



**City Manager's Monthly Report
July 2026**

Highlights:

- America 250 was a hit! Staff are planning a new annual patriotic concert for future years during the July 4th holiday weekend.
- A life-size fiberglass cow is coming to Donaldson-Bannister Farm in late August/early September. The cow will be painted by a local artist and is in celebration of the reconstitution of the DeKalb Arts Council. 12 fiberglass cows will be transformed by local artists and displayed throughout participating DeKalb cities. Inspired by DeKalb's rich history as the "Dairy Capital of Georgia," each cow will tell a unique story through art, culture, and community.

Upcoming Events:

- August 7: Pics in the Park, Zootopia 2
- August 8: Groovin' on the Green with Emerald Empire Band and Herd Behavior
- September 4: Pics in the Park, Fantastic Four: First Steps
- September 12: Groovin' on the Green with Piano Man Vs Rocket Man
- September 17: Broadway at Brook Run
- September 18: Park(ing) Day
- October 10: Groovin' on the Green finale with Slippery When Wet and HeyDreamer

Accolades and Happenings:

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Data:

- Top popular posts for social media:
 - America 250 concert album had 15,200 views
 - "Introducing" video for Georgetown Park had 5,100 views
 - National Soccer Day Post had 4,900 views
- 1,300 visitors at Brook Run Park from 5-8pm for July 2nd America 250 concert according to Placer AI.

- 23 rental reservations across three pavilions.
- Approximately 300 frozen treats were distributed during pop-up events for National Ice Cream Month.

POLICE

Highlights, Accolades and Happenings:

- July 2, 2026, 10am-12pm, “Pop with a Cop” community event, Georgetown Park. Family friendly activities and free popsicles with local officers.
- July 14, 2026, 5pm-7pm. “Let’s Taco ‘Bout It” community event, Chupito’s Azteca Grill. A casual opportunity to meet local officers, ask questions, share concerns, and connect with the people who serve our community every day.
- July 13-17, 2026, Teen Police Academy for teens aged 14-19.
- Applications are now open for the Fall Citizens’ Police Academy taking place August 18-November 16, 2026. To find out more visit: [Citizens' Police Academy | City of Dunwoody](#).
- Broadened the scope of our Transparency & Data Sharing Initiative webpage to include all departmental policies. This page was launched in 2023 to create a centralized hub for public access to department information, operational data, policies, performance metrics, community resources, transparency initiatives, and accountability reporting. To find out more visit: [Transparency & Data Sharing Initiative | City of Dunwoody](#)

Upcoming Events and Classes:

- August 4, 2026, 5pm-7pm, “National Night Out” community event at Brook Run Park.
- September 8, 2026, 8am-10pm, “Coffee With a Cop” community event at Nordstrom, 4390 Ashford Dunwoody Road.

Workload/Activities (highlights):

- Flock Hit/Traffic Stop/Arrest – 285 EB/ADR: A white Nissan was stopped after Flock alerts indicated it had entered the city. This vehicle was connected to a series of shoplifting incidents and the Flock listing from a detective was to identify the occupants. The vehicle was located as it entered I-285 and was subsequently stopped. All occupants were identified and one was discovered to have active warrants after providing false information. He was arrested and CID was notified.
- Traffic Stop/K-9 Deployment - Officers conducted a traffic stop on a vehicle after confirming the driver had an active Gwinnett County probation violation warrant. After being taken into custody, the driver admitted there was cocaine inside the vehicle. Officers also observed suspected crack cocaine in plain view on the driver's seat. K-9 Zorro conducted an open-air sniff and alerted to the vehicle, establishing probable cause for a search. During the search, officers recovered additional cocaine and drug paraphernalia. The suspected cocaine was later tested using a TruNarc device and returned a positive result for cocaine. All evidence was seized and submitted into evidence.

Data:

- See Crime Stats Comparison report (2025-2026 Crime Stats through June 2026):
[Crime Comparison | City of Dunwoody](#)

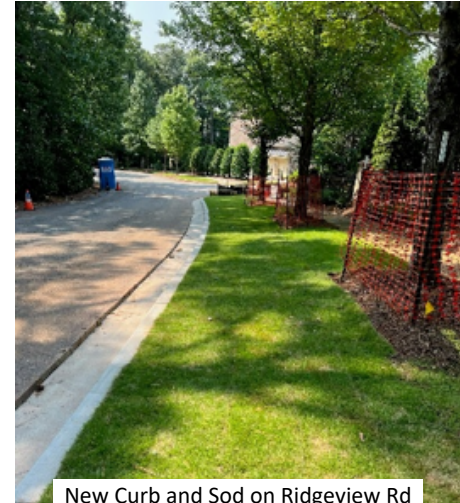
PUBLIC WORKS

Highlights:

- Ridgeview Road Sidewalk- The contractor completed grading and installed 310 feet of curb this month. Sidewalk installation is planned for August followed by paving.
- Mount Vernon Path Phase 3 from Dunwoody Village to Vermack online public comment period continues through August 17th.

Upcoming Events:

- DeKalb County Watershed water main replacement on Chamblee Dunwoody Road and Spalding Drive between Redfield Road and Coronation Drive beginning in August.
- DeKalb County Watershed water main replacement in the Lockridge Forest subdivision beginning in late August or September.



New Curb and Sod on Ridgeview Rd

Department Items:

- Old Spring House Path- Final completion is expected in August pending removal of old utility poles by Georgia Power.
- Paving began in the Dunwoody Station neighborhood.
- Mount Vernon at Tilly Mill Road- Water main replacement is expected to go to the DeKalb Board of Commissioners for funding approval on August 25th.
- Stormwater rehabilitation projects were completed on Branch Water Court, Kellogg Circle and Devonshire Way. Also completed sandblasting and resealing of the walls of the detention basin at the Brook Run ballfields.
- Ashford Dunwoody Path Phase 2- right-of-way acquisition is 55% complete for the west side of Ashford Dunwoody Road between Perimeter Center West and Meadow Lane Road.
- Happy Hollow Road Sidewalk-right-of-way and easement acquisition is ongoing.
- Peeler Road Path- right-of-way and easement acquisition is ongoing.
- Mount Vernon Path Phase 2- right-of-way and easement acquisition is ongoing.
- Processed 45 utility permits in July. Google Fiber is currently working in The Branches and Valley View neighborhoods and along Roberts Drive.

COMMUNICATIONS

Highlights:

- Communications team named a finalist for the 3CMA Savvy Awards for resident engagement for Dunwoody 101: All Aboard
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Department Items:

- Press releases: Council Members recognized for municipal training achievement, Dunwoody seeks feedback on Mt. Vernon Path Phase 3
- Graphics: National Night Out, Road closed and lane closure for Dunwoody Club, Sweet Treats, Cops with Cones, Georgetown Small Area map, Cityhood anniversary, Google Fiber help, Let's Taco 'bout It, calendar ads for Rough Draft and Dunwoody Crier
- Videos: Saints + Council groundbreaking, Police preps for school, Dunwoody Nature Center signs, Teen Police Academy graduation, Paving on Roberts Drive, Lemongrass unveiling, Streambank restoration, Dunwoody 4th of July Parade, America 250 Concert
- "Inside Dunwoody" for August focused on the zoning process and Kroger application
- Discontinuing use of the Dunwoody App
- Created and shared 5 weekly issues of D-news and the monthly Dunwoody VIPS report



July 2026 Data:

- July 2026 Dunwoody Stories Report
- Issued 2 press releases; Received 8 media inquiries; Created 15 graphics; Created 11 videos with 216K views; 3.3K Facebook views for 2 City Council meetings

- Top posts: (Facebook) Georgetown Small Area Plan Draft; (Instagram) Dunwoody 4th of July Parade video; (LinkedIn) Dunwoody streambank video

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Highlights:

- The City Council approved a rezoning, special land use permit, and master sign plan for a new Kroger store in the old Walmart space at Perimeter Village during its July 27, 2026 meeting. The store will include a gas station and a pharmacy drive-through.

Upcoming and Recent Events:

- The City Council will discuss a proposed rezoning to allow the development of 122 attached homes at 1200 & 1240 Ashwood Parkway and 4754 Ashford Dunwoody Road at its August 10, 2026 meeting.
- The Planning Commission will discuss a proposed rezoning to allow the creation of 3 lots at 1369 Spalding Drive and 5646 Roberts Drive, a proposed rezoning to allow the development of up to 33 townhomes at 4891 Ashford Dunwoody Road, a proposed special land use permit to allow a drive-through medical office at 125 Perimeter Center W, and a proposed special land use permit to allow an indoor pickleball facility at MJCCA at its August 11, 2026 meeting.

Accolades and Happenings:

- Construction of the new Living Spaces furniture store at 11 Ravinia Parkway is continuing with the steel frame being completed.
- The City Council approved a text amendment to shorten review periods for zoning cases during its July 13, 2026 meeting.

Data:

- The Department received 139 permit applications in July and has issued 118 permits.
- The valuation of all permits issued in July 2026 was \$6.7M.
- The Building Division has completed 362 inspections.
- The Code Enforcement division conducted 72 initial inspections including 7 vacant properties, received 81 new complaints and brought 35 cases into compliance.
- The Code Enforcement division removed 85 signs from the right-of-way.
- The staff issued 49 code enforcement warnings and 2 citations.
- The Department conducted 136 erosion control inspections and 1 stop work order.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Highlights:

- Attended Ribbon Cutting for Varuni Napoli restaurant at High Street.
- Attended Groundbreaking for Saints and Council restaurant at Perimeter Mall.



Upcoming Events:

- August 20, Dunwoody Development Authority Meeting
- September 1, Dunwoody Art Commission Meeting
- September 17, Dunwoody Development Authority Meeting

Department Items:

- Attended business and community meetings: Dunwoody Art Commission Meeting, Dunwoody Marketing Alliance Meeting, Vibe After Five, Village Merchants Alliance, ACCESS Georgia Board Meeting, ACCESS Georgia Foundation Entrepreneur Cohort Mock Funding Round.

Data:

- Conducted 17 Retention Meetings.
- Conducted 16 Business Recruitment Meetings.

FINANCE

Highlights:

- The FY 2027 Operating and Capital budget process was started, with the deadline for departments to submit their FY2027 budget requests to Finance by July 31, 2026.
- The Internal Audit of Tyler payments for Court was completed and will be reviewed at the next Audit Committee meeting.
- The Q2 ARPA report to the US Treasury was completed by July 31, 2026. The City has spent all ARPA proceeds, so there is no activity to report.
- May 2026 Monthly Financial Update Report was published to the Finance webpage.
- ARPA and CARES webpages were updated with activity through May 31, 2026.

Upcoming Events:

- The Q3 Audit Committee Meeting is scheduled for August 10 at 3:30pm at City Hall.

Accolades and Happenings:

- Finance Staff attended a quarterly virtual continuing professional education seminar led by Maulding & Jenkins.

Department Items:

- Posted RFQ 26-05 Standby Skilled Trade Services for the Parks and Recreation Department.
- Posted IWQ 26-05 ADA Handicap Ramp Replacement-Citywide Locations for Public Works.
- Posted ITB 26-06 General Contractor Services for Dunwoody SWAT Garage Project.
- Notice of Intent to Award issued for RFQ 26-02 Construction Management At-Risk Services for Dunwoody Homecoming Park.

- Notice of Intent to Award issued for RFP 26-03 Program Management Support Services in Dunwoody.
- Six (6) bid responses received for ITB 26-05 Trailway Wayfinding Project for Public Works.
- Notice to Proceed issued for Dunwoody Knoll Drive - Mini Roundabout Design for Public works.
- Notice to Proceed issued for Spruill Center for the Arts Window Replacement.

TECHNOLOGY

Major Projects:

- Helpdesk migration: final stages
- Security migration: final stages
- SharePoint Migration – The scheduled completion date is Q4 2026
- Public Works Respond App – in progress
- UPS Refresh – final stages
- Starlink – final stages
- RoomAlerts – in progress
- Resiliency Plan – in process
- Phone Migration – phase 2 kicking off
- Dunwoodyga.gov ADA compliance – in process
- Council Chambers A/V upgrades – planning for January 2027
- Central Square Comm Dev – phase 2 awaiting schedule
- Central Square PD – final migration pending Central Square schedule
- GIS Strategic Plan – under review
- AI Policy – final review
- IT Audit – working with audit committee
- Security Assessment – planned for 4th quarter 2026

Department Items:

- Central Square Freedom Project – pending final migration of MDS
- Accounts Payable (AP) Automation – paused for Finance Dept.
- GMIS Accreditation – stage 1 completed
- Data Classification – paused due to workload
- What Works Cities Certification Assessment – paused due to workload

Data:

- The tech support received 414 tickets during this period.
- The tech support resolved 364 tickets during this period.
- We resolved 2 potential early alert security complaints without incident.
- We received 36 responses to feedback requests, and all were positive reviews.
- The department hosted 19 zoom meetings during this period.
- There were 72 projects in process during this period.
- Currently, 169 users are being managed.

- There are 747 devices (201 - computers, 62 – alternate laptops, 77 - network devices, 147 – cell phones and tablets, and 260 desk phones) being managed.

CITY CLERK

Department Data:

- Processed 808 open records requests in the month of July.
- Processed 5 contracts during the month of July.
- Prepared all agendas, summaries, minutes, and associated procedures that were held during the month of July:
 - One Art Commission
 - Three City Council
 - One Development Authority
- Staff reviewed and approved the financial transactions and expenditures for the City Council and City Clerk's office for the month of July.

MUNICIPAL COURT

Department Data:

- 825 citations filed. Disposed of over 636 cases and reset 39 cases.
- Two newly appointed judges, Villard Bastien and Patrick Hall.
- Judge Michael Hawkins was appointed as our Chief Judge.
- Judge Tonya Shy was reappointed for another term.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Highlights:

- The City filled one Police Officer and two Public Safety Ambassador positions.
- Working with the City's benefits broker regarding benefits renewals in preparation for Open Enrollment.
- Published a new edition of the employee newsletter.
- Working with the Finance Department on Total Compensation Statements for all City employees to reflect new pay rates as of July 1st.
- Human Resources and the Wellness Committee hosted a social event and Let's Do Lunch.

Upcoming Events:

- Over the rest of the summer, Human Resources and the Wellness Committee are planning biometric screenings, a financial wellness presentation, and Let's Do Lunch.



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- Annual training for all employees on the City's EEO and No Harassment Policy is scheduled for September.