



Department Report

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Recently Completed:

- Significant stormwater and erosion control work by city crews at Memorial Park Cemetery.



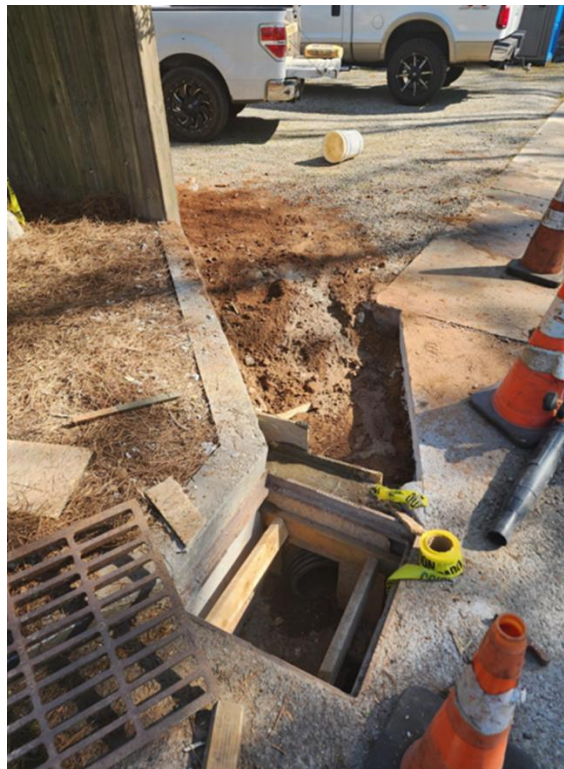
- Vegetation installation at Main & Grove. City staff had to use creativity due to subsurface infrastructure interfering with typical tree planting. Justin Priest constructed another, and this time much larger, mining cart as a planter.



- Pressure washing and re-staining of the Hancock Park pavilion and diving bell structure.



- Repair of a shared city and private storm drain inlet on Martin Street cooperatively by the City and homeowner.



- Placement of fresh mulch at multiple locations throughout downtown.



Ongoing:

- City Park Playground renovation bid process.
- School-to-School sidewalk and intersection improvements GDOT LAP bid process.
- Boat Ramp Picnic Area beautification bid process.
- Morrison Moore Pedestrian Bridge & Sidewalk.



- Replacement of one block of sidewalk along North Park Street at Hancock Park by city staff.



- Downtown Spring/Summer vegetation planting.



- Cleanup of dead and unsightly vegetation at Mount Hope Cemetery.



- Memorial Park Cemetery lot layout. New lots have been preliminarily laid out and await installation of plot markers by volunteers with City staff guidance. Following this, staff will work with City legal counsel to determine following steps to prepare the plots for sale and present to City Council.



- Golden Avenue storm drain. The culvert and street redesign files have been sent to GDOT for coordination into the Yahoola Bridge project.

Upcoming (these projects are currently either in concept, design or construction phase):

- Coordination with GDOT regarding Yahoola Bridge replacement, South Chestatee slope repair in multiple locations and the Auraria/Torrington intersection improvements.