



**City Council - Work Session
The Chambers at City Center**

**8534 Main Street, Woodstock GA
(Main) 770.592.6000 (Fax) 770.926.1375
<http://www.woodstockga.gov>**

***Hearing Assistance Available Upon Request**

AGENDA

Monday, August 18, 2025

**City Council - Work Session
7:00 PM**

ITEM 1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ITEM 2. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. **Announcements** (Brian Wolfe)
On August 28th, the Creative Woodstock Walking Tour will delve into the creative artsy side of Woodstock! The tour will explore public art currently on display throughout downtown, plans for more public art, and the thriving creative economy in Downtown Woodstock with a visit to Made Mercantile to hear the behind-the-scenes story of this home to local makers. Get tickets at visitwoodstockga.com or the Woodstock Visitors Center.
2. **Tree Ordinance Update** (Cameron Dunn)

ITEM 3. PRESENTATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. **Proposed Drone Delivery Operations at Walmart** (Katy Leggett)
City staff are requesting feedback and direction regarding potential policy considerations for a proposed drone delivery operation at the Walmart located at 12182 Highway 92.
2. **Noise Ordinance Modification Discussion** (Hannah Menard)
City staff are requesting feedback and direction regarding proposed modifications to the City's Noise Ordinance (Chapter 30, Article 2). Redlined changes are provided as an attachment.
3. **2025 Tax Digest and Millage Rate Discussion** (Ron Shelby)
4. **Park Bond Project Update** (Brian Borden)
5. **Mission Square Plan Changes Discussion** (Ron Shelby)
6. **Presentation - Emergency Response to Electric Vehicle Fires** (Shane Dobson)

ITEM 4. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

1. **Fire Department Monthly Report (July 2025)** (Shane Dobson)
2. **Police Monthly Report (July 2025)** (Brian Aligood)
3. **Community Development Hot Sheet (August 2025)** (Duane Helton)
4. **Parks & Recreation Monthly Report (July 2025)** (Brian Borden)

ITEM 5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEM 6. FINAL ADJOURNMENT

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Stacy Brown, Administration

ITEM TYPE: Announcements

AGENDA SECTION: **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

SUBJECT: **Announcements**

SUGGESTED ACTION: On August 28th, the Creative Woodstock Walking Tour will delve into the creative artsy side of Woodstock! The tour will explore public art currently on display throughout downtown, plans for more public art, and the thriving creative economy in Downtown Woodstock with a visit to Made Mercantile to hear the behind-the-scenes story of this home to local makers. Get tickets at visitwoodstockga.com or the Woodstock Visitors Center.

ATTACHMENTS:

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Cameron Dunn, Community Development

ITEM TYPE: Presentation and Discussion Items

AGENDA SECTION: **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

SUBJECT: **Tree Ordinance Update**

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Katy Leggett, Administration

ITEM TYPE: Presentation and Discussion Items

AGENDA SECTION: **PRESENTATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

SUBJECT: **Proposed Drone Delivery Operations at Walmart**

SUGGESTED ACTION: City staff are requesting feedback and direction regarding potential policy considerations for a proposed drone delivery operation at the Walmart located at 12182 Highway 92.

ATTACHMENTS:

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Hannah Menard, Community Development

ITEM TYPE: Presentation and Discussion Items

AGENDA SECTION: **PRESENTATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

SUBJECT: **Noise Ordinance Modification Discussion**

SUGGESTED ACTION: City staff are requesting feedback and direction regarding proposed modifications to the City’s Noise Ordinance (Chapter 30, Article 2). Redlined changes are provided as an attachment.

ATTACHMENTS:

- [Noise Memo.pdf](#)
- [Attachment A - Draft Noise Revisions.pdf](#)
- [Attachment B - 7.22.24 Minutes.pdf](#)
- [Attachment C - 7.22.24 Presentation.pdf](#)



DATE: August 18, 2025
TO: Woodstock Mayor and City Council
FROM: Hannah Menard, Planner I
SUBJECT: Noise Ordinance Modification Discussion

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

City staff request feedback and direction regarding proposed modifications to the City's Noise Ordinance (Chapter 30, Article 2). Redlined changes are provided as Attachment A.

BACKGROUND

In July 2024, City staff brought forth a presentation to the City Council that summarized the existing Noise Ordinance, showcased research done on other jurisdictions, and provided recommendations for future modifications. Discussion focused on a few key issues, including where noise measurements are taken, changes to maximum noise level limits, and how to address mixed-use buildings and zoning districts. At the conclusion of that meeting, the Council requested staff bring a draft ordinance to a future Work Session to be discussed and edited prior to being brought for a vote.

The minutes from the July 22, 2024, City Council meeting are provided as Attachment B. The presentation is provided as Attachment C.

The proposed changes fall into three main categories that address the items discussed at the July 22, 2024, Council meeting:

1. Additional options for where the noise measurements are taken.
2. The addition of a "Downtown Entertainment District" category with an alternate timeframe and higher permitted noise levels. The boundary of this district would match the most current adopted Downtown Entertainment District Map.
3. An acknowledgment that the Downtown Entertainment District is a mixed use district and may have higher noise levels.

Additional proposed changes address exterior speakers and the ability to request an exemption as part of the Special Event permit process.

Staff request feedback and direction on the proposed changes, and if there are additional outstanding items that need to be addressed before a final ordinance can be brought forth. Based on the direction provided, staff will make edits and bring a final ordinance for approval to the Council in the coming weeks.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment A - Proposed Noise Ordinance Changes
- Attachment B - July 22, 2024, City Council Minutes
- Attachment C - July 22, 2024, Noise Ordinance Presentation

Attachment A1

Code Of Ordinances

Chapter 30 – Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions

Article II. Noise

Sec. 30-41. Loud and unnecessary noises; prohibition.

- (a) No person shall willfully make, continue or cause to be made or continued any excessive, unnecessary or unusually loud noise which disturbs the peace and quiet of and the general well-being and privacy of its citizens or which causes discomfort or annoyance to any reasonable person of normal sensitivity residing within the City limits.
- (b) Consumer fireworks (exempt from maximum noise levels).
 - (1) It shall be lawful for any person, firm, corporation, association or partnership to use or ignite or cause to be ignited any consumer fireworks on:
 - a. Any day beginning at the time of 10:00 a.m. and up to and including the ending time of 9:00 p.m.;
 - b. On January 1, July 3, July 4, and December 31 of each year after the time of 9:00 p.m. and up to and including the time of 11:59 p.m.; and
 - c. On January 1 of each year beginning at the time of 12:00 midnight and up to and including the ending time of 1:00 a.m.
 - (2) An application for a special use permit may be made to be considered by the Mayor and Council to allow for a time outside the scope of the time permitted by State law. A non-refundable special use permit fee will apply. The special use permit shall designate the time and location that such person, firm, corporation, association or partnership may use or ignite or cause to be ignited such fireworks.
- (c) The following acts are declared to be loud, disturbing and unnecessary noises in violation of this section, but the enumeration shall not be deemed exhaustive:
 - (1) *Motor vehicles.* The sounding of any automobile, motorcycle or any other motor vehicle horn; the sound of any automobile, motorcycle or any other motor vehicle being raced on any street or public place of the City.
 - (2) *Exhausts.* The discharging into the open air of the exhaust of any internal combustion engine, or motor vehicle except through a muffler or other device which will effectively prevent loud or explosive noises.
 - (3) *Radio and similar devices.* The operation of any radio set, musical instrument, phonograph, television set or other machine or device for the producing or reproducing of sound in such a manner as to disturb the peace, quiet and comfort of neighboring residents. Business establishments located in the Downtown business-Entertainment District may host the performance of live music until 11:00 p.m.
 - ~~(3)~~(4) *Exterior Speakers.* The installation of any exterior speakers shall be directed toward the interior of the building. Exterior speakers shall be shut off when the business closes.
 - ~~(4)~~(5) *Construction equipment and activity.* The operation of any equipment or the performance of any outside construction on buildings, structures, roads or projects (to include commercial solid waste activities) within the City between the hours of 7:00 p.m.

Attachment A2

and 7:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday. On Sunday, construction equipment and activity shall only be between the hours of 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m., with no solid waste activities allowed on Sunday.

- ~~(5)(6)~~ (6) *Animals.* The keeping of any animal which, by frequent or continuous barking, meowing or other means of communication, disturbs the comfort or repose of the residents of any residential neighborhood, or animals that make any vocalizations for more than 15 minutes without interruption or more than 30 minutes if the vocalization is intermittent.
- a. These time limits do not apply if the vocalizations are given as a warning to the presence of an intruder.
 - b. Officers enforcing this Subsection (5) are not required to measure the vocalizations with the use of a sound level meter.
 - c. Upon notification of a complaint concerning such vocalizations, the owner of such animal shall be given a written warning indicating that such animal is creating a disturbance, so long as the complainant provides the officer with the address of the owner, an a physical description of the offending animal.
 - d. If the disturbance is not resolved within two days or a subsequent complaint is made for such animal by a different individual, who resides at a different location from the first complainant, a court summons shall be issued.
- ~~(6)(7)~~ (7) *Vehicle repair.* The repairing, rebuilding or testing of any motor vehicle between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. within any residential area in such a manner as to disturb the peace, quiet, and comfort of the residents of the area.
- ~~(7)(8)~~ (8) *Schools, churches, hospitals.* The creating of any excessive noise on any street adjacent to any school, church, or adjacent to any hospital which unreasonably interferes with such institution, or which disturbs or unduly annoys patients in the hospital, provided conspicuous signs are displayed indicating that the same is a school, church or hospital.
- ~~(8)(9)~~ (9) *Maximum noise levels.* ~~It shall be a violation of City ordinance if any of the noise levels enumerated in this section exceed the noise levels listed below when measured in the home or business of the complaining party or the noise is generated from the stereo system of a vehicle and can be heard for more than 100 feet from the vehicle:~~

<i>Maximum Noise Level Limits</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Noise Levels</i>
<i>Residential</i>	10:00 p.m.—7:00 a.m.	55 dBA
	7:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.	60 dBA
<i>Commercial</i>	10:00 p.m.—7:00 a.m.	60 dBA
	7:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.	65 dBA
<i>Light industrial</i>	10:00 p.m.—7:00 a.m.	65 dBA
	7:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.	70 dBA
<i>Heavy industrial</i>	<i>Anytime</i>	<i>75 dBA</i>

Attachment A3

Sec. 30-42. Maximum Noise Levels; Measurement of Noise.

(a) It shall be a violation of City ordinance if any of the noise levels enumerated in this section exceed the noise levels listed below.

(b) Measurement of noise levels. The measurements of noise levels shall be measured in accordance with the following guidelines:

- (1) In the home or business of the complaining party; or
- (2) At the property line of the complaining party. Measurement using this method gives a 15dB allowance; or
- (3) When generated from the stereo system of a vehicle, and can be heard for more than 100 feet from the vehicle.

<u>Maximum Noise Level Limits</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Noise Levels</u>
<u>Residential</u>	<u>10:00 p.m.—7:00 a.m.</u>	<u>55 dBA</u>
	<u>7:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.</u>	<u>60 dBA</u>
<u>Commercial</u>	<u>10:00 p.m.—7:00 a.m.</u>	<u>60 dBA</u>
	<u>7:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.</u>	<u>65 dBA</u>
<u>Downtown Entertainment District</u>	<u>12:00 a.m.—7:00 a.m.</u>	<u>65 dBA</u>
	<u>7:00 a.m.—12:00 a.m.</u>	<u>70 dBA</u>
<u>Light industrial</u>	<u>10:00 p.m.—7:00 a.m.</u>	<u>65 dBA</u>
	<u>7:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m.</u>	<u>70 dBA</u>
<u>Heavy industrial</u>	<u>Anytime</u>	<u>75 dBA</u>

Sec. 30-4243. Exemptions.

(a) The following uses and activities shall be exempt from the noise regulations set forth in Section 30-41:

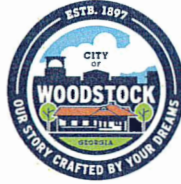
- (1) Noises of safety signals and warning devices.
- (2) Noises resulting from any authorized emergency vehicle, when responding to an emergency call.
- (3) Noises resulting from emergency work, which is work necessary to restore property to a safe condition, or work required to protect persons or property from an imminent exposure to danger.
- (4) Any City-sponsored event.

Attachment A4

- (b) After hours construction permit. Exemptions to the time restrictions set forth in Section 30-41(c)(4) can be approved administratively. Applications must be approved by the Chief of Police or his or her designee and the Building Official or his or her designee. Applicants for this permit must:
- (1) Demonstrate that being restricted to the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. would cause a hardship and would not have an adverse effect on community health, safety, or welfare.
 - (2) Include in application the specific dates and times the work is to be done. If there is deviation from these times, the applicant must re-submit the application.
 - (3) Notify residential properties within 750 feet of the location of work ten days before the work commences.
- (c) Applications for other exemptions should be filed with the City Clerk for approval by the Mayor and City Council and should state the time, date, organization and reason for the request.
- (1) An application for exemption may be submitted as part of a Special Event permit application, to be approved by the Mayor and City Council.
- (d) Downtown Entertainment District. Recognizing that the Downtown Entertainment District is a place of mixed uses and close proximity, the intent of this division is that recognition be made of the fact that people occupying premises in the Downtown Entertainment District must reasonably expect a greater likelihood of audible sounds from nearby locations than people residing in other districts. However, no person providing or permitting musical performances or other entertainment activities in the Downtown Entertainment District should do so in a manner which causes undue hardship or disturbance of persons making lawful use of nearby premises, and the standards set forth in this division are a reasonable measure for determining undue hardship or disturbance in the Downtown Entertainment District.

Sec. 30-4344. – Enforcement; penalties.

- (a) Enforcement of Section 30-41 shall be carried out by the City Police Department or Building Department.
- (b) Any person who violates Section 30-41 shall, upon conviction, be fined an amount not exceeding:
- (1) \$100.00 for the first offense;
 - (2) \$200.00 for the second offense;
 - (3) \$400.00 for the third offense;
 - (4) \$800.00 for the fourth offense; and
 - (5) The maximum \$1,000.00 for the fifth and each subsequent offense during a 12-month period.
- (c) A separate offense shall be deemed to have been committed each day during or upon which a violation occurs or is permitted to continue.



City Council Meeting
The Chambers at City Center
8534 Main Street
(Main) 770 592-6000 (Fax) 770 926-1375
<http://www.woodstockga.gov>

~MINUTES~

Monday, July 22, 2024

City Council ~ 7:00 PM

Attendees: Mayor Michael Caldwell, Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake, Council Member Warren Johnson, Council Member David Potts, Council Member Tracy Collins, Council Member Brian Wolfe, Council Member Rob Usher, City Manager Jeff Moon, Deputy City Manager Coty Thigpen, City Clerk/Administrative Services Director Robyn Adams, City Attorney Eldon Basham, Fire Chief Shane Dobson, Fire Marshal Bobby Stilson, Assistant Police Chief Brian Aligood, Police Captain Ron Sinfelt, Lieutenant Ron Hughes, Lieutenant Jeremy Johnson, Human Resources Director Mindy Nobis, Chief Information Officer Katy Leggett, IT Systems Administrator Tyler Harbeke, Community Development Director Tracy Albers, Deputy Community Development Director Duane Helton, City Engineer Janis Steinbrenner, Senior Planner Niwana Ray, City Planner Cameron Dunn, City Planner Hannah Menard, Parks and Recreation Director Brian Borden, Assistant to the City Manager Jamie Palmer Communications and Marketing Manager Stacy Brown.

ITEM 1) MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- Council Member Warren Johnson led the group in The Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Job Dalomba from Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church led the group in prayer.

ITEM 2) RECOGNITION OF GUESTS AND VISITORS

2.1) Promotion Recognitions (Police) (Administration)

- Mayor Michael Caldwell and Assistant Police Chief Brian Aligood announced the following promotion recognitions along with two transfers within the Police Department. Lieutenant Ron Hughes and Lieutenant Jeremy Johnson were in attendance.

Officer Paul Bennett to Corporal
 Officer Ledarrion Poole to Corporal
 Corporal Nikoulas Alleyne to Sergeant
 Corporal Justin Thorpe to Sergeant
 Sergeant Ron Hughes to Lieutenant
 Sergeant Jeremy Johnson to Lieutenant

Transfers:

Sergeant Dennis Hornes to New Training Sergeant
 Sergeant Matthew Davis to New Investigations Sergeant

ITEM 3) APPOINTMENTS/OATH OF OFFICE

ITEM 4) ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.1) Announcements (Administration)

Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake made the following announcements:

- On Saturday, August 10th, Who's Bad will bring their power-packed performance of Michael Jackson's catalog and ignite the crowd at Woodstock Summer Concert Series in the Northside Hospital-Cherokee Amphitheater. Full concert details are online at woodstockconcertseries.com.
- Starting Thursday, August 1st through Thursday, August 15th, shoppers in Downtown Woodstock get to Buy.Scratch.Save. with an exciting new shopping event, the Downtown Woodstock Summer Scratch Off Lottery.
- Simply visit one of the participating stores, make a purchase, and receive one Summer Scratch Off Card. Excellent discounts are found on every card. Shoppers are also entered into a raffle to win prizes; announced on Visit Woodstock GA social media the first week of September. More details at visitwoodstockga.com/scratchoff.

ITEM 5) PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEM 6) PUBLIC COMMENT

- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public comment portion of the meeting.
- City Manager Jeff Moon stated no one signed up to speak.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public comment portion of the meeting.

ITEM 7) CONSENT AGENDA

7.1) Approve MAJBA JE 17050 – ARC CDAP Housing Capacity Analysis & Gap Study (Community Development)

- Request for approval of this major budget amendment (MAJBA JE 17050) to establish the project budget and use Council Contingency to fund the required city match as presented.

7.2) Ratify Neese Road Parcel 14 – Southern Segment (Administration)

- Request for approval to ratify Neese Road Parcel 14 as part of the southern segment.

7.3) Approve Agreement with MCCi, LLC for JustFOIA Platform Upgrade (City Clerk)

- Request for approval of agreement to renew and upgrade the City's existing Open Records Request platform, JustFOIA.

7.4) Approve Arcadis Work Authorization 53 (On-Call Services) (Administration)

- Request for approval of Arcadis Work Authorization 53 for the annual renewal (June 30, 2024, to June 30, 2025) of on-call services for transportation design services.

7.5) Approve Pump Truck Purchase for Water and Sewer (Public Works)

- Request for approval to purchase a pump truck for Water and Sewer through statewide contract as approved in the FY 25 Budget.

7.6) Approve Acceptance of Property Donation (Park Place Lots 2, 48, 49) (Administration)

- Request for approval to accept donation of property to include lots 2, 48, and 49 located on Park Avenue in the Park Place subdivision. The property owner is donating the lots as listed to the city. The tax letter that was submitted to the Mayor and Council for approval is included in the agenda packet.

7.7) Approve Brookshire Pump Station No. 1 Easement Modification (Public Works)

- Request for approval of an easement modification for Brookshire Pump Station No. 1. As part of the pump station upgrade project, the attached survey reflects additional areas needed for the proposed modifications and also shows the relocation of the existing easement at lots 41 and 42 so their encroachment is eliminated.

7.8) Approve Acceptance of \$54,523.63 in Awarded Funds from FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant (City Clerk)

- Request for approval to accept the awarded funds in the amount of \$54,523.63 from FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant. The city must provide a 10% minimum match of \$5,452.37, for a total project cost of \$59,976.00. The funds will be used to install diesel exhaust direct capture systems on 6 fire trucks, which will eliminate carcinogenic exhaust emissions that permeate both fire stations and the environment.
- *Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake made a motion to approve Consent Agenda items 7.1-7.8.*
- *Council Member David Potts seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0)*

ITEM 8) PUBLIC HEARING

8.1) Consideration of V#207-24 – 201 Short Street (Public Hearing & Vote) (Community Development)

- Request for approval of variances to allow for the construction of a single-family home at 201 Short Street, subject to the staff-recommended conditions of approval. Planning Commission recommended approval subject to staff's recommendation and some modifications. City Planner Hannah Menard presented the item. The Applicants, Drew and Stacy Holley (of 411 Whisper Wind Lane), have applied for four Variances to allow for construction of a ± 4,000 SF single-family house at 201 Short Street. When the report for this case was prepared by staff, the Applicant had not provided staff with the square footage of the second floor. The square footage is an estimate generated by staff based on the materials the Applicant has provided. The proposed project would require approval of four Variances: - Encroachment into the 75' Impervious Setback - Encroachment into the 50' Stream Buffer - Locating garage along street façade - Not providing habitable space for the first 10' behind street façade The public hearing application is provided as Attachment A in the agenda packet. The Site Plan is provided as Attachment B in the agenda packet. Staff is recommending wholesale approval of some Variances and partial approval of others. The partial approval would allow for the Applicant to proceed with site plan review if the plans are modified to be consistent with the staff-recommended conditions of approval. As presented by the Applicant, the proposed project is not consistent with the LDO requirements, due to the proposed stream buffer encroachment and architectural variances requested. A wholesale review of the proposed project by the DPC would've resulted in a denial recommendation. However, staff understands that this site has a limited buildable area and a potential project on this site would require some relief. The staff recommendation represents a compromise between the relief needed to redevelop the site and the buffers that exist on the property. While no two lots in the neighborhood are identical, staff reviewed similar requests made for adjacent properties, detailed in Table 3 included in the agenda packet. Staff believes that allowing limited encroachment into the 75' Impervious Setback would allow the applicant the opportunity to modify their site plan and house layout to be more compliant with the LDO requirements, by bringing the house out of the 50' Undisturbed Buffer and minimizing additional encroachment. Public notice for the public hearing has been provided in accordance with State and local law. On or around May 16th, public notices were mailed to property owners within 500' and three parcels deep of the project site. The notice informed them of the public input meeting, Planning Commission public hearing, and City Council public hearing. Additionally, a public notice was published in the local newspaper and signs were posted on the property a minimum of 15 days but not more than 45 days prior to the public hearing. On Thursday, May 30, 2024, the Applicant hosted a public input meeting at the Chambers at City Center, in Woodstock, GA beginning at 7:00 PM. The informal meeting is intended to give the Applicant an opportunity to explain the proposal and to answer any questions the public might have about the project or public hearing process. The meeting was attended by several neighbors, including Short St and Mason Main residents, all of whom were supportive of the proposed development. The public input report is included in Attachment D in the agenda packet. DPC Recommendation: On June 5, 2024, the DPC met with the Applicant to learn more about the proposed project. Following this meeting, the DPC voted (5-1) to table the project until the Applicant could provide more information regarding the overall encroachment into the buffer areas. Staff met with the Applicant again on June 24, discussed possible site changes, and requested an exhibit that detailed how much the Applicant encroaches into each buffer, measured in square feet (Attachment B). During this meeting, the Applicant stated they were unwilling to change their desired site layout. On June 28, 2024, the Development Process Committee (DPC) met again to consider the proposed project. The DPC discussed the amount and type of encroachment into the buffers, removal of the existing structures, and potential right of way donation. While certain encroachments constitute genuine hardship, others

serve merely as a convenience to the Applicant in terms of site design. The DPC voted unanimously (6-0) to recommend partial approval of the project, with the following conditions: 1. Variance is granted to LDO Section 17.3(1) – Except that no new construction shall be allowed in the 50' buffer. Any areas in the 50' stream buffer disturbed for purpose of construction shall be restored with native plantings, to be reviewed and approved by City Staff during site plan review. 2. Variance is granted to LDO Section 17.3(2) – Except that construction in the 75' impervious setback shall not exceed 850 SF (combined habitable SF and garage SF). No pool or driveway encroachment is permitted in the 75' impervious setback. 3. All existing accessory structures shall be removed. a. Any portion of an existing accessory structure in the 25' stream buffer shall be removed by hand. 4. Variance is granted to LDO Section 7.722 Residential Treatment (2) and LDO Section 7.727(16) to allow garage to be part of the primary façade. 5. The Applicant shall donate 10' of Right of Way along the entire Short Street frontage for future sidewalk and roadway area improvements. With this recommendation, the Applicant would be able to proceed with site plan review if the plans are modified to be consistent with the staff-recommended conditions of approval. In not tying the recommended conditions to a specific site plan, the Applicant has more flexibility to modify the site plan and layout of the house. Should the Applicant wish to modify their site plan, they have 850 SF of allowed construction within the 75' Impervious Setback (both habitable and unhabitable SF) to work with. Staff decided on 850 SF based on the Site Plan provided by the 201 Short St Proposed Encroachment 82 9 Applicant, which shows the portion of the house and garage that encroaches into the 75' Setback, along with an estimate to cover the proposed covered patio. The Applicant would be able to disturb the 75' Impervious Setback and the 50' Stream Buffer to remove the existing structures and for grading and other construction activities. Planning Commission Recommendations: On July 11, 2024, the Planning Commission considered the proposed request. The link to the Planning Commission meeting can be found on the City's website. The Commission had questions about what was granted for other properties along Short St and Henderson St, as well as the total buildable area of the lot. The Planning Commission voted to recommend Council approval of the project, with staff's recommendation, and the following modifications, shown in red: 1. Variance is granted to LDO Chapter 17, Article III, Section (1) – Except that new construction in the 50' buffer shall be limited to driveway encroachment only. Any areas in the 50' stream buffer disturbed for purpose of construction shall be restored with native plantings, to be reviewed and approved by City Staff during site plan review. **All driveway encroachment in the 50' shall be pervious to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.** 2. Variance is granted to LDO Chapter 17, Article III, Section (2) – Except that construction in the 75' impervious setback shall not exceed 850 SF (combined habitable SF and garage SF). No pool encroachment is permitted in the 75' impervious setback. **Encroachment into the 75' impervious buffer for the purposes of the driveway may be impervious.** 3. All existing accessory structures shall be removed. a. Any portion of an existing accessory structure in the 25' stream buffer shall be removed by hand. **Portions of accessory structures outside of the 25' stream buffer may be removed by machine.** 4. Variance is granted to LDO Section 7.729 (19) as to the requirement for Residential Treatment that provides habitable space for a minimum of the first ten (10) feet in depth behind the street facade on primary frontages and LDO Section 7.727(16) to allow garage to be part of the primary façade. 5. The Applicant shall donate 10' of Right of Way along the entire Short Street frontage for future sidewalk and roadway area improvements. As modified by the Commission, the proposed may proceed as designed, with the exception being the pool area. Staff believes this represents a suitable compromise where the homeowner can improve the lot with a single-family residence and attached garage while concurrently protecting the community's natural environment. Staff recommends that the City Council approve four Variances to allow for the construction of a single-family house at 201 Short Street, subject to the staff-recommended conditions of approval (V#207-24). The Applicant Mr. Holley spoke introducing his family and explaining his situation. He stated they are long time residents and heavily involved in the community. Mr. Holley stated they have had a long-time dream to build a custom home in downtown Woodstock and were waiting on the right opportunity. They are not the current owners of the property included in the report and their purchase of this property is contingent on what is approved. He stated they have adjusted the site plan and also noted they were not interested in moving forward if the pool was not approved. They were asking for the option to save and re-build the existing wood frame 673 SF building (they referred to as a possible chicken coop) on survey as shown in the agenda packet but will not know until they are able to access the property and the building whether it will be salvageable. Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake asked if the building is a chicken coop. Mrs. Holley stated they believe it is as they saw chickens around it. Council Member David Potts stated he walked the property, and he does not believe the building in question is a chicken coop. Council Member Potts also stated the building would require inspection. Council Member Potts asked to see the slide showing what areas were to be pervious and impervious on the plan. Mr. and Mrs. Holley identified the areas and stated that while pervious surface was more costly, they were willing to put forth the additional cost to add the pervious surface as identified in the proposed site plan. Mayor Michael Caldwell asked Ms. Menard to identify the impervious portion. Ms. Menard stated the staff recommendation and then showed what was added by the Planning Commission. Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake stated he would like

to know more about the building they referred to as the chicken coop and if it is in any way close to code. Community Development Director Tracy Albers stated it is speculative at best on whether the building is an actual chicken coop and stated there were no permits issued for that building or that portion of the property on record. Ms. Albers stated that staff contacted the EPD during the review process of this case, and they informed staff that any work done to this structure within the 25-foot stream buffer would need to be restored and should be done by hand. Mayor Pro Tem Ake stated he walked the site, and it was heavily impacted. Council Member David Potts agreed with Mayor Pro Tem Ake's statement regarding the current state of the property. He stated the stream bed was mostly dry at the time of his site visit and appeared to be a runoff stream bed. Council Member Potts stated he is leaning towards approval of the proposal.

- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public hearing portion for the item.
- City Attorney Eldon Basham stated no one signed up to speak on this item.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public hearing portion for this item.
- *Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake made a motion to approve item 8.1 allowing the home and pool to be built per the plan and the accessory units need to be removed. Planning Commission Conditions 3, 4, and 5 approved as written. The portion of the driveway within the 75-foot buffer can be impervious and the portion within the 50-foot buffer must be pervious.*
- *Council Member Brian Wolfe amended the motion to approve the entire driveway to be impervious.*
- *Council Member David Potts seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

8.2) Consideration of Z#154-24 – Vista Ridge Subdivision (Public Hearing & Vote) (Community Development)

- Request for approval of a variance and condition amendment for the previously approved residential subdivision generally located on Arnold Mill Road, west of Arnold Mill Elementary School, now known as Vista Ridge. The Planning Commission recommended approval in accordance with staff's recommendation. City Planner Hannah Menard presented the item. The Applicant, J. Ethan Underwood, on behalf of Toll Southeast LP Company, submitted an application for a Variance and Condition Amendment to case A#098-18. The Variance would further reduce front setbacks for certain lots within the existing single-family subdivision. The Condition Amendment requested would alter Condition #5 from the original zoning case. The original request applied to 20 lots. Over time, this has been reduced from 20 lots to 11 lots – eight lots on the north side of Arnold Mill Road and three on the south side. Table 1 included in the agenda packet provides general property information for the project site and surrounding land uses. Additional information regarding the proposed project can be found in the public hearing application, provided as Attachment A in the agenda packet. When the Applicant initially met with staff, they inquired about the Administrative Variance process for reducing the front setbacks; however, the project is not eligible for an AV because the original zoning on the property included setback relief. As such, any additional setback relief would require a Condition Amendment and Variance request. In the subject request, the Applicant would further reduce the front setback from 20 feet to 15 feet on eleven lots (Lots 150-157, 66, 52, and 51), indicated on the site plan in gray. Of those eleven lots, eight are located north of Arnold Mill Rd, and three are located south of Arnold Mill. The homes on the north side of Arnold Mill are intended to have larger lots with larger products, while the homes on the south side of Arnold Mill are intended to have smaller lots, with smaller products. Condition #5 on the original zoning case required the lots on the north side to be an average of 12,919 SF to 14,588 SF with a house product of 2,200 SF. The homes on the south side were required to have an average lot size of 7,457 SF with a house product of 1,600 SF. The averages are shown on Exhibit C of that ordinance. The Applicant stated that the proposed reduction in front setback would pull the homes closer to the street and would allow the product to fit on the lot absent changes to size or scale. The Applicant's Statement of Intent, which explains their variance request, can be found in Attachment C included in the agenda packet. Public notice for the public hearing has been provided in accordance with State and local law. On or around February 12th, public notices were mailed to property owners within 500' and three parcels deep of the project site. The notice informed them of the public input meeting, Planning Commission public hearing, and City Council public hearing. Additionally, a public notice was published in the local newspaper and signs were posted on the property a minimum of 15 days but not more than 45 days prior to the public hearing. On Tuesday, February 27, 2024, the Applicant hosted a public input meeting at the Cherokee County Recreation

Center, in Woodstock, GA beginning at 7:00 PM. The informal meeting is intended to give the Applicant an opportunity to explain the proposal and to answer any questions the public might have about the project or public hearing process. The meeting had no attendees. The public input package is attached as Attachment E included in the agenda packet. DPC Recommendation: On March 6, 2024, the Applicant met with the Development Process Committee (DPC) to discuss the proposed Variance and Condition Amendment. In the week leading up to DPC, the Applicant reached out to staff to adjust what lots the request would affect, those lots were discussed during the DPC meeting. Following the meeting, the Applicant tabled their request to the June public hearing schedule. During the postponement period, the Applicant provided staff with additional materials, including an updated site plan that identified additional lot widths and setback specifications. On May 8, 2024, the DPC met to consider the proposed project. With the additional information, staff believed that the impacts associated with further setback reduction would be absorbed by the community, and not impact neighboring subdivisions. The overall unit count, lot configuration, and circulation of the neighborhood would not change with the requested relief. Additionally, the Applicant has limited the request to just the lots which require it, instead of a blanket relief from the requirement. At this meeting, staff voted unanimously (6-0) to recommend approval of the Condition Amendment and Variance request, with the added condition that a minimum driveway length of 20 feet is provided for these lots. Condition #5 from case A#098-18 is below, with the recommended amendment highlighted in red. Delete Condition #5 in its entirety and replace with the following: Setbacks/Lots. a) Lots shall be developed according to the dimensional standards, including lot widths and average lot sizes within each area labeled on Exhibit "C". Lots 230-242 shall remain a minimum of ninety-five (95) feet in width; b) Setbacks for the development shall be as follows: 1) **Front building setback reduced from 25 feet to 15 feet for lots 51-52, 66, 84-94, 150-157, and 172. For these lots, a minimum driveway length of 20 feet shall be provided, as measured from back of sidewalk to garage door;** 2) Front setback reduced from 25 feet to 20 feet for all remaining lots; 3) Side building setback reduced from 10 feet to 5 feet; 4) Minimum rear building setback is increased from 15 feet to 20 feet. **Planning** Commission Recommendation: On June 6, 2024, the Planning Commission considered the proposed request. The link to the Planning Commission meeting can be found on the City's website. At the June meeting, the Commissioners had questions about the covered patios proposed for the homes (labeled as "optional extended outdoor living space" on the Site Plan) and 114.8 concerns that the Applicant may be able to fit a home product on some of the lots without needing the Variance request. The Planning Commission voted 5-1 to table the request and directed the Applicant to revisit their application and include only the minimum necessary lots in their request. The Planning Commission requested they include only the lots where they can't meet the setback and are not able to reduce the minimum heated square footage. Following that meeting, the Applicant revised their request to include only the eleven lots discussed in this report. On July 11, 2024, the Planning Commission considered the proposed request again. The link to the Planning Commission meeting can be found on the City's website. At the July meeting, the Planning Commission voted 3-1 to recommend approval for the proposed request, subject to Staff's recommendation with the removal of lots 172 and 84-91 from the request. The Planning Commission directed Staff and the Applicant to confirm the continued need for the Air Acres required setback prior to the City Council meeting. Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the City Council approve a Variance and Condition Amendment (Z#154-24) for the previously approved residential subdivision generally located on Arnold Mill Road, west of Arnold Mill Elementary School, now known as Vista Ridge (A#098-18). Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake stated when considering whether this is a hardship or not, he struggles when the property has been carved up into this shape and not something that was previously done and wanted to know how staff viewed it. Ms. Menard stated the applicant tonight is not the same applicant that subdivided the property, and the current applicant has done their best to fit the lots. City Manager Jeff Moon stated some of the staff had a discussion that with the uniqueness of the 100-foot buffer on the rear of the properties, if they needed to release it to bring it internal to their own subdivision and the residents had not bought there yet, they would buy knowing that the variance had been granted, moving it closer to the road and preserving the safety buffer zone to the rear of the property. A representative for the applicant, Bryceson Mercer with Miles Hansford, LLC, spoke going over the change in condition they worked with staff on and showed the site plan and explained the hardship. He showed what a typical lot layout would look like and renderings of the two products that would fit on those lots. Council Member David Potts asked the applicant representative whether they were looking to build that house only on those few lots. He stated his concern was having the same plan built duplicated too many times throughout the subdivision. Mr. Mercer stated that while the two shown products were the only two that would fit on the lots discussed, they would like the flexibility to offer all products (including the two shown) on any lot throughout the subdivision. Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake stated when he viewed the Vista Ridge website, it showed some of the lots discussed were showing as available and some were showing as already sold. He asked if those lots were south of Arnold Mill. Mr. Mercer stated the Heritage and Hillside Collection were north of Arnold Mill showing lots 150-157 and confirmed some were already sold. Council Member Warren Johnson said he has a concern because this is something that comes up more frequently where the developer

reduces the lot sizes and then the builder wants to reduce them even further. Council Member Johnson stated while he understands the hardship, he does not want to see this continue to happen, so he plans to deny. Council Member David Potts stated he does not feel having too many of the same product throughout the subdivision would be appealing. Council Member Rob Usher stated he places a high priority on safety and does not have a problem with the request. Mayor Michael Caldwell stated he agrees with Council Member Johnson and stated that principally what Mayor Pro Tem Ake said in regard to the homeowners who have already purchased property makes perfect sense to him. Mayor Caldwell then asked Mayor Pro Tem Ake if practically they expect the two smallest models along all 8 lots. Mayor Pro Tem Ake stated practically a company that is designed to build and sell homes can figure out how to make them look visually attractive in a manner that is going to make them sell and they can figure out additional models that can fit on these sites that were previously improved before they purchased it.

- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public hearing portion for the item.
- City Attorney Eldon Basham stated no one signed up to speak on this item.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public hearing portion for this item.
- *Council Member Warren Johnson made a motion to deny item 8.2.*
- *Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake seconded the motion.*
- *Motion to Deny Fails/Opposed (2-4) Council Members David Potts, Tracy Collins, Brian Wolfe, and Rob Usher opposed the motion to deny.*
- *Council Member David Potts made a motion to approve item 8.2 with Staff and Planning Commission Recommendations.*
- *Council Member Rob Usher seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (4-2), Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake and Council Member Warren Johnson opposed.*

8.3) Consideration of Z#155-24 – Traton Homes Addition (Public Hearing & Vote) (Community Development)

- Request for approval of a Variance, Rezoning, and a Condition Amendment to allow for the addition of four single-family detached lots to the already approved Winsome Park subdivision, subject to the staff-recommended conditions of approval. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the proposed project. City Planner Cameron Dunn presented the item. The Applicant, Parks Huff for Traton Homes, LLC, has submitted a request for Variance, Rezoning, and a Condition Amendment to add a portion of an adjacent outparcel to the Winsome Park subdivision to construct four additional units. Winsome Park is zoned R-4 (Modern Medium Density Residential), and the requested zoning designation of the outparcel is also R4. Variances are being sought to allow a decreased minimum lot size and to increase the density of the already approved subdivision. The Condition Amendment is required to increase the unit cap for this development from 49 units to 53 units. Table 1 included in the agenda packet provides general information for the Project site and surrounding land uses. In September of 2023, a site plan application was approved for Winsome Park and LDPs were issued. In May of 2024, a final plat was approved for the subdivision. Six building permits have been issued for the site (5 market homes, 1 model home). The subject request is three-fold. The Applicant is requesting to rezone the 0.67-acre parcel to R-4. This would allow the Applicant to subdivide 0.23 acres of the subject property to add it to the Winsome Park development as it builds out. The remainder of the subject property (0.44 acres), which is improved with a single-family detached home, would remain as-is if rezoned. Secondly, the Applicant is requesting Variances to both 183 Page 3 decrease the minimum lot size to 3,500 SF and increase the density of the development to 5.3 dwelling units per acre, similar to the previously approved zoning case for the site. Third, the Applicant is requesting to change the existing Zoning Conditions for the site to amend the cap of 49 single-family detached homes to 53 single-family detached homes. Figure 1 included in the agenda packet details the proposed layout of the site with the four single-family homes added to the development. The area proposed to be added to the subdivision is shown outlined in red. The site plan is also included as Attachment C included in the agenda packet. If recommended for approval, the Applicant would present updated site plan and plat submittals to the City for review and approval. Said submittals should not halt the work currently being done of the subdivision given that individual lots have already been platted. Public input for this hearing has been provided in accordance with State and local law.

On or around May 2, 2024, public notices were mailed to property owners within 500' of the project site. The notice informed them of the public input meeting, Planning Commission public hearing date, and the City Council public hearing date. Additionally, a public notice was published in the Cherokee Tribune at least 45 days prior to the public hearing. On May 16, 2024, the Applicant hosted a public input meeting at the Chambers at City Center, located at 8534 Main Street, beginning on or around 7pm. The informal meeting is intended to give the Applicant and City staff an opportunity to explain the proposal and to answer any questions about the project or the public hearing process. There were no attendants at the meeting. The public input report from this meeting is provided as Attachment E included in the agenda packet. DPC Recommendation: The Development Process Committee (DPC) met on June 19, 2024, to discuss and vote on this case. At this meeting, the DPC voted unanimously (7-0) to recommend approval of the Applicant's request to rezone the described portion of the subject property to R-4, subject to the below conditions of approval. The conditions of approval are identical to those from the original zoning case (Z#147-21), with minor changes. The **changes are shown in bold** lettering. The proposed Ordinance, which details these conditions, can be found as Attachment E. Proposed Conditions of Approval 1. The development shall have a shared driveway with the Culver's properties, designed as shown on the concept plan (or similar plan agreed to by the parties and the City), which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C", and made a part hereof by reference. A development agreement including Culver's agreement and participation shall be completed prior to site plan submittal. If such an agreement cannot be reached, the case shall be returned to DPC for a new recommendation and shall be heard again by the Planning Commission and the City Council, which may approve a condition amendment. 2. The development shall be allowed to have **53 single family detached units**, and a Variance shall be granted to allow a minimum lot size of 3,500 square feet. 3. Variance to LDO Sec. 15.305 is granted to allow the development to have over 30 units without a second entrance and without sprinklers, in accordance with the change in the Georgia State Amendments. 4. Zoning buffers shall be applied as follows: a. The developer is granted permission to clear, grade, and replant the zoning buffers. b. Replanting in the buffers shall consist of two rows of evergreen trees and a 6-foot privacy fence along the entire buffer except the narrow portion of land north of the out-lot. Final buffer plan shall be approved by staff. c. Screening shall be provided from the Highway 92 right of way and Culver's parking/pond so that, when the landscaping is at maturity, the development 186 Page 6 is not visible from Highway 92 or from the Culver's development, including between the proposed street and the stormwater pond and around the termination of the proposed street at the southern end of the development. The design of this area is to be approved by the DPC. 5. Units 1-5 and **Units 50-53** shall be screened from Neese Road with a fence and landscaping. The side of lot 1, adjacent to the roadway, shall also be heavily screened from Neese Road with a fence and landscaping. The design of these areas is to be approved by DPC. 6. The dog park shown on Exhibit "C" shall be conveyed and maintained by the Homeowner's association, and shall have a fence, dog station, benches, signage, trash can, and water. The entry gate shall be interior to the subdivision and accessible to residents only. 7. Elevations shall be as approved by DPC, with some or all of the following features: a. Front facades shall have majority brick and stone frontages with a variety of colors and accents. b. There shall be a variety of floor plans. c. There shall be at least 4 different façade designs with a variety of colors and accents. 8. There shall be a minimum 20-foot driveway length between each front façade and sidewalk. 9. A minimum of **14 guest parking spaces** shall be required. 10. Rental units shall be restricted to 10%, and there shall be a prohibition on short-term rentals, memorialized in the HOA covenants. 11. Sales documents for any homes that have a patio which encroaches into the rear setback shall include a notice that these patios cannot be covered in the future. The same shall be memorialized in the HOA covenants. 12. The drainage in the northwest corner of the subject property shall be diverted to the stormwater management facility. The plan shall be to the satisfaction of the Public Works Director. Planning Commission Recommendation: On July 11, 2024, the Planning Commission considered the proposed project as a part of a noticed public hearing. A link to the Planning Commission meeting can be found here: At this public hearing, the Planning Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to recommend approval of the case consistent with staff recommended conditions of approval. Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the City Council approve a Variance, Rezoning, and Condition Amendment to allow for the addition of four single-family detached lots to the approved Winsome Park subdivision, subject to the staff-recommended conditions of approval. City Attorney Eldon Basham stated for the record that his firm has represented Traton Homes for a number of years; however, he was not representing them on this case. Parks Huff, the representative on behalf of the applicant Traton Homes spoke. He stated he also represents the property owner. Mr. Huff reviewed what was discussed during the presentation and that if this was not granted now, Council would more than likely see it come forth again in the future. He stated Traton is a very reputable home builder and all they are doing is matching the conditions that were originally placed. He stated they had also reached out to residents in the surrounding subdivision and those residents were fine with the request. Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake stated he thinks this will benefit the neighbors and the city.

- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public hearing portion for the item.
- City Attorney Eldon Basham stated no one signed up to speak on this item.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public hearing portion for this item.
- *Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake made a motion to approve item 8.3 with Staff and Planning Commission Recommendations.*
- *Council Member David Potts seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

8.4) Consideration of ZTA#156-24 Outlet Shoppes EV Stations (Public Hearing & Vote) (Community Development)

- Request to deny a condition amendment and sign waiver request for the purpose of constructing electric vehicle charging stations that function as advertising boards at 915 Ridgewalk Parkway. Planning Commission recommended denial of the proposed project. City Planner Cameron Dunn presented the item. The Applicant, Raquel Clement for Volta Charging, on behalf of the Outlet Shoppes of Atlanta, has submitted a Condition Amendment and Sign Waiver request for the property at 915 Ridgewalk Parkway to allow for the construction of four EV charging stations that function as advertising boards. The property is ±38.48 acres and is owned by the Outlet Shoppes of Atlanta. Table 1 included in the agenda packet provides general information for the project site and surrounding land uses. The proposed project would allow for the construction of four Level 2 charging stations on the project site. According to the site plan, the proposed chargers would be placed within two existing landscape bulb outs on the eastern and western sides of the outlet mall (Attachment B in the agenda packet). The charging stations would draw their electricity from existing electrical facilities of the outlet mall. The charging station does not have a digital user interface to assist with the charging process. Customers use a phone application to assist with charging; instructions for downloading and using the application are shown on the side panel of the station. Each station has two advertising screens (48" X 27" or 18 SF per station) with pre-equipped dimmers to adjust for brightness. The content change rate is once every three minutes, or 20 times per hour. The use of the Level 2 charging station is free. Volta does offer a Level 3 charging station, but it charges users an idle fee after a certain amount of time spent at the station after charging is complete. These chargers also deliver advertising via electronic sign. To accommodate the proposed project, a sign waiver is needed. LDO Section 6.4.8 disallows electronic signs except along commercially zoned properties fronting Highway 92 within the Parkway Overlay District and must be at least 200 linear feet from another electronic sign. Additionally, a condition amendment is needed to delete/modify the condition attached to Variance request number 8 of V#101-11 to allow for LED signage onsite. EV charging stations are an allowable accessory use citywide; however, it is the incorporation of two digital advertising screens into the charging station that triggers the need for relief by Council. Public input for the public hearing has been provided in accordance with State and local law. On or around June 25, 2024, public notices were mailed to property owners within 500' of the project site. The notice informed them of the public input meeting, Planning Commission public hearing, and City Council public hearing. Additionally, a public notice was published in the Cherokee Tribune at least 45 days prior to the public hearing. On July 3, 2024, the Applicant hosted a public input meeting at the Cherokee County Recreation and Parks Facility, located at 7545 Main Street, beginning on or around 7:00pm. This informal meeting is intended to give the Applicant and City staff an opportunity to explain the proposal and to answer any questions the public might have about the project or public hearing process. There were two residents at the public input meeting. The public input meeting report can be found as Attachment C in the agenda packet. DPC Recommendation: The Development Process Committee met on June 19, 2024, to discuss and vote on the proposed project. At this meeting, the DPC voted unanimously (7-0) to recommend denial of the Condition Amendment and Sign Waiver requested. The Applicant's request was viewed as not only deviating greatly from the existing sign code, but also as going against both the intent of the zoning conditions for the parcel and the limits that Council approved by passing the EV Ordinance. The prevailing opinion amongst staff was that the use of an EV charger was acceptable both in the location presented and on the subject property, but that the incorporation of electronic signage for delivering advertising to passersby (and not as a means of facilitating charging between the consumer and the provider) was unacceptable. Planning Commission Recommendation: On July 11, 2024, the

Planning Commission considered the proposed project as a part of a noticed public hearing. A link to the Planning Commission meeting can be found here: At this public hearing, the Planning Commission voted unanimously (4-0) to recommend City Council denial of the entitlements requested. Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the City Council deny a Condition Amendment and Sign Waiver request for the purpose of constructing electric vehicle charging stations that function as advertising boards at 915 Ridgewalk Parkway. Council Member Rob Usher asked the question, assuming Council moves forward with the denial, are there plans to place these in a different location. Mr. Dunn stated Volta Charging is under contract with the Outlet Shoppes; therefore, he cannot answer that question, but will let the applicant speak to that. The applicant, Raquel Clement spoke and stated as per their contract with the Outlet Shoppes, they were to install four L2 chargers. The previous project manager installed two of the four, so she is working to finalize the last two. Ms. Clement stated she would address the question about changing the type of chargers. Council Member Rob Usher clarified he was asking about changing the location of the chargers and not the type. Ms. Clement stated they cannot change the location without changing the type of charger as a different type of charger would be more costly and therefore, they would have to renegotiate the contract with the Outlet Shoppes. Ms. Clements addressed the safety concern stating her company has not had any issues with documented accidents at other locations where these types of chargers have been installed. She stated they are strategically placed at an angle so only walking pedestrians would see them and not those in vehicles. The construction manager from Volta reiterated these were placed at an angle and would not be visible to any right-a-way or from the street. He also stated there is currently a lack of chargers in the area and showed a map. Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake asked if there was anything other than angling the charger that could be done to restrict it from distracting drivers. He asked if any type of screen protector could be added. Ms. Clement stated they could dim the lighting on the chargers but other than that and the angling, nothing further could be done. Mayor Pro Tem Ake stated the points made by staff on the location and the limits of what can be waived from the LDO were well made and have merit.

- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public hearing portion for the item.
- City Attorney Eldon Basham stated no one signed up to speak on this item.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public hearing portion for this item.
- *Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake made a motion to deny item 8.4.*
- *Council Member Warren Johnson seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

8.5) Consideration of ZTA#013-24 – Updates to LDO Chapters 3 & 15 (Public Hearing & Vote) (Community Development)

- Request for approval of the proposed Zone Text Amendment would that update Chapters 3 and 15 of the Land Development Ordinance to include the site plan checklist, street design and improvement standards, and infrastructure requirements had by the Public Works Department. Staff and Planning Commission recommend approval with minor modifications to the conditions of approval regarding the thresholds required for preparation of a traffic study. City Engineer Janis Steinbrenner presented the item. Proposed are amendments to Chapter III – Land Development Standards and Chapter XV – Street, Sidewalk, Trail, and Additional Infrastructure Standards. These amendments are needed to bring these code sections up to date with current standards and previously updated code sections in other chapters as well as add a code section regarding utility locations within the right-of-way. Chapter III – Update Section 3.403, a checklist for site plan submittals, to match the updates proposed in Chapter 15. Chapter XV – Update Article II – Street Design and Improvement Standards: • Correct old and outdated cross-references • Update the minimum criteria requiring a traffic study - reduction from 200 lot to 50 lot minimum • Update reference from specific AASHTO Green Book to “latest edition” • Remove specific design criteria that may change with future updates to the AASHTO Green Book • Add references to Article III regarding maximum grades of fire access roads • Update Ch 13 and 14 references for storm drainage • Update construction section – pipe updates, referenced GDOT Standards, add new details to Appendix A for curb and gutter, pavement, and crosswalks • Add references to downtown standards where needed – sidewalks, signs, etc • Add Section 15.601 to Article VI regarding requirements for water meter locations Text Amendments were presented to Planning Commission on July 11, 2024. The Commissioners were concerned with the change to the minimum criteria requiring a traffic study and requested more time for staff to research this item.

Planning Commission voted 4-0 to remove and table this specific item (Section 15.200.3.a.3) from the text amendment and approve the rest of the amendments as presented. Exhibit B has been updated to reflect the original code language in the tabled section. Draft ordinance included in the agenda packet.

- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public hearing portion for the item.
- City Attorney Eldon Basham stated no one signed up to speak on this item.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public hearing portion for this item.
- *Council Member Rob Usher made a motion to approve item 8.5 with Staff and Planning Commission Recommendations tabling the item per the PC recommendations in Section 15.200.3.a.3 until further research is completed.*
- *Council Member Tracy Collins seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

8.6) Consideration of Zoning Map Amendment – July 2024 (Public Hearing & Vote) (Community Development)

- The proposed project would update the City of Woodstock Zoning Map to reflect any Annexations and/or Zone Changes that have occurred since the last Zoning Map Adoption. Other changes include general quality control intended to match current Cherokee County parcel boundaries. Staff and Planning Commission recommended approval of the update. Senior Planner Niwana Ray presented the item. In accordance with Land Development Ordinance Chapter XI, Article II, Section V (Official Woodstock Zoning Map), the Official Zoning Map will be amended to reflect the zoning changes and annexations that have been approved since the last map update adopted on January 22, 2024. The table included in the summary section of the report, which is included in the agenda packet, outlines the changes to the Zoning Map produced by zoning action.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public hearing portion for the item.
- City Attorney Eldon Basham stated no one signed up to speak on this item.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public hearing portion for this item.
- *Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake made a motion to approve item 8.6.*
- *Council Member David Potts seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

8.7) Consideration of Approval of Resolution #1092-2024 Adopting Amendment of Fee Schedule Chapter 7 Water and Sewer Rates (Public Hearing & Vote) (City Clerk)

- Request for approval of Resolution #1092-2024 to formally adopt revisions to the Fee Schedule Chapter 7 Water and Sewer Rates Sections 7.1.1, 7.1.3, 7.1.4 as approved in the FY 2025 Budget on June 10, 2024. City Clerk & Administrative Services Director Robyn Adams presented the item. The changes are outlined and included as part of the agenda packet and shown in red. These changes will go into effect immediately upon Council's approval. Council Member Brian Wolfe asked if these increased rates would be retroactive dating back to when they were approved as part of the FY 2025 Budget in June. Ms. Adams stated they would not be retroactive back to that date but would go into effect tonight upon Council approval.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell opened the public hearing portion for the item.
- City Attorney Eldon Basham stated no one signed up to speak on this item.
- Mayor Michael Caldwell closed the public hearing portion for this item.

- *Council Member Rob Usher made a motion to approve item 8.7.*
- *Council Member Brian Wolfe seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

ITEM 9) NEW BUSINESS

9.1) Consideration of Approval of Resolution No. 1041-2024 for Condemnation of Parcel 14 (Neese Road Improvements – Southern Segment (Administration))

- Request for approval of Resolution No. 1041-2024. A resolution and order of the City of Woodstock, Georgia authorizing condemnation of a tract of land comprised of 1938.63 square feet of fee simple right-of-way, 1697.75 square feet of temporary construction easement, and 1498.00 square feet of temporary driveway easement, in land lot 1133, 15th District, Cherokee County, Georgia by declaration of taking method pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 32-3-4 Et Seq. City Attorney Eldon Basham stated this item can be removed from the table. He stated it was tabled at the last meeting and they were able to close the transaction shortly after that date.
- *Council Member Rob Usher made a motion to remove item 9.1 from the table.*
- *Council Member Brian Wolfe seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

9.2) Consideration of Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11 (Special Events) – Permitting for Public Fireworks Displays (1st Reading) (Fire)

- Request to consider introduction of an ordinance to amend Chapter 11, Section 11-8. The amendment would modify permit requirements for public fireworks displays to reflect changes in state law pursuant to Georgia Senate Bill 417. A draft Ordinance is provided as Attachment A and the redline code text is provided as Attachment B (both included in the agenda packet). Fire Marshal Bobby Stilson presented the item. Council Member Rob Usher asked how fireworks display is defined. Mr. Stilson responded stating that according to the State Fire Marshal's office, a display is defined as carrying out a fireworks show where it has been advertised. Also, if an individual advertises fireworks or holds a fireworks show on their property and has anyone other than family members attend, it is considered a display. City Attorney Eldon Basham stated it is defined in the state code and is very complex. Mr. Stilson stated the intent was when someone brings in people outside their family, it becomes a safety liability. Mayor Michael Caldwell cited the language in Senate Bill 417 Public Exhibition or Display of Fireworks to provide further definition. "SECTION 3. 58) Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fire protection and safety, is 59) amended in Code Section 25-10-1, relating to definitions relative to regulation of fireworks, 60) by adding new paragraphs to subsection (a) to read as follows: 61) "(5.1) 'Fireworks or pyrotechnics exhibition or display before a proximate audience' 62) means any exhibition or display of fireworks, or any use of pyrotechnic special effects, 63) that occurs within a building or structure or before an audience closer to the pyrotechnic 64) devices than permitted by National Fire Protection Association Standard 1123, Code for 65) Fireworks Display, as adopted by the Safety Fire Commissioner; provided, however, that 66) such term shall not include the use of pyrotechnic special effects in television and motion 67) picture production when no audience is present." 68) "(8.1) 'Public exhibition or display of fireworks' means the use of pyrotechnics, display 69) fireworks, consumer fireworks, or any combination thereof for any purpose relating to S. B. 417 - 3 - 24 LC 39 4118 70) the amusement or entertainment of the public that does not occur within a building or 71) structure or before a proximate audience; provided, however, that such term shall not 72) include the private, personal use of consumer fireworks by the public."
- *Council Member Brian Wolfe made a motion to approve 1st Reading of item 9.2.*
- *Council Member Rob Usher seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*

9.3) Consideration of Potential Modifications to the Noise Ordinance (Community Development)

- Request for direction and feedback from Council on potential modifications to the Noise Ordinance by way of a PowerPoint presentation highlighting options for consideration. Community Development Director Tracy Albers presented the item. Ms. Albers introduced Chase Williams, an intern that has worked with the department over the course of the summer. The research and presentation is on the City Noise Ordinance and how it is administered and executed in the community along with recommendations on future changes to the ordinance. The ordinance was last updated in July of 2018; therefore, needs to be updated. The research and study included comparisons from similar cities and include data on residential, commercial, industrial, and mixed-use developments. The details of the presentation are available in the office of the Community Development Department. Staff has requested direction from Council so they can prepare a proposal of the modifications. Council Member David Potts asked if staff has had anyone test noise levels with a decibel meter. City Manager Jeff Moon stated yes, but it has been some time ago and it needs to be done again. Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake stated he has walked around downtown in the evening with a decibel meter for his own curiosity. He stated outside one local business his device measured 80 decibels at the street. He stated he is glad staff is addressing this and it is time for the city to take action on this matter. Council Member David Potts stated he has some concerns on the impact of noise levels as buildings go vertical and mentioned the concerts. City Manager Jeff Moon stated it will definitely have an impact and as far as the concerts go, they typically end around 10:00 or 10:30 p.m. unless there is a weather delay. City Manager Moon stated one item that Council could include in the modifications to help with noise levels requiring exterior speakers at those businesses that have them to be shut off when the business closes. Council Member David Potts stated there should be a certain timeframe specified that businesses must lower their volume. He also stated he likes taking the measure from the street level rather than from inside someone's home. Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake stated he thinks it should be measured at the right-of-way and possibly separate regulations set for the downtown entertainment district. He also stated midnight is a good cut off time. Council Member David Potts stated it could be required that a business must lower the decibels from 10 to midnight. City Manager Jeff Moon stated it is also important to be very clear on how complaints are addressed from a complainant outside the city limits as we have no jurisdiction to address those issues. Mayor Michael Caldwell stated he would like to see our regulations laid out in a format less complex than some of the comparable cities such as Smyrna. Council Member Warren Johnson stated he would like to study Smyrna's ordinance, and the issue is complex so may require more complexity within the ordinance. He stated he does like measuring from the right-of-way; however, mixed-use would need to be measured differently and regulations will have to be tailored according to use. Council Member Johnson stated he does like Council Member Pott's suggestion on requiring a lower decibel between the hours of 10:00 p.m. to midnight. City Manager Jeff Moon stated time can be provided to allow Council the time to study the details presented. Council Member Rob Usher asked if loud vehicles could be addressed as well. Mayor Caldwell stated he would like to see a draft ordinance at a future Work Session prior to a completed ordinance being finalized and brought forth for a vote.

ITEM 10) OLD BUSINESS**ITEM 11) MINUTES APPROVAL****11.1) Consideration of Approval to Adopt Council Meeting Minutes – July 8, 2024 (City Clerk)**

- Council Member Tracy Collins made a motion to approve item 11.1 adopting the minutes from the July 8th Council Meeting.*
- Council Member Brian Wolfe seconded the motion.*
- Motion carried (4-0) Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake and Council Member David Potts Abstained.*

11.2) Consideration of Approval to Adopt Council Work Session Minutes – July 15, 2024 (City Clerk)

- Council Member Tracy Collins made a motion to approve item 11.2 adopting the minutes from the July 15th Work Session.*
- Mayor Pro Tem Colin Ake seconded the motion.*
- Motion carried (6-0).*

ITEM 12) DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**12.1) Police Monthly Report (June 2024) (Police)**

12.2) Fire Monthly Report (June 2024) (Fire)

12.3) Community Development Hot Sheet (July 2024) (Community Development)

12.4) Parks and Recreation Monthly Report (June 2024) (Parks and Recreation)

12.5) EOM Monthly Report (June 2024) (Public Works)

12.6) Administrative Variances Report (January - June 2024) (Community Development)

12.7) Sign Waiver Report (January - June 2024) (Community Development)

12.8) Capital Projects Monthly Status Report (July 2024) (Administration)

ITEM 13) MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Mayor Michael Caldwell thanked Council for the attentive work tonight with the full agenda. He stated a group from the City of Woodstock, Ontario recently visited our city. Council had conceptually approved the idea of having a sister city and work on an agreement is being done with assistance from a teacher E.T. Booth Middle School. Mayor Caldwell stated the Consul General of Japan also visited the city and that he and a few key staff met with a delegation of around 15 people including those from the Japanese Consulate, the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and the Japanese American Business Council. The group also toured the city.

ITEM 14) CITY MANAGER STAFF COMMENTS

- City Manager Jeff Moon stated he does not have anything to report, and an Executive Session is not needed.

ITEM 15) EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL, LITIGATION, REAL ESTATE

ITEM 16) FINAL ADJOURNMENT

- *Council Member Rob Usher made a motion to adjourn.*
- *Council Member Tracy Collins seconded the motion.*
- *Motion carried (6-0).*



Michael Caldwell, Mayor

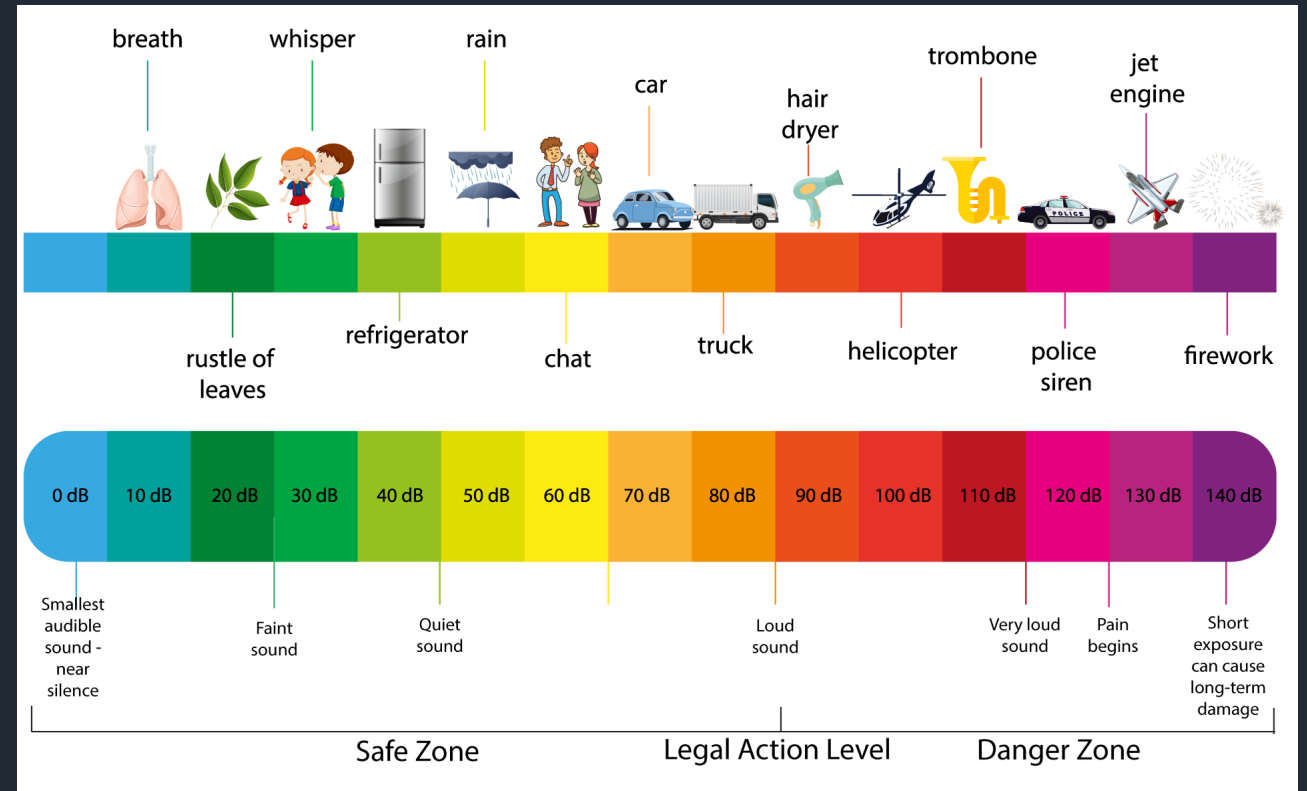


Robyn Adams, City Clerk

Conversation on Noise Ordinance

Chase Williams
City Council 7.22.24

- **Noise Ordinance is located within City Code**
 - Chapter 58 – Article II - Sections 39/40/41
 - 39 – Offenses
 - 40 – Exemptions
 - 41 – Enforcement/Penalties
- Ordinance last updated in 2016
- **Areas of Concern**
 - Location of Sound Measurement
 - Mixed-use buildings
 - Noise Level (decibels) Limits





Stationary source



Non-stationary source

- **Sound Measurement**
 - Stationary source: within the home or business of the complaining party
 - Non-stationary source: 100 feet from the noise
- **No mention of mixed-use buildings**

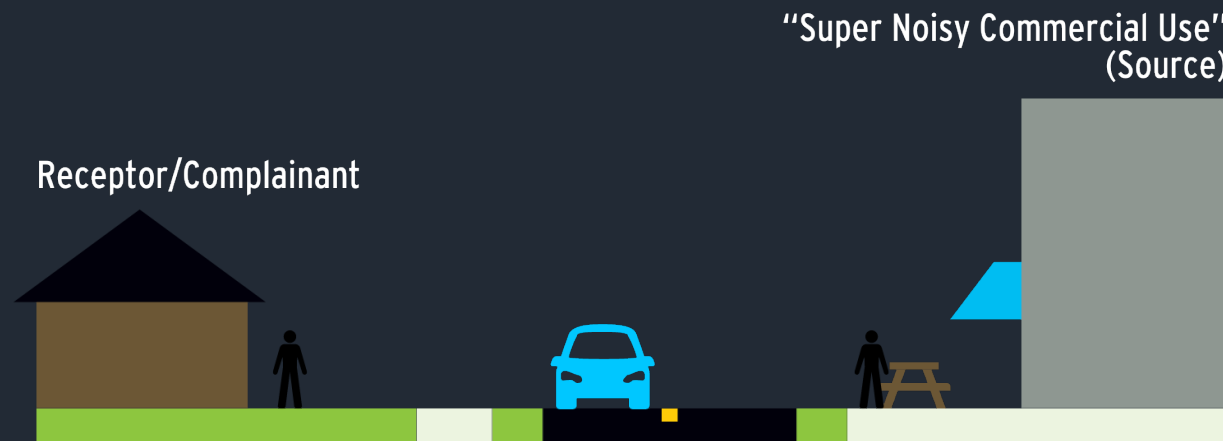
Decibel (dB) Limit

	Residential	Commercial	Light Industrial	Heavy Industrial
7 am - 10 pm ¹	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	75 dB(A)
10 pm - 7 am	55 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	

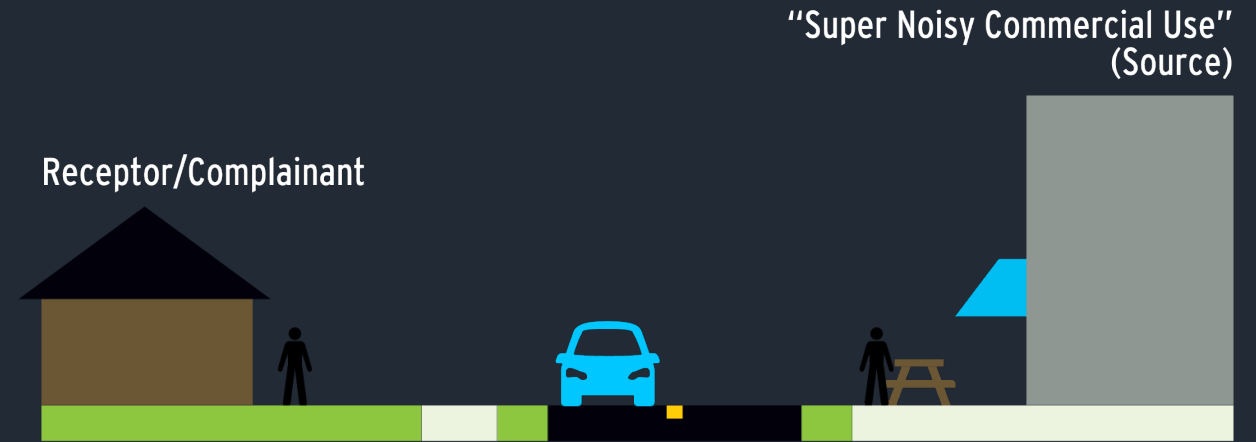
NOTE: Limits are for receiving end, not source

¹ 7 pm - 7 am limits apply to construction work and vehicle repair only; it is a hard cut off meaning no work allowed at these times

- Under current code, any sound complaint must be measured within the home or business of the complaining party.
 - This may lead to people trying to find ways to amplify the sound within their home (opening windows, changing what room they were in, etc.)
 - People are still able to hear uncomfortable sounds while outside, especially when they are positioned on the street next to a loud business
- For Example:



- The decibel limit is based on the location of the complaint
- Mixed use buildings do not have an official limit
 - No designation whether to use residential or commercial levels when responding to a complaint



- Here are some cities within Georgia that are similar to Woodstock in not only size and growth rate, but also in how compact and vibrant their downtown is
 - Alpharetta, Decatur, Duluth, Marietta, Roswell, Smyrna
- There are also similar cities that are outside of Georgia
 - Asheville NC, Greenville SC

Attachment C7

• Alpharetta

	Residential	Commercial	Multifamily	Industrial
7 am - 11 pm	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	55 dB(A)	70 dB(A)
11 pm - 7 am	55 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	45 dB(A)	

- Measurement occurs at or within the real property line of the complaining property

• Roswell

	Residential	Commercial	Industrial
7 am - 11 pm	70 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	70 dB(A)
11 pm - 7 am	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	

- Measurement occurs at or within the real property line of the complaining property

• Duluth

	Residential	Multifamily	Commercial	Industrial
7 am - 10 pm	60 dB(A)	50 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	75 dB(A)
10 pm - 7 am	55 dB(A)	45 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	

- Measurement occurs at or beyond the property line of the land use category from which the sound occurs.
- Multifamily measured in an adjacent dwelling
- For source: sound can not exceed limits by 15 dB(A) for all categories

Attachment C8

• Marietta

	Residential		Commercial		Industrial	
7 am - 11 pm	65 dB(A)	84 dB(C)	65 dB(A)	84 dB(C)	75 dB(A)	89 dB(C)
11 pm - 7 am	60 dB(A)	79 dB(C)	60 dB(A)	79 dB(C)		

- Measurement occurs at or within the real property line of the complaining property
- A-measurement is just the noise itself; c-measurement is the noise plus any ambient sounds

• Decatur

	Residential	Multifamily	Industrial	Commercial	
7 am - 10 pm	N/A	N/A	75 dB(A)	7 am - 11:59 pm	65 dB(A)
10 pm - 7 am	60 dB(A)	50 dB(A)		12 am - 6:59 am	60 dB(A)

- Measurement occurs at or beyond the property boundary of the property where the sound occurs
- Multifamily - measured within an adjacent dwelling
- For source: sound can not exceed limits by 15 dB(A) for all categories

Attachment C9

• Greenville, SC

	General, City-Wide	Central Business District
7am - 10pm	60 dB(A)	80 dB(A)
10pm - 7am	55 dB(A)	75 dB(A)

- Measurement is to be taken at the location on the premises where the noise is heard by any individual making a complaint
- Exceptions to measurement
 - Any readings on streets, sidewalks & public property in the CBD is to be made at least 3 feet away from the property where the noise is from, or 3 feet from the source if on public property
 - Any readings in parks & rec areas outside the CBD is made 10 feet away from location of noise

• Asheville, NC

	Central Business District	Commercial	Industrial
7am - 10pm	72 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)
10pm - 7am	67 dB(A)	57 dB(A)	65 dB(A)
(2am - 7am)	62 dB(A)	N/A	N/A

- Measurement is made on the property where the sound is heard, within a reasonable proximity of where the sound is heard by the complainant

- Smyrna

Source	Receptor								
	Residential		Commercial		Industrial		Mixed Use District		
	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 4am	4am - 7am
Residential	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	60 dB(A)
Commercial	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	65 dB(A)
Industrial	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	80 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	65 dB(A)
Mixed Use District	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	80 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	65 dB(A)

- Measurement occurs at either 40 feet or the real property line of the source premises to the real property line of the receptor premises

- Smyrna

Source	Receptor								
	Residential		Commercial		Industrial		Mixed Use District		
	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 4am	4am - 7am
Residential	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	60 dB(A)
Commercial	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	65 dB(A)
Industrial	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	80 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	65 dB(A)
Mixed Use District	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	80 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	65 dB(A)

- Measurement occurs at either 40 feet or the real property line of the source premises to the real property line of the receptor premises

- Smyrna

Source	Receptor								
	Residential		Commercial		Industrial		Mixed Use District		
	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 7am	7am - 11pm	11pm - 4am	4am - 7am
Residential	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	60 dB(A)
Commercial	65 dB(A)	60 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	65 dB(A)
Industrial	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	80 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	65 dB(A)
Mixed Use District	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	70 dB(A)	65 dB(A)	80 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	75 dB(A)	65 dB(A)

- Measurement occurs at either 40 feet or the real property line of the source premises to the real property line of the receptor premises

- Sound Measurement
 - Measure from the property line of the complaining party.
 - Adopt a measurement that occurs on the right of way that would measure the source of the sound
- Decibel Limits
 - Adopt a 15-decibel buffer/allowance for the source of the sound
 - Adopt a separate noise level category for the Entertainment District
 - Change the measurement to where the limit is based on the category for both the source and complaining location
- Mixed Use Buildings
 - Adopt an exact measurement standard for mixed use, whether that be commercial or residential
 - Separate category for mixed use buildings with limits being between the current residential/commercial limits
- Other Regulations
 - A specific cut-off for loud sounds
 - Adopt an additional 2 am to 7 am limit for entertainment district



Conversation on Noise Ordinance

Chase Williams
City Council 7.22.24

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Ron Shelby, Finance Department

ITEM TYPE: Presentation and Discussion Items

AGENDA SECTION: **PRESENTATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

SUBJECT: **2025 Tax Digest and Millage Rate Discussion**

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:
[Property Tax Year 2025 \(FY26\) Proposed Millage Rate Presentation Rev 08112025 RS.pdf](#)



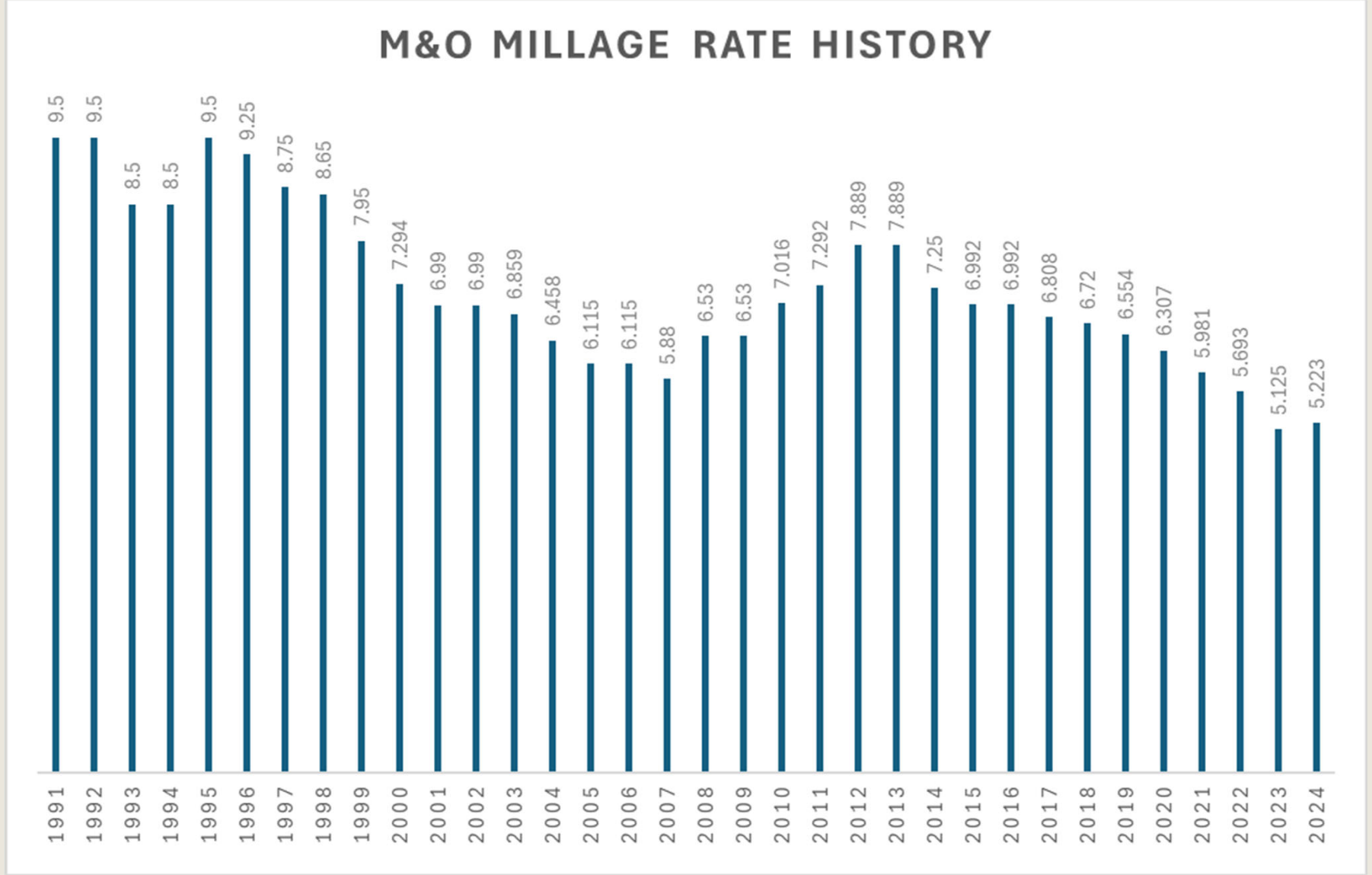
Public Hearing

August 26, 2025 – 7pm

FY 2026

2025 PROPERTY TAX
YEAR
MILLAGE RATE

City of Woodstock Millage Rate History 32 Years



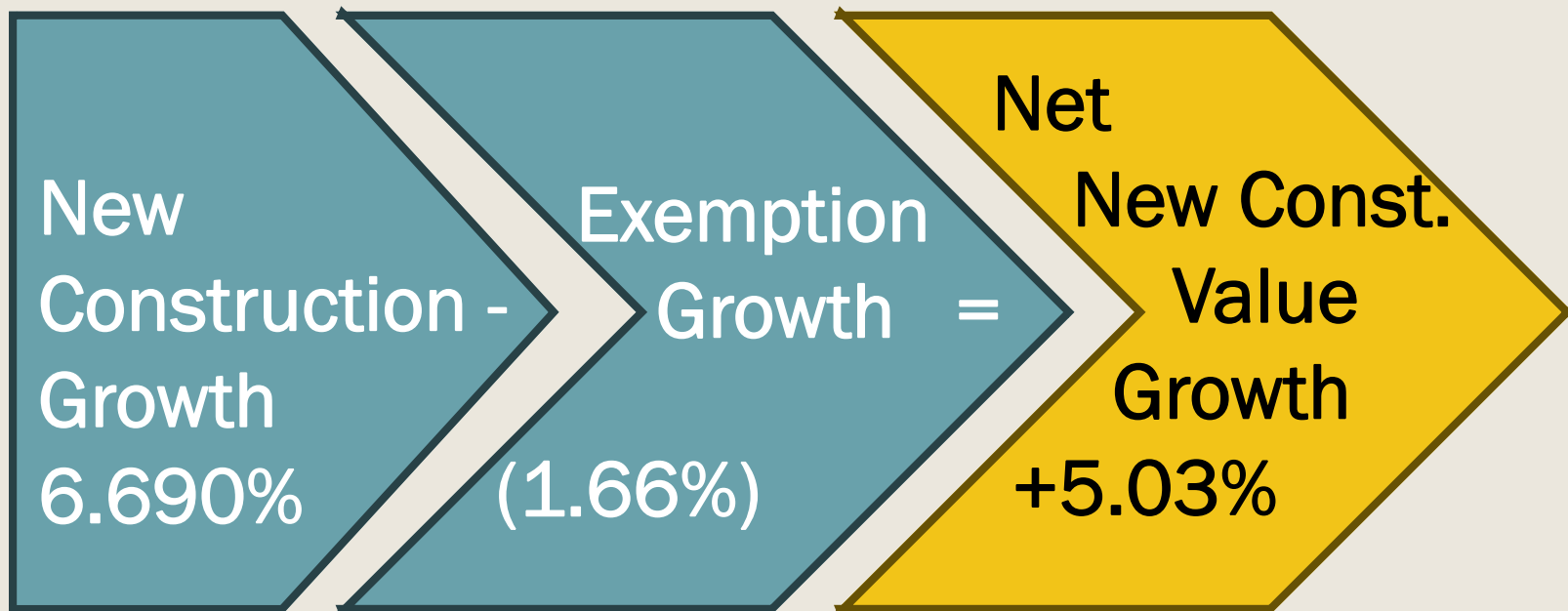
City of Woodstock

Millage Rate History

33 Years

1991	9.50	2000	7.294	2009	6.53	2018	6.720
1992	9.50	2001	6.99	2010	7.016	2019	6.554
1993	8.50	2002	6.99	2011	7.292	2020	6.307
1994	8.50	2003	6.859	2012	7.889	2021	5.981
1995	9.50	2004	6.458	2013	7.889	2022	5.693
1996	9.25	2005	6.115	2014	7.250	2023	5.125
1997	8.75	2006	6.115	2015	6.992	2024	5.223
1998	8.65	2007	5.88	2016	6.992		
1999	7.95	2008	6.53	2017	6.808		

City of Woodstock 2025 Real Property Value Growth



City of Woodstock 2025 Millage Values

**Net Digest:
2,597,691,766***

Millage	Tax Value
1.0	\$ 2,597,692
0.50	\$ 1,298,846
0.25	\$ 649,423
0.10	\$ 259,769
0.05	\$ 129,885
0.03	\$ 77,931
0.01	\$ 25,977
0.005	\$ 12,989

*Excludes Motor Vehicle Ad Valorem Tax Remnants

Proposed M&O Millage Rate

To Fund the Adopted FY26 Budget, originally predicated on 2.5% net growth.

Calculated **Rollback Rate** is: **5.093 mils**

- At Rollback, the adopted FY26 Budget would generate an additional \$731,294 (before appeals).
- Council therefore has some room to go lower.
 - **5.065 mils** would be a **0.55% M&O Tax Reduction**
 - Leaving \$657K in revenue (before appeals).

Proposed M&O Millage Rate: Property Tax at Rollback rate of 5.093mils

Taxable Value	Property Tax	Taxable Value	Property Tax
\$ 200,000	\$ 407.44	\$ 250,000	\$ 509.30
\$ 300,000	\$ 610.16	\$ 350,000	\$ 713.02
\$ 375,000	\$ 763.95	\$ 400,000	\$ 814.88
\$ 450,000	\$ 916.74	\$ 500,000	\$ 1,018.60
\$ 550,000	\$ 1,120.46	\$ 600,000	\$ 1,222.32
\$650,000	\$ 1,324.18	\$ 700,000	\$ 1,426.04

- 2024 Average NonHomestead Home Value: **\$368,497**
- 2024 Average Homestead Home Value: **\$493,828**

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND – 313 PARKS BOND PROJECT FUND

Total Projects \$ 26,953,193

Project-Length Budget

2024 Parks Bond Debt Service Millage Rate

- Approved by Voters
November 2023
- 2024 Parks GO Bond
 - Issued Apr 2024
 - \$26,953,193
- Approved park and trail projects

2024 PARKS BOND PROJECT LIST OVERVIEW

- Approved Projects:
 - Little River Park Connector \$3,402,833
 - Rubes Creek South Connector \$587,741
 - Rubes Creek West Connector \$461,401
 - Water Trail \$130,000
 - Neese & Arnold Mill Rd Connections \$2,966,711
 - Buckhead Crossing Boardwalk \$650,000
 - Little River Park Phases 2 & 3 \$14,926,229
 - Parks Projects (Undesignated) \$3,828,278

2024 Parks Bond Millage Rate Debt Service

FY25 Debt Service: \$970,000

FY26 Debt Service: \$1,206,330

Outside of M&O millage rate, to fund Debt Service:

FY25 Millage Rate: 0.454 mils

FY26 required Millage Rate: 0.54 Mils

- At 100% Collection rate, this will generate **\$1,268,118** to fund debt service.
- The cost of Voter approved Debt Service on Woodstock's average \$500,000 homesteaded home is **\$108.00**.
- Excess collection covers for late and delinquent taxpayers, as well as BOA/BOE adjustments.
- Unspent collections will remain as dedicated fund balance for future debt service expense.

Proposed 2024 Parks Bond 2025 Millage Rate Debt Service at **0.54 Mils**

Taxable Value	Property Tax	Taxable Value	Property Tax
\$ 200,000	\$ 43.20	\$ 250,000	\$ 54.00
\$ 300,000	\$ 64.80	\$ 350,000	\$ 75.60
\$ 375,000	\$ 81.00	\$ 400,000	\$ 86.40
\$ 450,000	\$ 97.20	\$ 500,000	\$ 108.00
\$ 550,000	\$ 118.80	\$ 600,000	\$ 129.60
\$650,000	\$ 140.40	\$ 700,000	\$ 151.20

- 2024 Average NonHomestead Home Value: **\$368,497**
- 2024 Average Homestead Home Value: **\$493,828**

Total FY25 City of Woodstock Millage Rate Proposal

FY26 Maintenance and Operations Millage Rate

5.093 Mils

FY25 Parks Bond Debt Service Millage Rate

.54 Mils

- Net Total Proposed Millage @ rollback: **5.633 mils**
- Net Total Millage @ 5.065 M&O: **5.605 mils**

(A Net Total **0.50% Tax Reduction**)

Compared to 2024 Net Total Millage of 5.677 mils

CITY OF WOODSTOCK

- Questions?

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Brian Borden, Parks & Recreation

ITEM TYPE: Presentation and Discussion Items

AGENDA SECTION: **PRESENTATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

SUBJECT: **Park Bond Project Update**

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:
[Park Bond Project Update 2025 \(version 2.0\).pptx](#)

PARK BOND PROJECT UPDATE

Brian Borden
Parks & Recreation Director
August 18, 2025



LITTLE RIVER PARK CONSTRUCTION

PLANNING



PROGRAM SUMMARY

Trickum Road Park Zone

1. Park Entry Road
2. One-Way Access Road with Parking (29 Parking Spaces)
3. Overflow Parking (22 Parking Spaces)
4. Park Office & Outdoor Center Building
5. Park Maintenance & Storage Building
6. Restroom Building (2 Qty.)
7. Outdoor Classroom (1 Qty.)
8. Nature/Creative Play Area (1 Qty.)
9. Picnic Area (2 Qty.)
10. Nature Trail with Viewing Platforms & Tree Houses (1.50 Miles)
11. Watersports Training Area at Pond
12. Fishing & Paddle Craft Platforms at Pond
13. Multi-Use Concrete/Boardwalk Trailway (1 Mile)
14. Riverside Nature Trail with Paddle Craft Launch & Fishing Platform

Linear Corridor Zone

1. Multi-Use Concrete/Boardwalk Trailway (1.75 Miles)
2. Pedestrian Bridge Connection to Woodlands Park
3. Pedestrian Bridge Connection to Trickum Road Park
4. Trailway Play/Exercise Stations

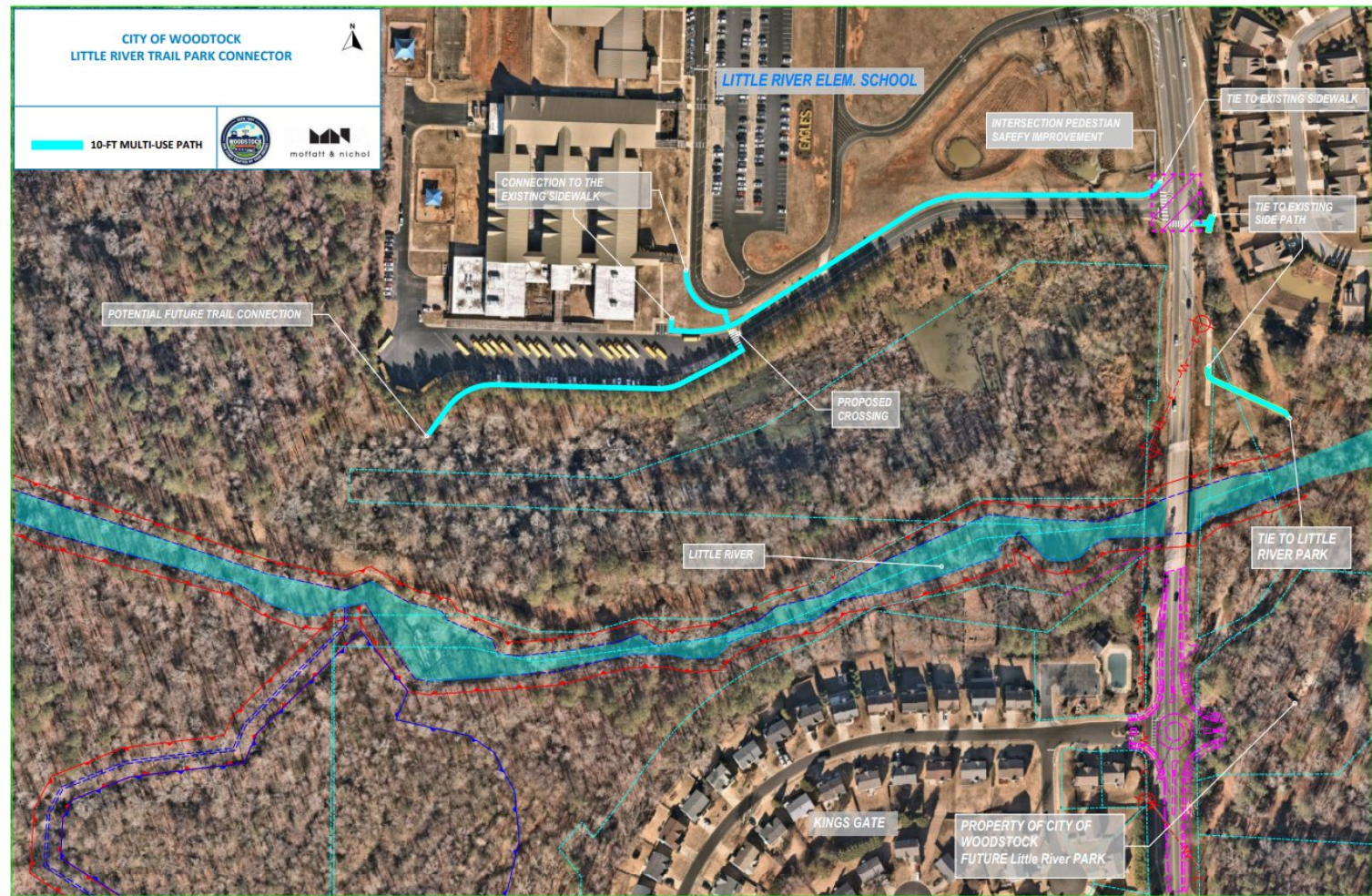
Woodlands Park Zone

1. Multi-Use Concrete Trailway (1.25 Miles)
2. Multi-Use Open Space Field A (2.75 AC)
3. Multi-Use Open Space Field B (> AC)
4. Restroom Building (1 Qty.)
5. Disc Golf Trail (18 Hole PRO/AM Course)
6. Existing Parking Area (75 Parking Spaces)
7. Existing Overflow Parking Area (45 Parking Spaces)
8. Large Dog Park (.75 AC)
9. Small Dog Park (.75 AC)
10. Stay Fit Exercise Stations (15 Stations with Safety Surface & Shade Canopies)

Little River Park

- The groundbreaking ceremony was held on Tuesday August 5, 2025, from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm at Woodlands Park.
- ICAN continued with the field staking of the project layout along the Linear Corridor.
- ICAN continued with the installation of the tree protection fencing at the limit of disturbance line.
- Install erosion and sediment structures throughout the Linear Corridor.
- Coordinate required City Inspections of installed erosion and sediment control structures throughout the Linear Corridor.
- Adjust trail alignment based on input received during the August 6th field verification meeting
- Field review and approve adjusted trail alignment during the week of August 18th
- Begin milling of existing parking lot at the Woodlands Park.
- Bi-Weekly On-site Progress Meeting – August 14, 2025, at 9:00 am.

Little River Park Trail Connector

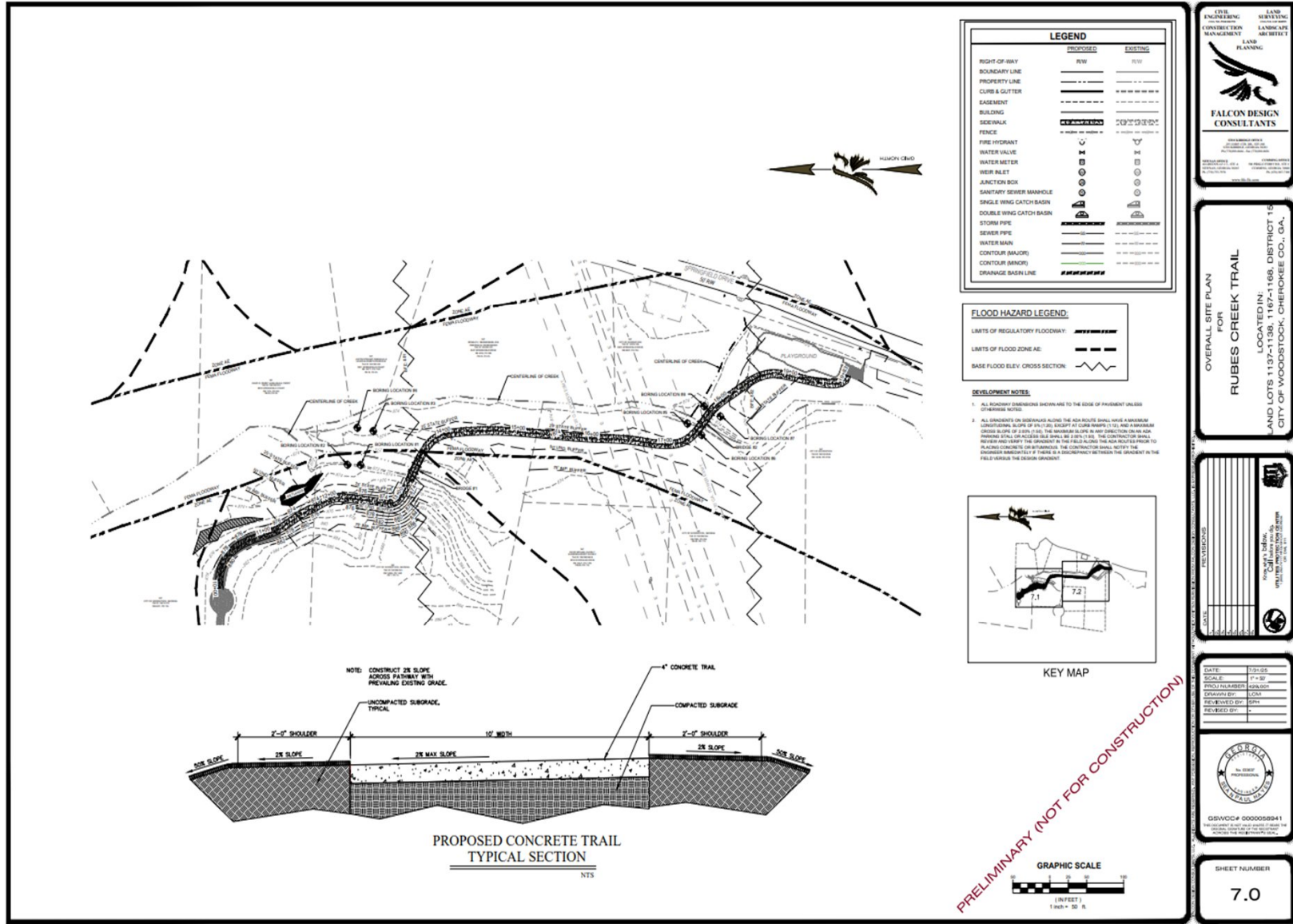


***THE CITY WILL SELF PERFORM THIS PROJECT TO COINCIDE WITH THE SUMMER SCHOOL BREAK IN 2026.**

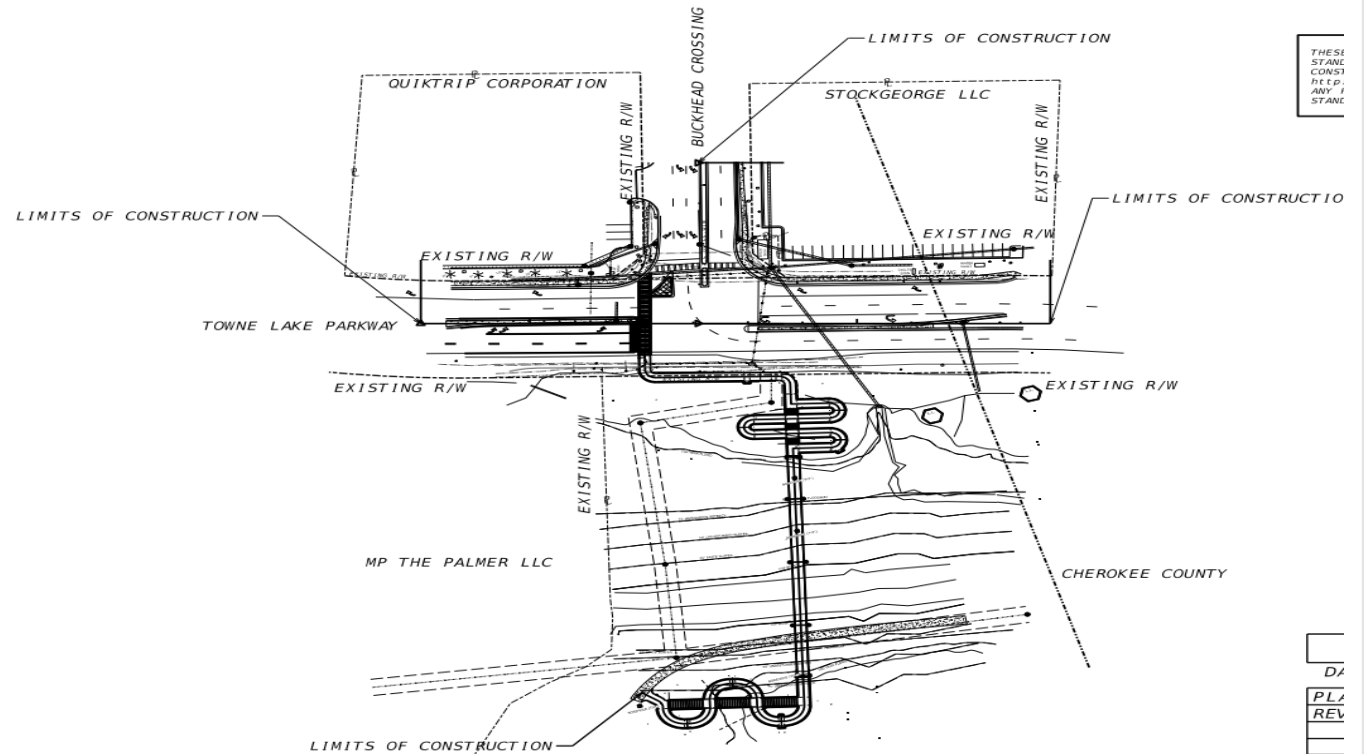
Rubes Creek Trial Project



Rubes Creek Trail Project



Buckhead Trail Crossing



- Staff is evaluating and looking at various options associated with this project.



Trailheads

Little River Water Trail

Trail Status

Funded

- Funded - Parks Bond

Greenprints Trails

Trail Status

Completed

- Completed

Funded

- Funded - Parks Bond
- Funded - Transportation

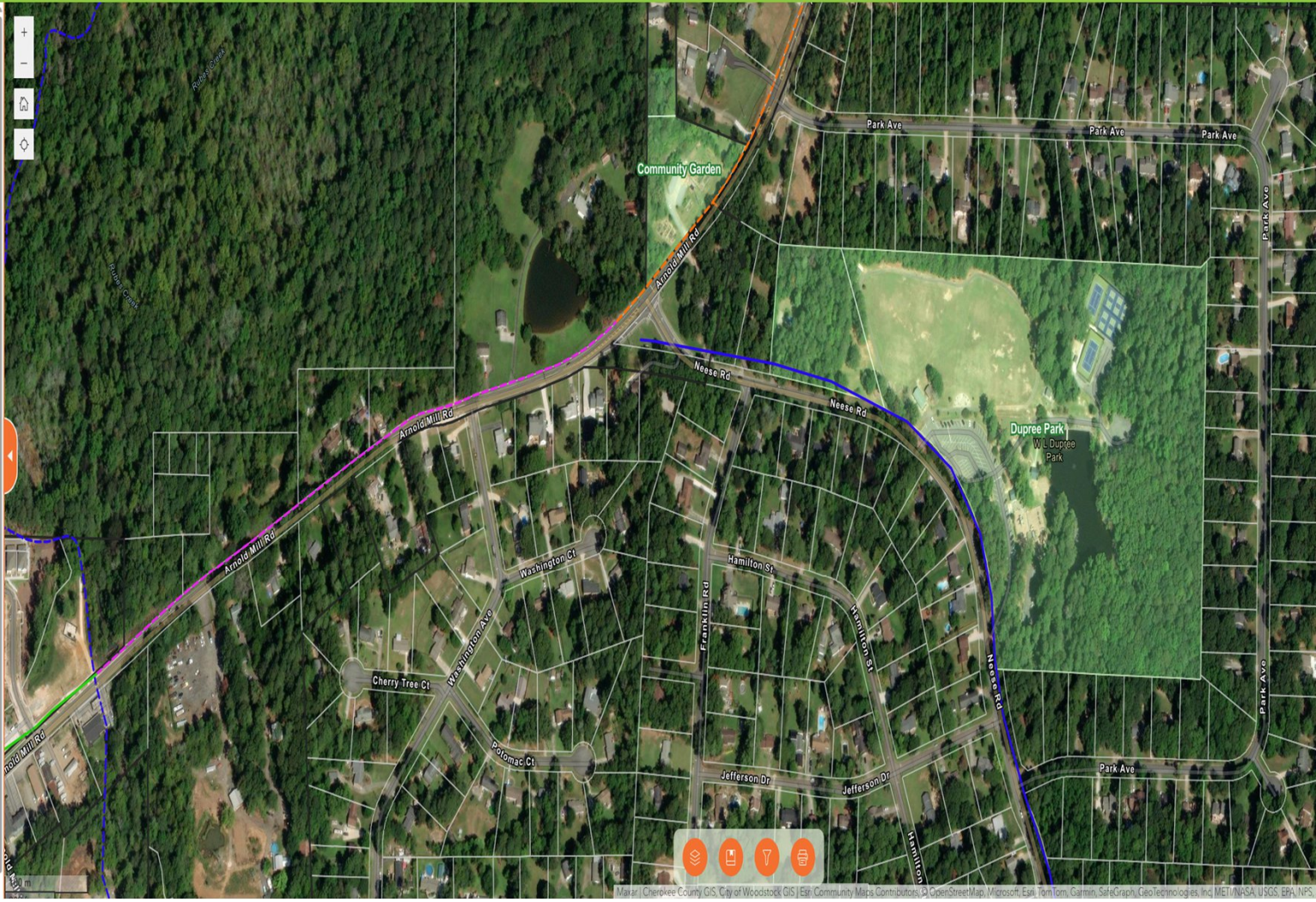
Proposed

- Proposed - Unknown Funding
- Proposed - County
- Proposed - LCI
- Proposed - Parks Bond
- Proposed - Transportation

City Limits

City Parks

Parcels



Neese Road to Arnold Mill Road Trail Connect or Project

Map by Cherokee County GIS, City of Woodstock GIS | Est. Community Maps Contributors, © OpenStreetMap, Microsoft, Esri, TomTom, Garmin, SafeGraph, GeoTechnologies, Inc | MET/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS

Contact Information

Brian Borden, Parks & Recreation Director
(770) 517-6788 ext. 1953
bborden@woodstockga.gov



Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Ron Shelby, Finance Department

ITEM TYPE: Presentation and Discussion Items

AGENDA SECTION: **PRESENTATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

SUBJECT: **Mission Square Plan Changes Discussion**

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:
[Mission Square Baldwin Plan Update and Changes Presentation.pptx](#)



MISSION SQUARE PLAN UPDATE & CHANGES

08/13/2025

Benefits Committee Review:

Jeff Moon
Coty Thigpen
Mindy Nobis
Ron Shelby

Mission Square Project

Tasks Completed with

- Propose an Open Architecture structure of funds to replace the current set of MSQ funds found to be deficient.
 - Leading to increased investment performance transparency (Market traded funds with ticker symbols)

All Revisions to funds implemented in September 2024

- Conduct a **competitive RFP** with Retirement Plan Record keepers using newly proposed investment offerings. **Done**

Resulted in Reduced Plan Fee Costs from 1.01% to 0.77%

Mission Square Project

Tasks Completed with Baldwin Wealth Advisors Assistance

- Implement Secure Act 2.0 plan updates including
 - Added 457 Roth option
 - 14 Employees using (12 exclusively)
 - Allow “In-Service” withdrawals at 59.5 (versus 70.5)
 - Allow Distribution of up to \$5,000 per qualifying birth or adoption
 - Allow \$1,000 Emergency Withdrawal for Certain Emergency expenses

Mission Square Project

2Q 2025 Plan Review Meeting

- Additional Plan Updates to occur
 - Allow “Super Catch-Up” contributions for employees
 - **Eligibility:** Individuals who turn 60, 61, 62, or 63 during the calendar year
 - **Increased Limit:** Starting in 2025, the super catch-up contribution limit for eligible participants is **\$11,250**, compared to the standard catch-up limit of \$7,500 available to those aged 50 and older.
 - **Optional for Employers** to participate

The aim of this provision is to allow individuals nearing retirement to boost their savings, especially if they weren't able to contribute as much earlier in their careers.

Mission Square Project

2Q 2025 Plan Review Meeting

- Current Plan Allocation by Investment Type

457(b)

Investment Type	Assets	Percentage
U.S. Equity	\$5,001,653.53	39.9%
Asset Allocation	\$3,500,723.44	27.9%
International/Global Equity	\$1,787,877.27	14.3%
Cash Alternatives	\$1,708,107.30	13.6%
Fixed Income	\$497,182.27	4.0%
Specialty	\$41,554.36	0.3%
Total	\$12,537,098.17	100%

as of 6/30/2025

401(a)

Investment Type	Assets	Percentage
Asset Allocation	\$2,457,192.04	37.3%
U.S. Equity	\$1,751,342.18	26.6%
International/Global Equity	\$1,119,013.53	17.0%
Cash Alternatives	\$974,714.73	14.8%
Fixed Income	\$264,725.01	4.0%
Specialty	\$28,612.28	0.4%
Total	\$6,595,599.77	100%

as of 6/30/2025

Mission Square Project

2Q 2025 Plan Review Meeting

■ Fund Performance:

- Remains in the 7-10 point range on the Baldwin Scorecard Point System. Consultant does not recommend any changes based upon performance. (Only one fund at 7)

■ Fund Updates:

- **Remove** Principal Real Estate Securities Fund R6 (10)
- **Replace** with **US REIT R1 (Principal Group)** (Rated 10) **at a lower Expense Ratio** (from .81 down to .52)

- **Remove** Various Target Date American Funds
- **Replace** with **Great Gray Trust Capital Group Target Date funds** (Rated 8) which replicate the American Funds **at a lower Expense Ratios.**

Mission Square Project

2Q 2025 Plan Review Meeting

■ Fund Updates (continued):

- Add **Black Rock Commodity Strategies K** (Rated 9) giving participants exposure to the Commodities Broad Basket category. (Gross Expense Ratio .77)
- Add **PIMCO International Bond (USD) Institutional** (Rated 9) to provide exposure in the Global Fixed Income category. (Expense Ratio .75)
- Add **International Growth II R1 (MFS Intl LCG)** (Rated 10) to provide additional choice in the International Large Cap Growth equities category which currently has \$1.7M in plan assets but only 1 fund choice (Expense Ratio .48)

Mission Square Project

Questions?

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Shane Dobson, Fire Department

ITEM TYPE: Presentation and Discussion Items

AGENDA SECTION: **PRESENTATION ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

SUBJECT: **Presentation - Emergency Response to Electric Vehicle Fires**

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Shane Dobson, Fire Department

ITEM TYPE: Departmental Reports

AGENDA SECTION: DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

SUBJECT: Fire Department Monthly Report (July 2025)

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:
[Blitz July 2025.pdf](#)
[Canva July Monthly report.pdf](#)



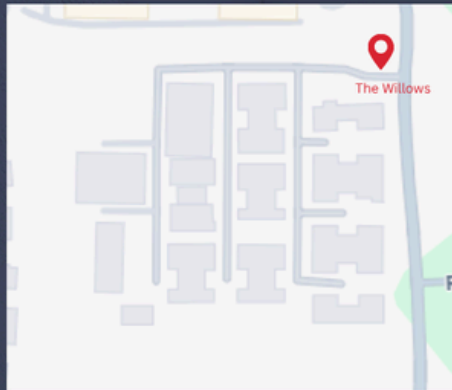
Smoke Alarm Blitz



During the months of June and July, members of the Woodstock Fire Department conducted a smoke alarm blitz in two senior living neighborhoods to help ensure the safety of our senior residents. Both administrative staff and on-duty firefighters participated in the installations, which took place over six days following a five-day evaluation period.

The Willows

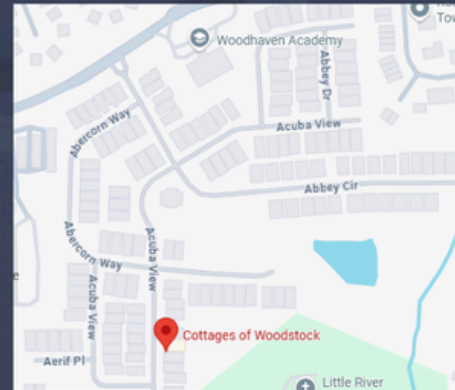
226 Homes Rd



38 Homes Visited
150 Smoke Alarms Installed
30 Smoke Alarms Donated by WFD
55 Residents Affected

The Cottages

334 Acuba View



55 Homes Visited
172 Smoke Alarms Installed
5 Smoke Alarms Donated by WFD
73 Residents Affected

Total Impact

Homes Visited 93
Smoke Alarms Installed 322
Smoke Alarms Donated by WFD 35

Residents Affected

128!

July Monthly Fire Department Report

2025

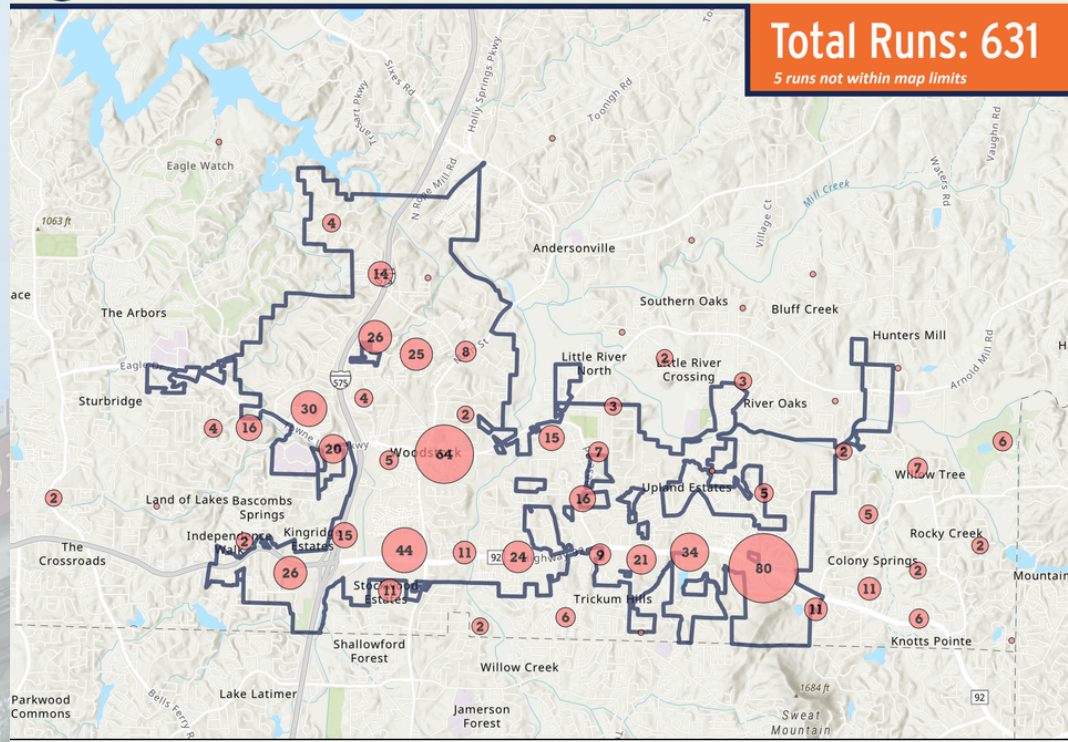


Where Did We Respond This Month?



July Run Report - 2025

Total Runs: 631
5 runs not within map limits



Total Number of Calls

631

Calls Inside the City

506

Calls Outside the City

125

Call Types

False Calls **48**

Service/Good Intent **113**

Hazmat **9**

EMS **448**

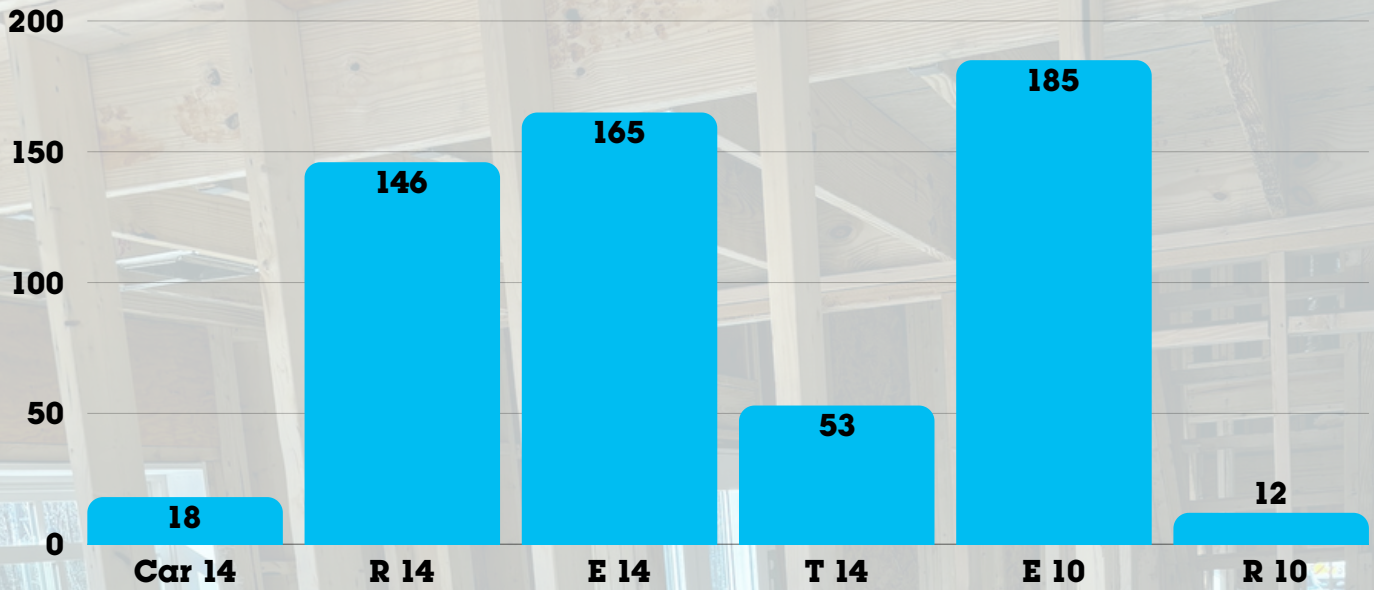
Fire **13**

0 100 200 300 400 500

90th Percentile Response Times

City Wide
10 Minutes
36 Seconds

Calls by Apparatus



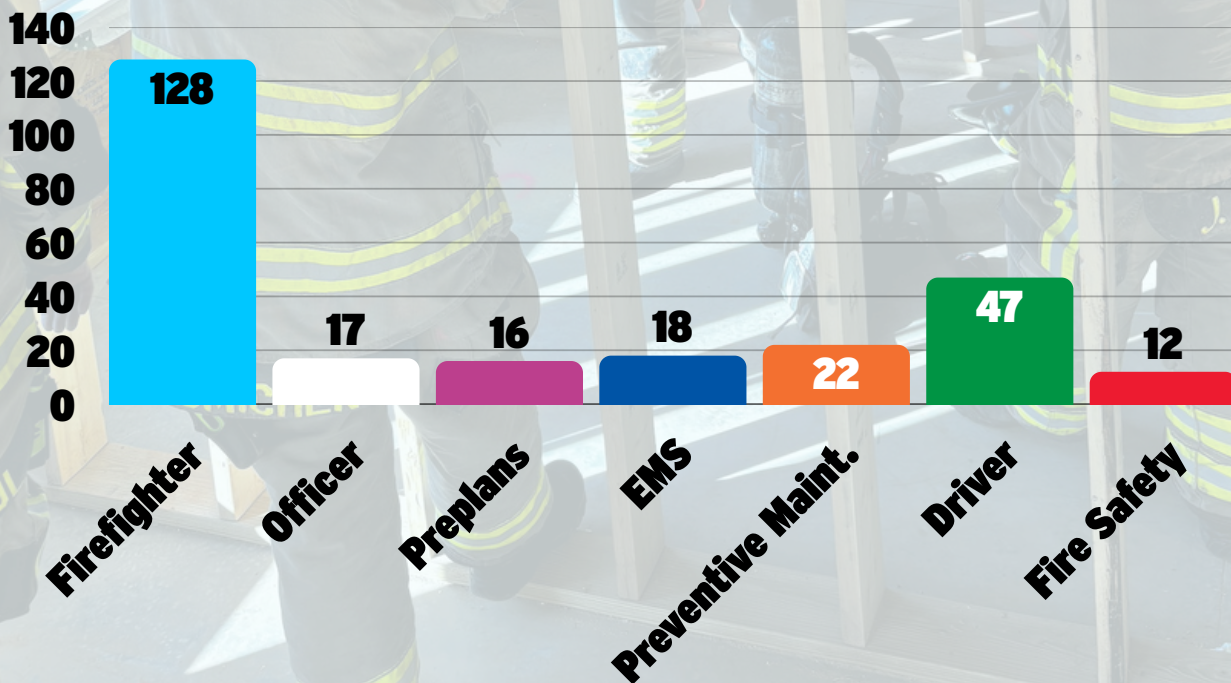
Departmental Physical Fitness Participation : 93%

Departmental Goal : 85%

MONTHLY TRAINING REPORT FOR MAY

TOTAL TRAINING HOUR: 256

TRAINING HOURS BY TOPIC



FIRE MARSHAL REPORT FOR MAY

Citizens Reached this Month: 592

Public Participation Citizens reached: 454

- Indirect Impact
 - Black Rifle Block Party - 55
 - Goodwill Back to School - 399

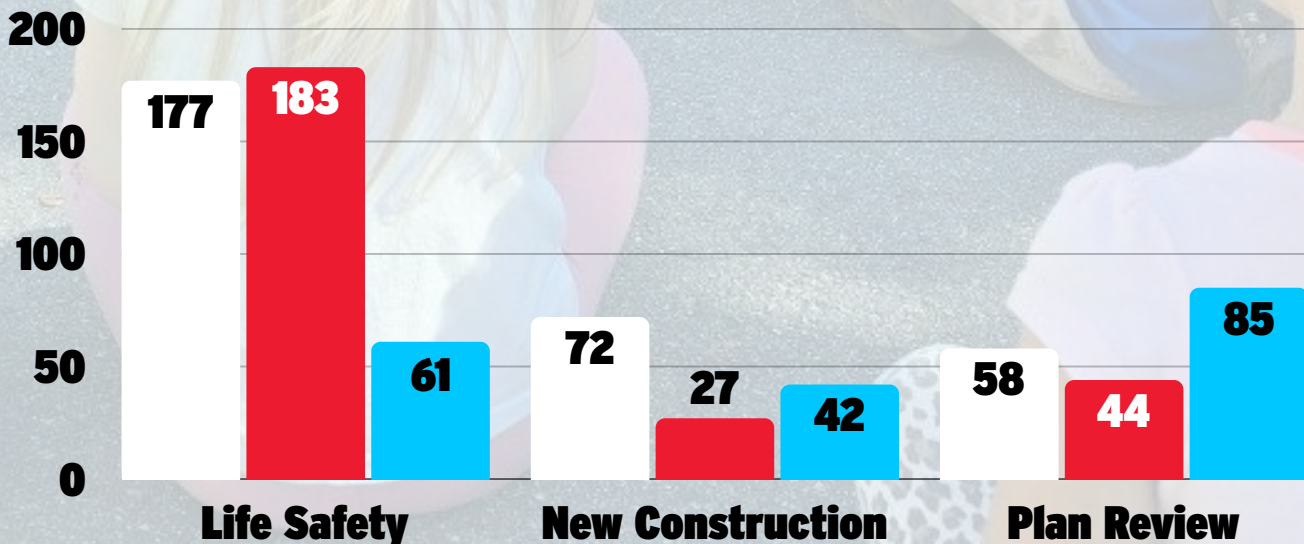
Educational Programs Citizens Reached : 72

- Children's Education
 - Towne Lake Academy Touch a Truck - 30
 - All Star Gymnastics Touch of Truck - 42

Community Assistance Citizens Reached: 66

- Car Seat Inspections - 1
- Car Seats Installed - 6
 - Care takers attending -6
- Occupants reached for smoke detectors - 55
 - We installed 150 smoke detectors
 - 30 of the detectors were donated

Fire Marshal Monthly Inspections



Highlight from July



**A-shift
practicing the
cone course with
firefighters.**



**B-shift participated with
Touch -a-Truck
at Georgia All Star
Gymnastics!**





Woodstock Fire and Cherokee County Fire responded to a structure fire at Woodstock High School. Firefighters found a small fire in the attic of the field house near the football stadium and quickly contained it to a limited area. Investigators traced the cause to a faulty fluorescent light ballast that ignited nearby wooden trusses. No injuries were reported.



Woodstock Fire responded to an overturned tractor trailer, which blocked all lanes on Highway 92 westbound at I-575.

Congratulations



Top right: Jesse Brookshire was promoted to Sergeant, pictured with his wife, Mayor Caldwell and Chief Dobson

Bottom left: Rodney Kendall was promoted to Captain, pictured with his two daughters, Mayor Caldwell, and Chief Dobson.



And in Other News

- **Took part in the July 4th Parade and fireworks celebration.**
- **Training Officer, Chris Durden, joined our administrative team on July 10th.**
 - **We are excited about the contributions he will bring.**
- **Provided EMT coverage at the Josh Turner concert.**
- **Chief Dobson attended the Southeastern Association of Fire Chiefs Conference.**
- **Conducted two interviews with certified firefighters and initiated the hiring process.**
- **Administered written and physical agility tests for potential new hires for the 12 rookie positions.**
 - **We started with 74 candidates.**
 - **Currently, we have narrowed it down to 26 for the interview stage.**
 - **There appear to be some strong candidates among them.**

CITY OF
WOODSTOCK
POLICE DEPARTMENT

Monthly Report

July 2025

Table of Contents

Departmental Updates	1
Field Services/Patrol Operations	2
NIBRS Reportable Offenses (July)	3
NIBRS Reportable Offenses YTD 2025	4
Overall Accident Analysis	5
Accident Monthly Comparison Chart	6
Accident Monthly Map	7
H.E.A.T. & Traffic Unit	8
Social Media Engagement Report	9
CID and K9	11
Community Outreach Initiatives	12
Technical Services and Accreditation	13
Training and Recruiting	14

Vision Statement

To be the most professional law enforcement agency in the state of Georgia.

Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Woodstock Police Department to improve public safety by working with the citizens of our city for the advancement of the community we serve, to prevent crime, and to protect the lives and property of our citizens, businesses, and visitors. While doing so, we will always hold ourselves accountable and to the highest ethical and moral standards to maintain public trust.



Departmental Updates

- Chief Jones announced his retirement
- Started the new fiscal year
- Jenna Reed started the academy

JULY WORK ANNIVERSARIES

Officer Eric Morris	2 Years
---------------------	---------

JULY GUARDIAN RECOGNITION

Lieutenant Mike deCocq	Officer Bryant Manzo
Sergeant Travis Peterkin	Officer Jacob Wood
Sergeant Jason Swanson	Officer Omar De Los Rios
Sergeant Jeremy Cochran	Officer Kalon Fields
Sergeant Justin Thorpe	Officer Alexander Oxendine
Officer Joshua Collie	

Woodstock Police Department Monthly Reporting Summary Field Services/Patrol Operations 2025

Current Type of Activity	Alpha Watch	Bravo Watch	Charlie Watch	Delta Watch	Motor Unit	Traffic Unit	Nghd. Services	Jul-25	YTD: 2025
Case #'s	209	116	113	73	12	4	11	538	3,431
Foot Patrols	319	278	252	163	49	27	93	1,181	7,683
Bike Patrols	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Suspicious Persons	34	2	52	7	4	-	6	105	756
FI Card	1	-	1	-	4	-	-	6	43
Unoccupied Suspicious Vehicles	1	2	14	8	2	-	2	29	232
Alarms	65	40	34	57	-	-	9	205	1,239
Open Door	1	5	4	4	-	-	-	14	120
Incident Reports (non crash)	137	55	101	46	11	3	31	384	2,214
Traffic Crash W/ Injury	-	9	-	2	3	-	-	14	153
Traffic Crash W/O Injury	58	35	18	20	2	2	1	136	852
DUI Arrests	-	-	6	10	4	2	-	22	185
Other Traffic Arrests	14	2	10	9	2	-	1	38	271
Fatality Crashes	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1
Hit and Run Crashes	6	5	3	4	-	-	-	18	113
Traffic Crashes Roadway	38	36	12	20	5	1	-	112	700
Traffic Crashes Private Property	20	8	6	8	-	-	-	42	298
Traffic Citations	145	18	114	31	70	65	7	450	3,307
Tag Reader Citations	-	-	13	-	8	-	-	21	181
Parking Citations	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	10
Traffic Written Warnings	56	6	54	8	12	41	-	177	2,081
Traffic Verbal Warnings	205	72	276	177	6	4	25	765	4,395
Drug Arrests	16	-	15	3	-	-	-	34	200
Fugitive Arrests	7	2	4	6	4	-	-	23	111
Ordinance Citations	2	-	2	3	-	-	-	7	27
D-Runs	2,507	875	2,087	873	194	134	129	6,799	44,559
Courtesy Rides	2	1	-	4	-	-	-	7	47
Other Arrests	3	8	8	6	-	-	-	25	182
K-9 Apprehensions	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	2
K-9 Building Searches	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	18
K-9 Call Outs	10	-	-	9	-	-	-	19	125
K-9 Seizures	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	41
K-9 Tracks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
K-9 Vehicle Searches	20	-	-	11	-	-	-	31	256
K-9 Vehicle Searches I-575	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
K-9 Sterility Sweeps	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	42
K-9 GEMA Deployment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
Field Services Assist	-	-	-	-	15	13	1	29	243
Community Events	1	1	-	-	2	2	8	14	89
Homeowners Assn. Meetings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Neighborhood Watch Meetings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Interagency/Network Meetings	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	6	45
Educational Classes Taught	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
Community Organizational Meetings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Crime Prevention Meetings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number of Citizens Educated	-	-	-	-	-	-	48	48	270
Safety Education Meetings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
School Visits	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	38
Explorer Meetings/Functions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Number of Students Educated	-	-	-	-	-	-	21	21	1,291
Training Hours	69	1	-	-	23	2	26	121	1,122
Training Classes	-	1	-	-	6	2	11	20	115
FSD Assists	-	-	-	-	2	2	5	9	182
Vehicle Inspections	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	131	1,035



Group A Offense Report

July 2025

Offense	Reported in 2025	Reported in 2024	Percent Change	Offenses Cleared	Percent Cleared	Percent Of Category	Rate Per 100,000*
Murder	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-consensual Sex Offenses:				0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rape	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sodomy	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sexual Assault with Object	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fondling	0	2	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Aggravated Assault	1	1	0.00%	1	100.00%	6.25%	2.52
Simple Assault	10	6	66.67%	5	50.00%	62.50%	25.24
Intimidation	5	1	400.00%	3	60.00%	31.25%	12.62
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Consensual Sex Offenses:				0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Incest	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statutory Rape	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Crimes Against Persons Total	16	10	60%	9	56.25%	22.22%	40.39
Robbery	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Larceny/Theft Offenses	24	33	-27.27%	7	29.17%	60.00%	60.59
Motor Vehicle Theft	1	1	0.00%	0	0.00	2.50%	2.25
Arson	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Destruction Of Property	5	6	-16.67%	0	0.00	12.50%	12.62
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	2	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Fraud Offense	10	10	0.00%	1	100.00%	25.00%	25.24
Embezzlement	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Extortion/Blackmail	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bribery	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Stolen Property Offenses	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Crimes Against Property Total	40	52	-23.08%	8	20.00%	55.56%	100.98
Drug/Narcotic Violations	15	14	7.14%	15	100.00%	93.75%	37.87
Drug Equipment Violations	1	5	-80.00%	1	100.00%	6.25%	2.52
Gambling Offenses	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pornography/Obscene Material	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prostitution	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Weapons Law Violation	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Animal Cruelty	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Crimes Against Society Total	16	21	-23.81%	16	100%	22.22%	40.39
Total Group "A" Offenses	72	83	-13.25%	33	45.83%	100%	181.76



Group A Offense Report

2025

Offense	Reported in 2025	Reported in 2024	Percent Change	Offenses Cleared	Percent Cleared	Percent Of Category	Rate Per 100,000*
Murder	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Justifiable Homicide	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Non-consensual Sex Offenses:			NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rape	1	2	-50.00%	0	0.00	0.86%	2.52
Sodomy	1	0	NA	0	0.00	0.86%	2.52
Sexual Assault with Object	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Fondling	5	6	-16.67%	2	40.00%	4.31%	12.62
Aggravated Assault	21	8	162.50%	14	66.67%	18.10%	53.01
Simple Assault	62	76	-18.42%	34	54.84%	53.45%	156.51
Intimidation	26	27	-3.70%	12	46.15%	22.41%	65.64
Kidnapping/Abduction	0	2	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Consensual Sex Offenses:			NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Incest	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Statutory Rape	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Human Trafficking, Commercial Sex Acts	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Human Trafficking, Involuntary Servitude	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Crimes Against Persons Total	116	122	-4.92%	62	53.45%	21.01%	292.83
Robbery	0	2	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Burglary/Breaking & Entering	9	9	0.00%	1	11.11%	2.95%	22.72
Larceny/Theft Offenses	199	267	-25.47%	72	36.18%	65.25%	502.36
Motor Vehicle Theft	8	16	-50.00%	4	50.00%	2.65%	20.2
Arson	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Destruction Of Property	27	45	-40.00%	4	14.81%	8.85%	68.16
Counterfeiting/Forgery	10	12	-16.67%	1	10.00%	3.28%	25.24
Fraud Offense	50	80	-37.50%	10	20.00%	16.39%	126.22
Embezzlement	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Extortion/Blackmail	1	1	0.00%	0	0.00	0.33%	2.52
Bribery	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00%	0.00
Stolen Property Offenses	1	2	-50.00%	0	0.00	0.33%	2.52
Crimes Against Property Total	305	436	-30.05%	92	30.16%	55.25%	769.95
Drug/Narcotic Violations	111	107	3.74%	110	99.10%	84.73%	280.21
Drug Equipment Violations	18	23	-21.74%	18	100.00%	13.74%	45.44
Gambling Offenses	0	0	NA	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Pornography/Obscene Material	1	2	-50.00%	0	0.00	0.76%	2.52
Prostitution	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Weapons Law Violation	1	1	0.00%	1	100.00%	0.76%	2.52
Animal Cruelty	0	1	-100.00%	0	0.00	0.00%	0
Crimes Against Society Total	131	135	-2.96%	129	98.47%	23.73%	330.7
Total Group "A" Offenses	552	693	-20.35%	283	51.27%	100%	1393.48



Roadway Crash Analysis

July Total - 97

TOP FOUR

Most Prevalent Day of Week

Monday	25	26%
Wednesday	21	22%
Thursday	19	20%
Tuesday	18	19%

Most Prevalent Time of Day

1100-1359	33	34%
1600-1859	30	31%
1400-1559	19	20%
1900-2159	17	18%

Age Groups

20-25	20	21%
31-40	18	19%
41-50	12	12%
26-30	11	11%

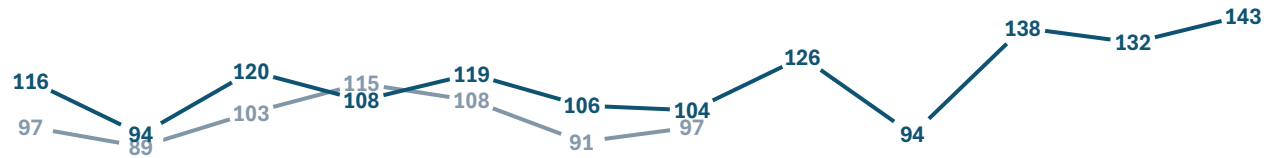
Contributing Factors

Following too Close	49	51%
Changed Lanes Improperly	14	14%
Failed to Yield	5	5%
Misjudged Clearance	5	5%

Top Four Locations

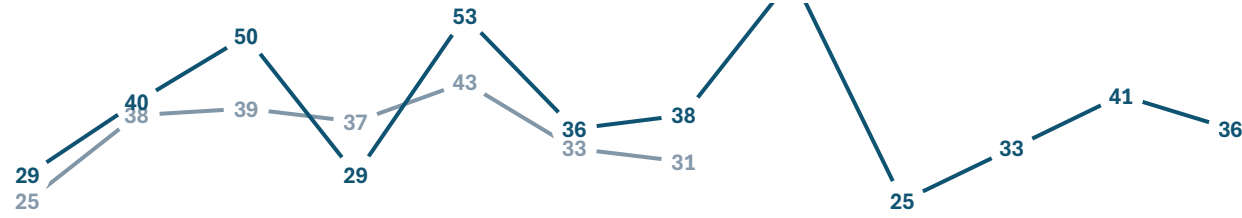
Highway 92	35	36%
Towne Lake Parkway	9	9%
Ridegewalk Parkway	7	7%
Main St	7	7%

REPORTED ROADWAY TRAFFIC CRASHES 2024-2025



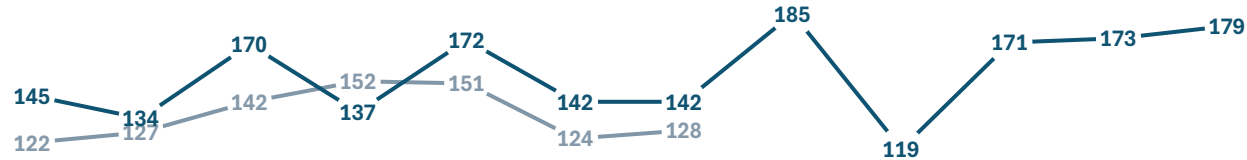
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	97	89	103	115	108	91	97					
2024	116	94	120	108	119	106	104	126	94	138	132	143

REPORTED PRIVATE PROPERTY CRASHES 2024 - 2025



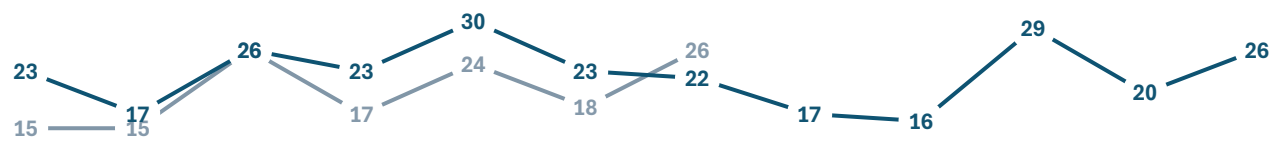
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	25	38	39	37	43	33	31					
2024	29	40	50	29	53	36	38	59	25	33	41	36

All Reported Crashes 2024 - 2025



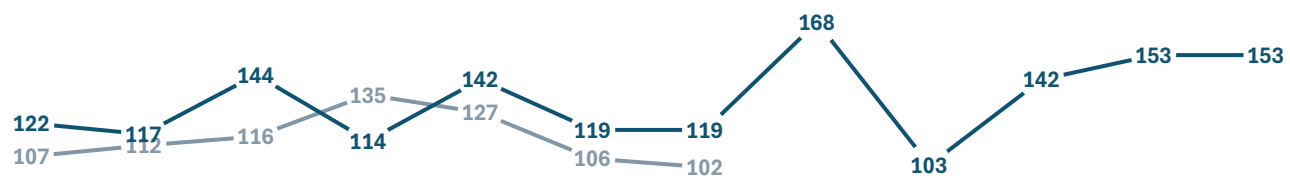
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	122	127	142	152	151	124	128					
2024	145	134	170	137	172	142	142	185	119	171	173	179

INJURY CRASHES 2024 - 2025



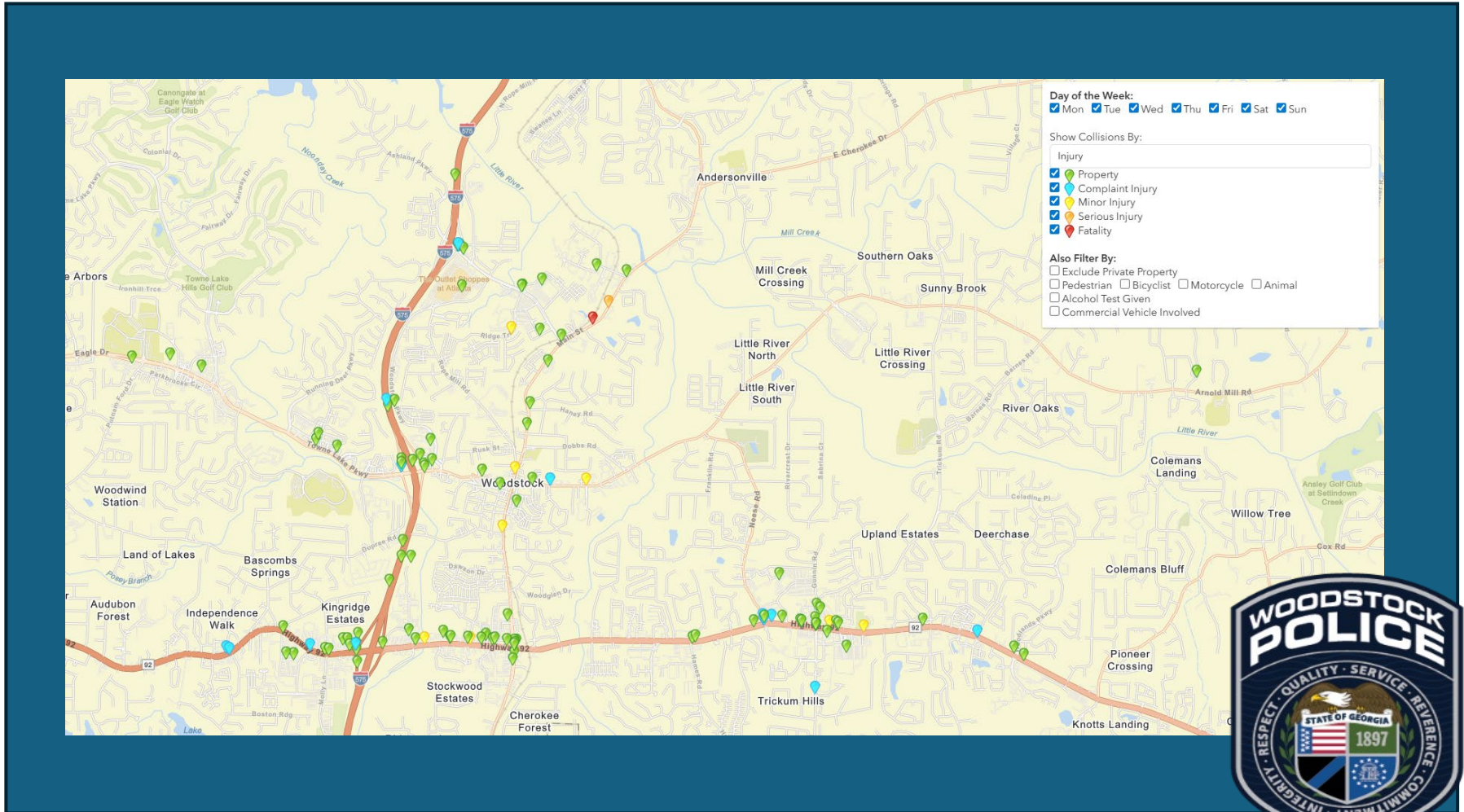
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	15	15	26	17	24	18	26					
2024	23	17	26	23	30	23	22	17	16	29	20	26

NON INJURY CRASHES 2024 - 2025



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2025	107	112	116	135	127	106	102					
2024	122	117	144	114	142	119	119	168	103	142	153	153

July 2025 Crash Map





H.E.A.T./DUI Unit

Sgt. Jeremy Cochran

2025						
Description of Activities	July	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4	YTD 2025
DUI Arrests	2	34	27	2	0	63
DUI Contacts	23	42	76	23	0	141
Speeding Citations	33	164	156	33	0	353
Speeding Written Warnings	13	139	110	13	0	262
Dist Driving Hands Free Citations	20	61	43	20	0	124
Dist Driving Hands Free Warnings	34	50	56	34	0	140
Seatbelt Citations	12	27	35	12	0	74
Seatbelt Warnings	39	51	57	39	0	147
Community Events	2	4	5	2	0	11

Traffic Unit

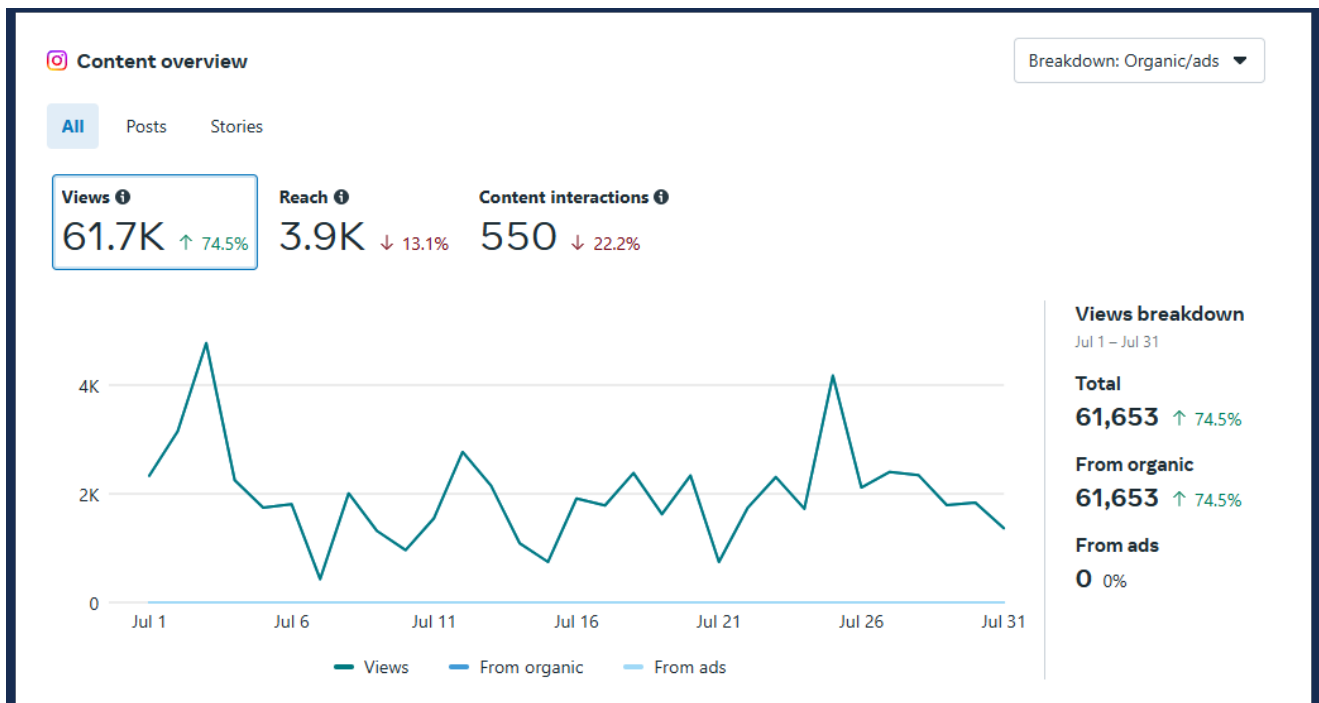
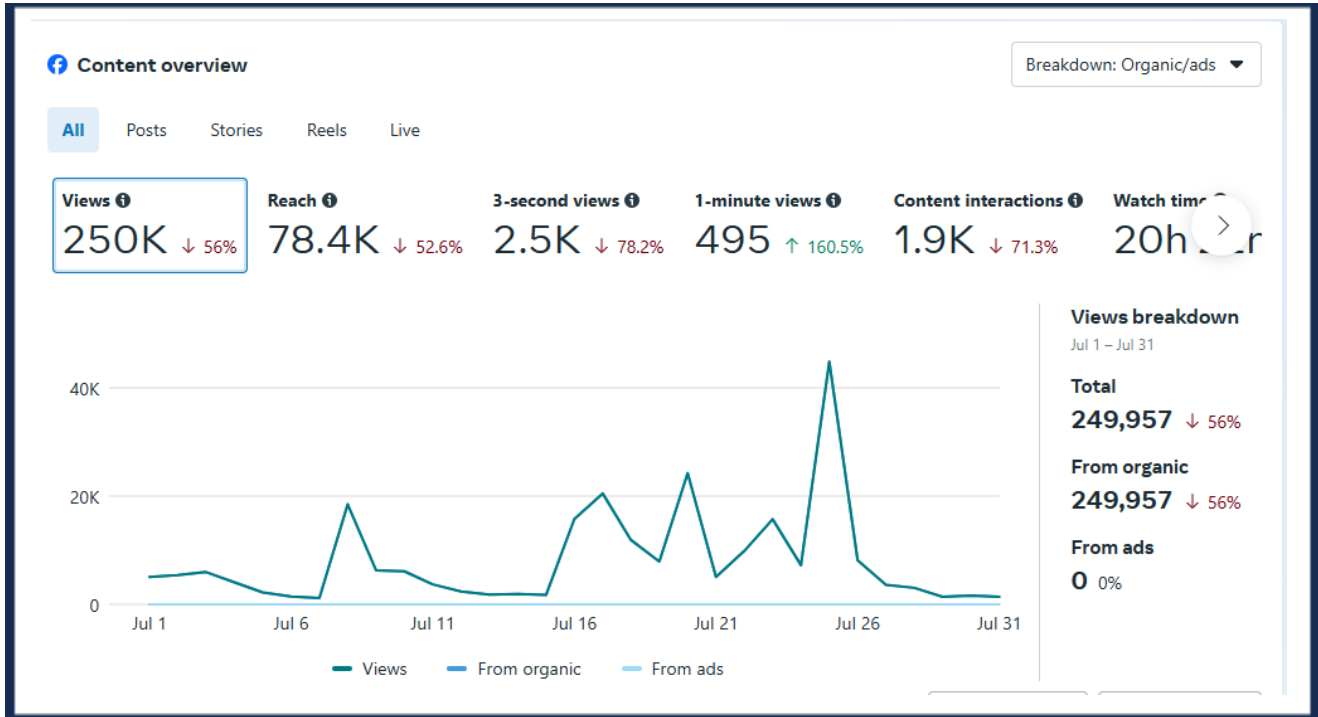
Sgt. Jeremy Cochran

2025						
Description of Activities	July	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4	YTD 2025
Crashes Without Injury	2	8	7	2	0	17
Crashes With Injury	3	10	5	3	0	18
Hit and Runs	0	12	1	0	0	13
DUI	4	14	6	4	0	24
Arrests	2	23	28	2	0	0
Arrest Warrants Taken	0	33	44	0	0	0
Traffic Stops	66	338	272	66	0	676
Cases Closed	8	31	26	8	0	0
Search Warrants	3	6	7	3	0	0
Other Unit Assists	12	55	54	12	0	0
Extra Partol Requests/Details	19	29	46	19	0	94



Social Media

Audience and Audience Engagement





Social Media

Top Posts

Top content by views

Boost



Last weekend at the incredible Josh Turn...

Wed Jul 16, 3:56pm

47.8K views 716 likes
34 shares



Traffic Alert. Update 11:10 AM: Roadway i...

Fri Jul 25, 6:08am

40.9K views 168 likes
50 shares



The missing individual had been located...

Sun Jul 20, 4:45am

25.2K views 116 likes
18 shares



The missing individual has been located....

Tue Jul 8, 7:32am

21.2K views 65 likes
11 shares

Top content by views

Boost



The Woodstock Police Department is hosti...

Tue Jul 22, 4:00pm

4.2K views 45 likes
0 shares



Last weekend at the incredible Josh Turn...

Wed Jul 16, 3:56pm

3.4K views 122 likes
0 shares



Traffic Alert. Update 11:10 AM: Roadway i...

Fri Jul 25, 6:08am

3.1K views 64 likes
0 shares



The missing individual has been located....

Tue Jul 8, 7:32am

2.5K views 19 likes
0 shares



Criminal Investigations Division

2025						
July		Jan/Feb/Mar 2025	Apr/May/June 2025	July/Aug/Sept 2025	Oct/Nov/Dec 2025	YTD 2025
Active Cases	29	179	87	29	0	295
Call Outs	6	26	22	6	0	54
Interviews	50	143	186	50	0	379
Search Warrants	6	39	39	6	0	84
Arrests and Arrest Warrants	20	73	96	20	0	189
Evidence Processed	80	656	334	80	0	1070



Canine Unit

2025						
July		Jan/Feb/Mar 2025	Apr/May/June 2025	July/Aug/Sept 2025	Oct/Nov/Dec 2025	YTD 2025
Training Hours	262.2	295.7	168.4	262.2	0	726.3
Deployments	46	170	151	46	0	367
Arrests	17	54	38	17	0	109
People Found	1	5	2	1	0	8



Community Outreach

- Concert: Josh Turner
- July 4th Freedom Run, Parade, Fireworks
- Touch a Truck
- Coffee With a Cop



Technical Services

2025						
Terminal	July	Jan/Feb/Mar 2025	Apr/May/June 2025	July/Aug/Sept 2025	Oct/Nov/Dec 2025	YTD 2025
Wanted persons entries	10	54	61	10	0	125
Cleared wanted persons	8	24	22	8	0	54
Gun entries	0	1	1	0	0	2
Cleared guns	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vehicle entries	2	5	9	2	0	16
Cleared vehicles	2	2	1	2	0	5
License plates entries	2	3	7	2	0	12
Cleared License Plates	2	1	1	2	0	4
Manager Permits	8	39	37	8	0	84
Background Requests	69	281	228	69	0	578
Fingerprints	13	40	40	13	0	93

Erika Calderon, Terminal Agency Coordinator

2025						
Records	July	Jan/Feb/Mar 2025	Apr/May/June 2025	July/Aug/Sept 2025	Oct/Nov/Dec 2025	YTD 2025
Open Records Requests	248	692	671	248	0	1611

Amber Massey, Records Specialist

Accreditation and Compliance

2025						
2025	July	Jan/Feb/Mar 2025	Apr/May/June 2025	July/Aug/Sept 2025	Oct/Nov/Dec 2025	YTD 2025
New Policies	0	3	1	0	0	4
Policies Reviewed	6	38	16	6	0	60
Policies Updated	0	18	9	0	0	27
Forms Created or Revised	1	0	2	1	0	3
CALEA Files Completed	5	123	63	5	0	191
GLECP Files Completed	24	17	29	24	0	70
Policy Signatures	276	2058	1974	276	0	4308

Stephanie Mari, Accreditation & Compliance Coordinator

Training and Recruiting

Commander: Sgt. Dennis Hornes

2025								
Description of Activities	Commander Sgt. Hornes	Certified Instructors	July	Jan/Feb/Mar 2025	Apr/May/June 2025	July/Aug/Sept 2025	Oct/Nov/Dec 2025	YTD 2025
Open Postitions	8		8	11	5	8	0	24
Recruiting Events/Trips	0		0	1	0	0	0	1
Recruiting Hours	40		40	50	0	40	0	90
Applicant Interviews	3		3	14	6	3	0	23
Offer Letters Extended	1		1	16	2	1	0	19
PTO Meetings	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of Recruits in Field Training	4		4	15	14	4	0	33
Training Requests Received	17		17	33	35	17	0	85
Training Requests Approved	10		10	18	21	10	0	49
Training Requests Denied	7		7	15	14	7	0	36
Officers Attending Training Classes	55		55	94	162	55	0	311
Roll Call Training Hours	0		0	122	0	0	0	122
Innerdemartmental Training Hours	269		269	210	1497	269	0	1976
Outsourced Training Hours	124		124	279	336	124	0	739
Canine Training	262		262	295.7	84	262	0	641.7
Total Departmental Training Hours	655		655	906.7	1833	655	0	3394.7
Departmental Instructional Hours	86.5		86.5	217.5	118	86.5	0	422
Academy Hours	72		72	1395	936	72	0	2403

Sophia Mendoza, Training Division

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Hannah Menard, Community Development

ITEM TYPE: Departmental Reports

AGENDA SECTION: **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

SUBJECT: **Community Development Hot Sheet (August 2025)**

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:
[2025 CD Hot Sheet 8_11.pdf](#)



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HOTSHEET

UPDATED THROUGH 8 / 11

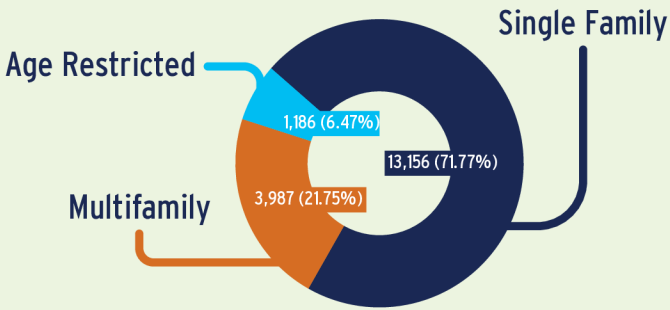
OVERVIEW

Public Hearing Cases in Progress: **12**
 Business Licenses Issued: **5**
 Development Projects Under Review: **8**

LOOKING AHEAD

Next Council Meeting: **August 25**
 Next Planning Commission Meeting: **September 4**
 Next Public Hearing Application Deadline: **September 5**

HOUSING DATA



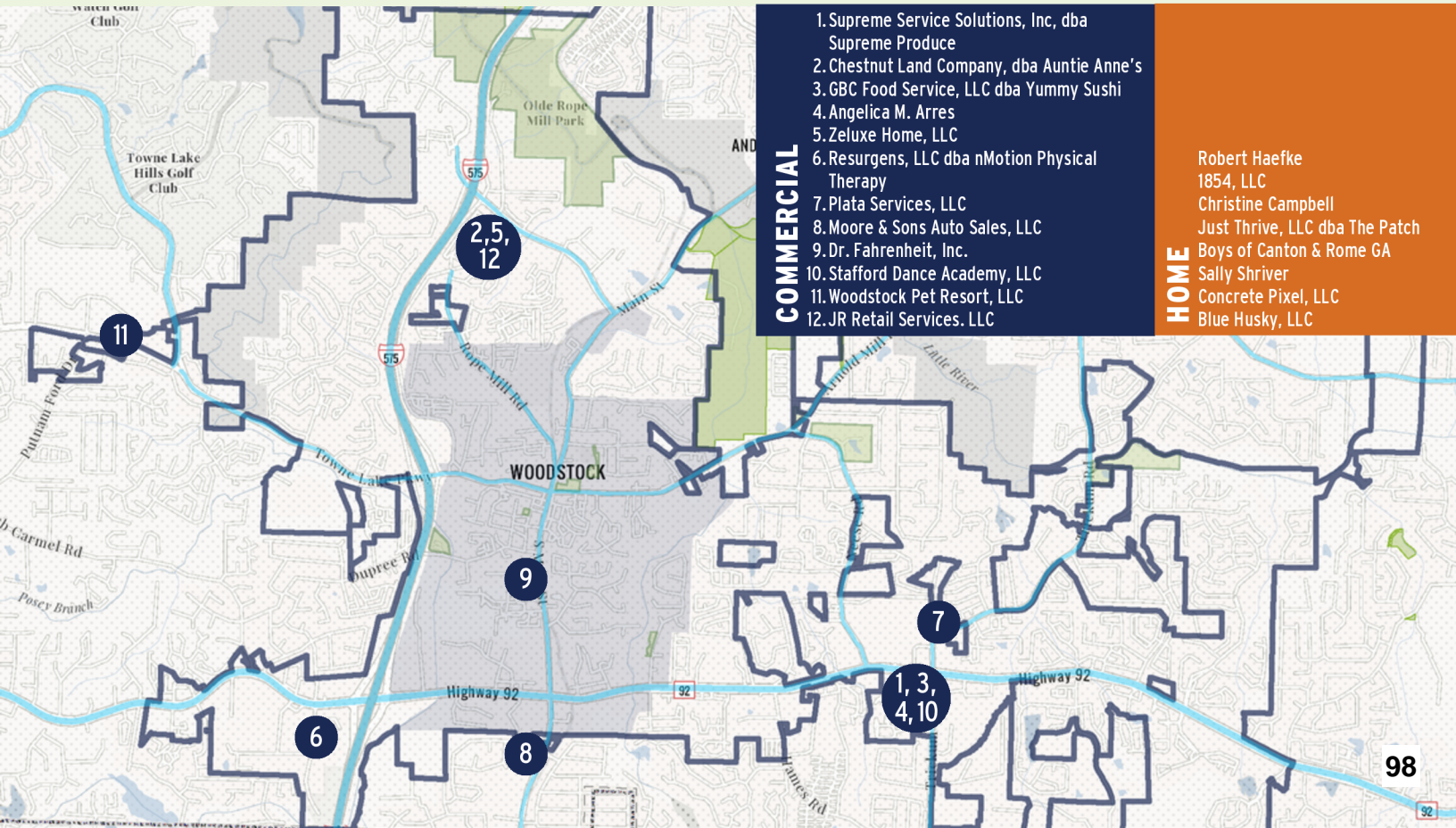
CONSTRUCTION HEALTH INDICATOR

	SFR BUILDING PERMITS	SFR COS	%
CY 2024	289	347	83%
2025 YTD	170	102	167%

If the number of permits issued gets too far ahead of COs issued, it could mean that sales are waning; conversely, if COs get too far ahead of permits and unit inventory is declining, it could mean the builders are preparing for a demand slowdown.

*COs updated monthly

BUSINESS LICENSES ISSUED



COMMERCIAL

- Supreme Service Solutions, Inc, dba Supreme Produce
- Chestnut Land Company, dba Auntie Anne's
- GBC Food Service, LLC dba Yummy Sushi
- Angelica M. Arres
- Zeluxe Home, LLC
- Resurgens, LLC dba nMotion Physical Therapy
- Plata Services, LLC
- Moore & Sons Auto Sales, LLC
- Dr. Fahrenheit, Inc.
- Stafford Dance Academy, LLC
- Woodstock Pet Resort, LLC
- JR Retail Services, LLC

HOME

- Robert Haefke
 1854, LLC
 Christine Campbell
 Just Thrive, LLC dba The Patch
 Boys of Canton & Rome GA
 Sally Shriver
 Concrete Pixel, LLC
 Blue Husky, LLC

PUBLIC HEARING CASES

AT BAT

Z#165-25 604 Lovejoy Ln Condition Amendment

Parks Huff, on behalf of Cherokee Growth, LLC, has applied for Condition Amendment to modify a condition of approval requiring the paving of the parking lot with solar reflective asphalt. The parcel is zoned GC (General Commercial) with Parkway Overlay.

Planning Commission: July 10

City Council: August 25

Project Planner: Cameron Dunn

A#127-25 Putnam Ford Dr

Parks Huff, on behalf of Park Place Developers, LLC, has submitted an application for Annexation, Rezoning, and concurrent Variances for four properties on Putnam Ford Dr. The Applicant proposes to annex three parcels, and rezone all four parcels to R-4 (Modern Medium Density Residential) to develop a 34-unit single-family detached subdivision.

Planning Commission: August 7

City Council: August 25

Project Planner: Hannah Menard

A#129-25 Little River

The City of Woodstock is requesting to Annex and Rezone two parcels located generally to the north of Little River. Both parcels would be rezoned to City of Woodstock OS (Open Space). The parcels will be used for Little River Park.

Planning Commission: August 7

City Council: August 25

Project Planner: Niwana Ray

V#214-25 119 & 123 Rusk St

Parks Huff, on behalf of Steve Findlay, has submitted an application for Variances for two properties on Rusk St. The Applicant proposes to eliminate the requirement for ROW dedication and parallel parking at 119 and 123 Rusk St. The Applicant is currently building two single-family residential houses. The parcels are zoned DT-MRA (Downtown Medium Density Residential)

Planning Commission: August 7

City Council: August 25

Project Planner: Cameron Dunn

V#215-25 109 Rope Mill Rd

Rodney Strickland has submitted an application for one Variance for 109 Rope Mill Rd. The Applicant proposes to build an addition to the existing single-family home beyond the 30% maximum allowed per LDO 7.723. The parcel is zoned DT-CBD (Downtown Central Business District) with H0 (Historic Overlay).

Planning Commission: August 7

City Council: August 25

Project Planner: Natalie Faustine

PUBLIC HEARING CASES

ON DECK

A#128-25 268 & 270 Arnold Mill Rd

Parks Huff, on behalf of Park Place Developers, LLC, has submitted an application for Annexation, Rezoning, and concurrent Variances for two properties on Arnold Mill Rd. The Applicant proposes to annex and rezone two parcels to R-3C (Medium Density Residential - Townhouses) to develop an 84-unit single-family attached subdivision.

Planning Commission: September 4

City Council: September 15

Project Planner: Cameron Dunn

Z#166-25 Dupree Rd

The City of Woodstock is requesting to Rezone four parcels located generally to the north of Dupree Rd from DT-LR and DT-MRA to DT-OS (Downtown Open Space). The area will be used for open space.

Planning Commission: September 4

City Council: September 15

Project Planner: Niwana Ray

CUP#089-25 11956 Highway 92

Jeff Miller, on behalf of Miller Commercial Properties, LLC, has requested a Conditional Use Permit to operate a "Retail - Outdoor" use for a Tractor Supply Co. store at 11956 Hwy 92. A concurrent Variance for a reduction in parking is requested. The parcel is currently zoned GC (General Commercial) with Parkway Overlay.

Planning Commission: September 4

City Council: September 15

Project Planner: Hannah Menard

IN THE HOLE

CUP#090-25 7654 & 7664 Main St

Parks Huff, on behalf of Rally Yard, LLC, has requested a Conditional Use Permit to operate a pickleball court and dog park with concurrent variances. The site is currently zoned DT-RO (Downtown Residential Office).

Planning Commission: October 2

City Council: October 27

Project Planner: Hannah Menard

ON THE BENCH

CUP#085-24 7950 Main St

Eric Richards, on behalf of Adair Park Holding Company, has applied for a Conditional Use Permit and concurrent Variances to develop 9 single family detached homes at 7950 Main St. The proposed development would additionally include nine detached garage units, three accessory dwelling units, and two rooftop amenities. The Applicant has proposed to extend Short St through the subject parcel with this project.

PUBLIC HEARING CASES

ON THE BENCH

CUP#086-24 216 & 218 Rope Mill Rd (Adair Park West)

Eric Richards, on behalf of Adair Park West, has applied for a Conditional Use Permit and concurrent Variances to develop 30 single family attached homes (townhomes) at 216 & 218 Rope Mill Rd. The Applicant requests variances to allow a density increase to 9.38 u/ac and to allow units to face open space. The Applicant has proposed to use the City owned parcel (218 Rope Mill Rd) for a new roadway across the railroad to connect Rope Mill Rd to Main St through the Adair Park street network.

CUP#087-24 8104 Main St (Adair Park - Johnson)

Eric Richards, on behalf of Adair Park, has applied for a Conditional Use Permit and concurrent Variances to develop 22 single family attached homes (townhomes), a multi-family residential building with 56 units, and ground floor retail, including a grocery store. The Applicant requests variances to allow increased density, to allow units to face open space, and to pipe the stream. Access to the parcel will be achieved via the Main St roundabout and through the existing Adair Park street network.

Item Cover Page

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: August 18, 2025

SUBMITTED BY: Brian Borden, Parks & Recreation

ITEM TYPE: Departmental Reports

AGENDA SECTION: DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

SUBJECT: Parks & Recreation Monthly Report (July 2025)

SUGGESTED ACTION:

ATTACHMENTS:
[Deptment Monthly Report July 2025.pdf](#)



Woodstock Parks & Recreation Department
July 2025
Monthly Report

1. **Administration:**

- Parks & Recreation staff COLA's went into effect July 10th.
- Staff attended the July 7th City Council meeting to receive a proclamation in honor of July being Parks and Recreation Month.
- Staff attended the Parks and Recreation appreciation luncheon hosted by the HR Department.
- Staff created the agenda for PR Advisory Board meeting.
- Staff assisted with Special Event prep work – July 4th, August, September Concerts and KidsFest.
- Staff completed the staffing schedule for August Chambers rentals.
- Heather gave out division Budget reports to leadership team during weekly staff meetings.
- Staff looked into Inquiries for potential marketing opportunities for the department.
- Staff registered for GRPA Leadership Management Workshop.
- Staff attended weekly Leadership Team meetings.
- Hether attended the Technology Advisory Committee meeting on July 30th.
- Brian and Heather met with Jamey for Pickleball Planning meeting.
- Staff has transitioned to the FY26 budget.
- Contracts signed for Little River Park Construction Administration Services.
- Staff submitted Contract Instructor payments to Finance for processing.
- Staff submitted Credit Card statements to Finance for processing.
- Staff submitted invoices for processing.

2. **Park Project Update:**

Little River Park Project Update:

- Staff hosted the pre-construction meeting with the contractor at City Hall on July 15th.
- Groundbreaking ceremony for this project has been scheduled for Tuesday, August 5th at 6 PM.

Rubes Creek Trail Project:

- Staff received the preliminary plans for the Rubes Creek trail project from Falcon Design on Thursday, July 31st.

3. **Recreation Division:**

A) Staff hosted the following recreation programs during the month of July:

- The Northside Hospital-Cherokee Amphitheater was covered-up with sweat and medicine balls when HEW Fitness partnered Woodstock Parks & Recreation for AMPED in the Park on July 19. This free fitness event saw 100+ participants get off on the right foot on a Saturday morning.
- Woodstock resident Keny Osekowski and BridgePointe Church certified their pollinator gardens with Woodstock Park for Pollinators in July.



- As Cherokee County students were set to return to the classroom on August 1, we decided to celebrate with a School Break Fun Day at the Northside Hospital-Cherokee Amphitheater on Tuesday, July 29, 2025. Co-host Chrisally Party Rentals and Events brought a ride, inflatables and games, while Woodstock Parks & Recreation broke out all of our games and hosted crafts with Foxtale Book Shoppe on the stage. Mystical Parties came out and painted faces! It was hot, so we cut early at 1pm rather than 2pm, but we all had fun.
- Moana visited Woodstock at the Park at City Center on July 19, 2025, read a story and posed for photos during Storytime Live! With a count of 340+, Moana was a hit!
- Moana visited Woodstock at the Park at City Center on July 19, 2025, read a story and posed for photos during Storytime Live! With a count of 340+, Moana was a hit!

B) Facility Rentals:

- Field space rental at Dupree Park 0
- Pickle Ball Court rental at Dupree Park 30
- Pavilion Rental at Dupree Park 9
- Tennis Court Rental at Dupree Park 6
- Chambers Rental in April 4
- Chambers Reservations Internal in April 4

C) Demographics:

	Registrations	Reservations	Memberships	Check-Ins	Profiles Created
All	687	51	79	1,738	193
Residents	221	37	25	589	48
Non-Residents	466	13	54	1,149	145
<18	61	0	0	0	34
18-65	316	48	6	102	113
65+	310	2	72	1,631	46
Male	193	36	20	405	74
Female	494	14	59	1,333	119
Online	504	47	6	N/A	165
In Person	183	3	73	N/A	28



4. Special Events:

- July 4th Spectacular – 6,800 guests for Parade and 2,700 guests for Festival. 112 Parade Floats, 33 Vendors at the Festival.
- Josh Turner Concert – Record Attendance of 16,235 guests.
- The Limitless 5k was held on the Noonday Creek Trail.
- Staff hosted a Post July 4th Spectacular meeting to review the event.
- The July 4th Parade Float Winners were presented with their awards at the July 21st City Council Meeting.
- Working Upcoming Special Event Permits for:

2025

August 10th	Woodstock Football Pep Rally
November 8th	Rope Mill Dirty Duathlon

5. Senior Center:

- We had 1,726 membership check-ins for the month of July and currently have 728 members! During the month of July our members enjoyed many activities including attending a Day Trip to Babyland General Hospital, Kayaking, participating in Zumba classes, and our Celebrate America Luncheon. Our space is quite small with our growing population, which has been as high as 732 this month, but we continue to squeeze in activities for all. Looking forward to our upcoming August schedule of events!

• Total senior Center Active Memberships	687
• Total Senior Check – Ins	1,726
• Total Senior Center Rentals	0
• Senior Center Club Meetings	2

6. Park Maintenance:

- Staff Set up for July concert
- Staff replaced the filter head on drinking fountain at Dupree Park.
- Staff cleaned the filter on the Filtration fountain at Dupree Park pond.
- Staff mowed and trimmed all of the trails on a weekly basis.
- New mulch was sprayed in at the Woofstock dog park.
- New mulch was sprayed in at Springfield playground.
- New Mulch was sprayed in at the downtown playground.
- New mulch was sprayed in at Dupree Park playground.
- New motor was put in on the electronic door at the downtown restrooms next to the Art's Green.
- Staff set up for Fourth of July parade, and festivities
- Staff submitted thirty-two (32) work orders during the month of July.
- Staff completed thirty-two (32) work orders during the month of July.