9	71				856	12.9	83.5
Diamond Disposal	20	0	12	20	0	12			
Pilot Waste							3	0	53
Republic	29	6.02	549.9	28	5.8	525.1	27	0	489
Seegreen Services	31.6	950	6.6	223.3	10.7	53.5			
Waste Management									
Waste Pro	7	12.4	60.7						

Keep North Fulton Beautiful

	2021					2022				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
Paper	111.46	171.87	126.95	110.14	520.42	109.14	88.90	158.48	110.53	467.04
Plastic	8.13	8.51	10.29	9.03	35.96	6	4.44	13.69	0	24.13
Glass	103.46	88.30	63.02	106.17	360.95	66.52	101.08	104.85	108.95	381.40
Metal	30.91	31.97	39.16	31.00	133.03	43.64	64.88	45.42	26.18	180.12
Electronics	28.70	13.29	13.23	10.68	65.91	6.89	0	16.74	6.98	30.61
Mulch/Organics	39.68	0	0	0	39.68	22.88	0	0	0	22.88
Fats, Oils, Grease	0	1.05	1.73	0	2.78	0	0	0	0	0
Home Medical Equipment	.36	.18	.18	0	.72	.18	.36	.36	.18	1.08
Textiles/Home Goods	4.93	4.81	8.22	2.47	20.43	5.69	7.69	7.08	3.96	24.41

2022 Short-Term Rentals – Apartments

- Total Listings – 203
 - 40 notices were sent to 40 different apartment complexes
 - 30 days after the notices were sent, 19 of the apartment complexes still had active listings.
 - Notice of violation issued to each apartment with listings found (134 listings in total)
 - After working with management and allowing them time to identify each unit, 88 listings had been removed, 8 citations were issued to 3 different apartment complexes, and 38 units remain unidentified.

FY 2024 Capital Budget Assumptions

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Department	Project Description	FY 2024
IT	Infrastructure Hardware Replacement	\$ 417,000
IT	Workstation Replacement and Upgrades	\$ 210,000
IT	Parcel Corrections	\$ 130,000
Facilities	City Springs II	\$ 200,000
Facilities	City Springs - City Green Artificial Turf Installation	\$ 530,000
Facilities	Facilities Maintenance from the Facility Condition Assessment	\$ 354,000
Facilities	Trowbridge/Police Department Vehicle Storage	\$ 150,000
Facilities	Heritage/Georgia Commission on the Holocaust (Partial Funding)	\$ 2,000,000
Facilities	Heritage Lawn Stream Buffer Remediation and Park Renovation Design	\$ 250,000
Facilities	Veterans Park	\$ 2,300,000
Communications	Outdoor Art Program	\$ 50,000
Police	K9 Replacement	\$ 15,000
Fire	Fire Equipment Replacement	\$ 102,500
Fire	LUCAS Devices (3)	\$ 65,000
Fire	Turnout Gear/PPE	\$ 135,000
Fire	Fire Station 4 - Kitchen Renovation	\$ 80,000
Fire	AirPak SCBA Decon Washers (Stations 1, 3, 4)	\$ 90,000
EMA	Generator for Mobile Centers	\$ 60,000
Public Works	Bridge and Dam Maintenance Program	\$ 300,000
Public Works	City Beautification Program	\$ 125,000

FY 2024 Capital Budget Assumptions

Department	Project Description	FY 2024
Public Works	Guardrail Replacement Program	\$ 50,000
Public Works	High Point Road Pedestrian Crossing*	\$ 250,000
Public Works	Intersection and Operational Improvements	\$ 725,000
Public Works	Pavement Management Program	\$ 7,400,000
Public Works	Roswell Road at Lake Placid Intersection Improvements (Mast Arms and Signals)*	\$ 350,000
Public Works	Stormwater Repair and Maintenance	\$ 160,000
Public Works	Stormwater Capital Improvements	\$ 2,000,000
Public Works	Traffic Management Center Fiber Program	\$ 350,000
Public Works	Traffic Calming	\$ 50,000
Public Works	Traffic Management Program	\$ 600,000
Public Works	Roswell Road-MARTA Access to Transit Streetscape	\$ 250,000
Public Works	Peachtree Dunwoody Road Multimodal Study	\$ 190,000
Public Works	Internally Illuminated Street Name Sign Rehab Program	\$ 125,000
Rec & Parks	Crooked Creek Park Trail Improvements*	\$ 75,000
Rec & Parks	Morgan Falls Dog Park Improvements Design	\$ 80,000
Community Dev	Citywide Design Guideline Development*	\$ 150,000
PAC	Video Board – Studio Theatre	\$ 250,000
* FY 23 Ballot Items		Total
Assumptions do not include PCID, Tree Fund, CDBG, and Fleet		\$ 20,618,500

FY 2024 Capital Budget Ballot

Review of FY 2024 Capital Budget– Ballot

Estimated \$5,842,536 available for allocation

Project Description	FY 2024
Abernathy Greenway Enhancement	\$ 2,000,000
Bridge Enhancement Design	\$ 350,000
City Trail Design (Segments 1E-F and 2C)	\$ 800,000
Flood Mitigation and Resilience Plan	\$ 200,000
Heritage Band Shell	\$ 2,000,000
Lake Forrest Drive - Allen Road Intersection Improvement	\$ 1,200,000
Long Island Drive at Mt. Vernon Highway Intersection Improvement	\$ 800,000
Morgan Falls Athletic Complex Improvements	\$ 1,500,000
Morgan Falls Pedestrian Lighting	\$ 816,000
Roswell Road - Windsor Parkway Right Turn Lane	\$ 800,000
Trail Segment 2E Partial Construction	\$ 2,000,000
TOTAL	\$ 12,466,000

FY 2024 Citywide Capital Projects Scoring

Mayor Paul	Paulson	Kelley	Mular	Reichel	DeJulio	Bauman	Project Description
5	9	1	4	8	9	7	Abernathy Greenway Enhancement
6	2	9	8	5	7	10	Bridge Enhancement Design
1	11	8	6	7	11	9	City Trail Design (Segments 1E-F and 2C)
7	1	6	5	10	2	5	Flood Mitigation and Resilience Plan
8	8	11	11	11	6	11	Heritage Band Shell
9	5	3	1	2	4	1	Lake Forrest Drive - Allen Road Intersection Improvement
3	6	4	2	3	8	2	Long Island Drive at Mt. Vernon Highway Intersection Improvement
4	3	7	7	1	3	6	Morgan Falls Athletic Complex Improvements
10	4	2	3	6	5	4	Morgan Falls Pedestrian Lighting
11	7	5	9	9	1	3	Roswell Road - Windsor Parkway Right Turn Lane
2	10	10	10	4	10	8	Trail Segment 2E Partial Construction

Recommended FY 2024 Citywide Capital Projects

Score	Priority	Project Description	Est. Allocation	FY 2024
3.57	1	Lake Forrest Drive - Allen Road Intersection Improvement	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,200,000
4	2	Long Island Drive at Mt. Vernon Highway Intersection Improvement	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000
4.43	3	Morgan Falls Athletic Complex Improvements	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000
4.86	4	Morgan Falls Pedestrian Lighting	\$ 816,000	\$ 816,000
5.14	5	Flood Mitigation and Resilience Plan	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
6.14	6	Abernathy Greenway Enhancement	\$ 1,326,536	\$ 2,000,000
6.43	7	Roswell Road - Windsor Parkway Right Turn Lane	\$	\$ 800,000
6.71	8	Bridge Enhancement Design	\$	\$ 350,000
7.57	9	City Trail Design (Segments 1E-F and 2C)	\$	\$ 800,000
7.71	10	Trail Segment 2E Partial Construction	\$	\$ 2,000,000
9.43	11	Heritage Band Shell	\$	\$ 2,000,000
Total			\$ 5,842,536	\$ 12,466,000

Lake Forrest Drive – Allen Road Intersection Improvement

Cost: \$1,200,000

- Mini-roundabout at Allen Road will reduce overall delay by over 50% and alleviate the queues contributing to angle crashes at Northwood Drive
- Recommended improvements include
 - Mini-roundabout
 - Lake Forrest Drive and Allen Road
 - Maintain side street stop and sight distance on southeast corner
 - Lake Forrest Drive and Northwood Drive



Long Island Drive at Mt. Vernon Highway Intersection Improvement

Cost: \$800,000

- Recommended Improvement
 - Realign cemetery driveway to align with Long Island Drive
 - Add traffic signal
 - Meets signal warrants and can be operated in coordinated pattern with Mt. Vernon Highway and Hammond Drive

Proposed Budget	\$800,000
Design	\$150,000
Right of Way	\$50,000
Construction, Utilities	\$500,000
Contingency	\$100,000



Morgan Falls Athletic Complex Improvements

Cost :\$1,500,000

- Master Plan improvements include:
 - Building with 6 batting cages at lower fields
 - Ten bull pens at 5 fields; fence, turf, concrete slab, and storm drainage
 - Concrete plaza adjacent to lower fields concession area
 - Exterior batting cages at upper fields; fence, turf, slab, and walls
 - Playground at upper fields; soft surfacing, sail shades, and grading
 - Playground at lower fields with pavilion, shade sails, retaining walls, grading, and landscaping

Upper Fields 6 and 7 Playground Improvements



Cost: \$816,000

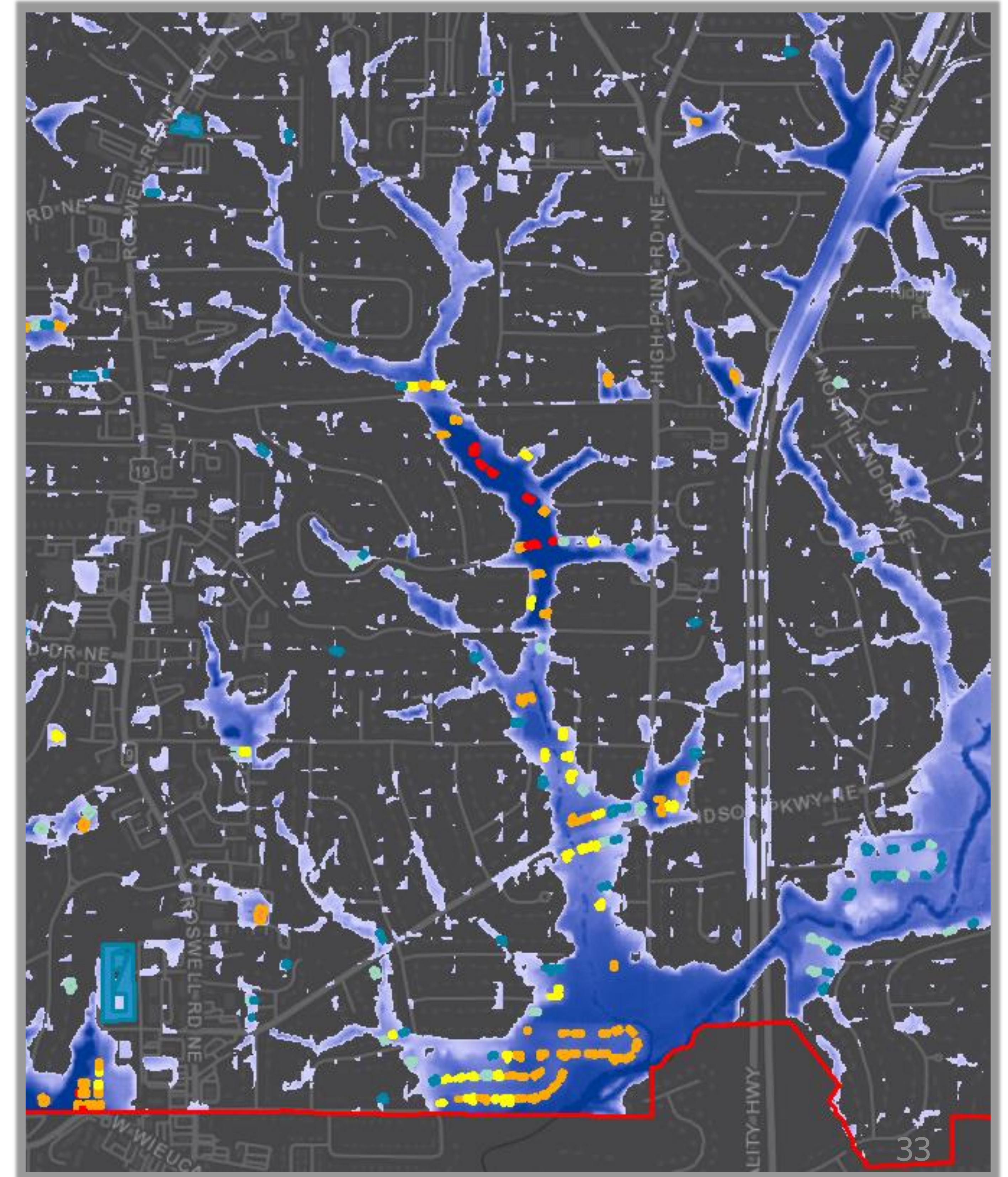
- Install 102 pedestrian scale lights along Morgan Falls Road from Roswell Road to Overlook Park.
 - Both sides of the road to the Police building (1,700 LF ~ 42 lights)
 - One side of the road from Police building to Overlook Park. (4,700 LF ~ 60 lights)



Flood Mitigation and Resilience Plan

Cost: \$200,000

- Building and road flooding is a known problem, expected to worsen over time
- Flood Vulnerability Model identified several areas of concerns
- Plan will propose policies and actions to help alleviate flooding
 - Could include additional scenario modelling
- Multidisciplinary project
 - Sustainability
 - Emergency Preparedness
 - Transportation
 - Stormwater
 - Land Development



Abernathy South Greenway Enhancement

Cost: \$2,000,000

- Funding would supplement existing funds to design and implement measures to move, capture, and manage surface water from Abernathy Road.
- Includes needed trail renovation, water quality structures, landscaping and streambank protection for this section of Marsh Creek.
- Staff will apply for 319 EPA/GA EPD grant funds.



Questions