

City Manager Report for December 2009

- **City Hall:**
 1. See attached 2009 Accomplishments Document
 2. City website: www.cityofsugarhill.com Construction Watch icon; Electronic Packets; Newsletters and events.
 3. * Plaza Security to help deter/ report illegal activity. Available for HOA meetings, 770-455-0905.
- **Streets:**
 1. The 2009 Road Resurfacing Project is complete; list is on the City website.
 2. Hillcrest Dr. curb / gutter and sidewalk construction is complete.
- **Planning and Zoning: November**
 1. 23 Construction Permits.
 2. 39 Building Inspections.
 3. 26 Erosion Control Inspections.
 4. Report possible City Code Violations: www.cityofsugarhill.com using the CARES form on the Home Page.
- **Recreation:**
 1. Gary Pirkle Park construction is going well and construction continues. Grand Opening March 2010.
 2. Gary Pirkle Park now consists of 66 contiguous acres.
 3. Entrance off of Suwannee Dam Road will begin construction in January 2010. This new area will include two pavilions, spectator bleachers and an additional restroom building.
 4. 18 acre EE Robinson Park expansion contract awarded to Reeves Contracting of Sugar Hill. This design will use bio-filtration techniques for stormwater collection and will have paths, approximately 200 parking spots, a playground and a 400 foot baseball/softball complex. Phase I will be the roadway from PIB and parking.
 5. EE Robinson Park; all required properties have been purchased to begin initial design work for adding four (4) T-Ball fields and converting the soccer field to two (2) Little League fields.
- **Golf:**
 1. The City has hired Scott Murphy as the Clubhouse Manager. Call the golf course or check out the website for specials events and discounts. www.sugarhillgolfclub.com
 2. Clubhouse expansion / renovation is under way.
 3. Course is one of the best values in the Atlanta area. Special coupons have been included in your natural gas invoice or newsletter envelope. Call the Pro Shop, 770-271-0519. Tee times can be made seven (7) days in advance.
- **Gas:**
 1. Pay ONLINE: www.cityofsugarhill.com or Automatic Payment Service, call City Hall, 770-945-6716.
 2. 10 new services in November.
 3. All natural gas distribution lines and meters in the City have been inspected.
 4. Sugar Hill's price per therm for November 20th - December 5th invoices was \$.91.
 5. Total Price comparison for 134 therms in November: Sugar Hill \$133.47 SCANA - \$168.87, Georgia Natural - \$173.93, Gas South - \$ 166.99.

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2009 City Accomplishments

General:

Completed purchase of R/W for W Broad Street and Alton Tucker Improvements

\$200,000 of Post Office Sales

Purchased properties on Level Creek to expand EE Robinson Park, **\$100,000 under market value**

Completed NEEDS Survey, public input, renderings and RFQ for design of new City Hall **RFP for Construction March 2010**

Completed design and permitting submittals for downtown retention/detention amenity
RFP for Construction February 2010

Downtown Road Improvement in final design and utility de-confliction coordination **RFP Spring 2010**

RFP for City Sanitation Contract, **lowered residential rates by an average of approximately 5%**

City Staff now records Council Meetings

Stormwater utility software implemented for tracking and fees

Purchased new citywide radio system and additional tower antenna to eliminate "dead zones"

Created video for North Gwinnett Co-Op as public service

Moving radar sign/recorder throughout the City to better inform drivers and control speeding

Numerous changes/upgrades to City website for information sharing

Streets:

Constructed curb, sidewalks and drainage on RR Avenue **1.2 miles**

Constructed curb, sidewalks and drainage on Hillcrest **1.3 miles**

Constructed curb, sidewalks, drainage, resurfaced and realigned Church Street **.25 mile**

Completed patching and resurfacing Road Program **4.4 miles**

Graded / installed landscaping on Hwy 20 and PIB

Demolished house and milk barn on upper GPP property

Demolished all purchased homes on Level Creek

Maintain 4.25 miles of State and County R/W on Hwy 20 and PIB

Collected **1,472 truckloads** of landscape material (grass and leaves)

Collected **208 truckloads** of mulched tree material

Collected **119 truckloads** of large tree debris (too large to mulch)

Stormwater:

Removed and replaced stormwater drainage system under Roberts Dr

Removed and replaced stormwater drainage system under South Roberts Dr

Removed and replaced stormwater drainage system under driveways on Oakgrove

Removed and replaced stormwater drainage system along Frontier Dr.

Inspected and cleaned 30% of City culverts

Began locating all drainage structures with GIS for mapping

Gas:

10,000 customers with one of the five best public rates in the State

Replaced 7,000 feet of distribution line

4,300 pre-construction utility locates

204 emergency repairs and calls

41 new services

Golf:

Hired new Clubhouse Manager

Rated one of Golf Digest Magazine's "Best Places to Play"

16,000 golf customers

8,000 driving range customers

Revenues up by \$70,000 over five year average

Rounds played up by 1,000 over five year average

Snack Bar revenues up \$5,000 over five year average; even with kitchen not working

Pro Shop Merchandise \$12,000 under five year average

Design and begin construction on Clubhouse expansion, gazebo and kitchen upgrades.

Recreation:

Events; Senior Valentines Dance, Easter Egg Hunt, five (5) summer movies, July 3rd Sparks in the Park,

Fall Festival, Holiday Celebration, hosted Southeast 7 vs. 7 Football Tournament.

Youth Athletics; flag football – 800 participants, T-Ball / Baseball – 667 participants,

Lacrosse – 134 participants and cheerleading – 34 participants

Adult Softball; Men's League 24 teams, Adult League – 12 teams

Community Classes – 500 participants

Improved expanded parking lot street lighting

New parking lot, lights and landscaping

32 foot Christmas Tree

EE Robinson 18 acre park expansion design and construction award, **saved \$800,000 by changing design and construction**

Gary Pirkle Park Phase I construction, 5.6 acres of synthetic turf fields, 3 acres of grass fields, 1.7 miles of asphalt pathways, six (6) creek crossing bridges, sports lighting, street lights on pathways, unique pavilion-playground facility, concession/restroom facility, flagstone entrance gateway, parking and landscaping

Designed upper GPP parking area and expansion of park amenities

Planning and Development:

Development:

77 acres for Disturbed Land Permits

241 Site Inspections

65 Construction Site NOVs

4 Stop Work Orders

Inspections:

290 permits issued

525 building inspections

Code Enforcement:

1411 NOVs

175 CARES requests

Municipal Court:

247 Citations

Continued – 37%

Fines – 20%

Dismissed – 8%