

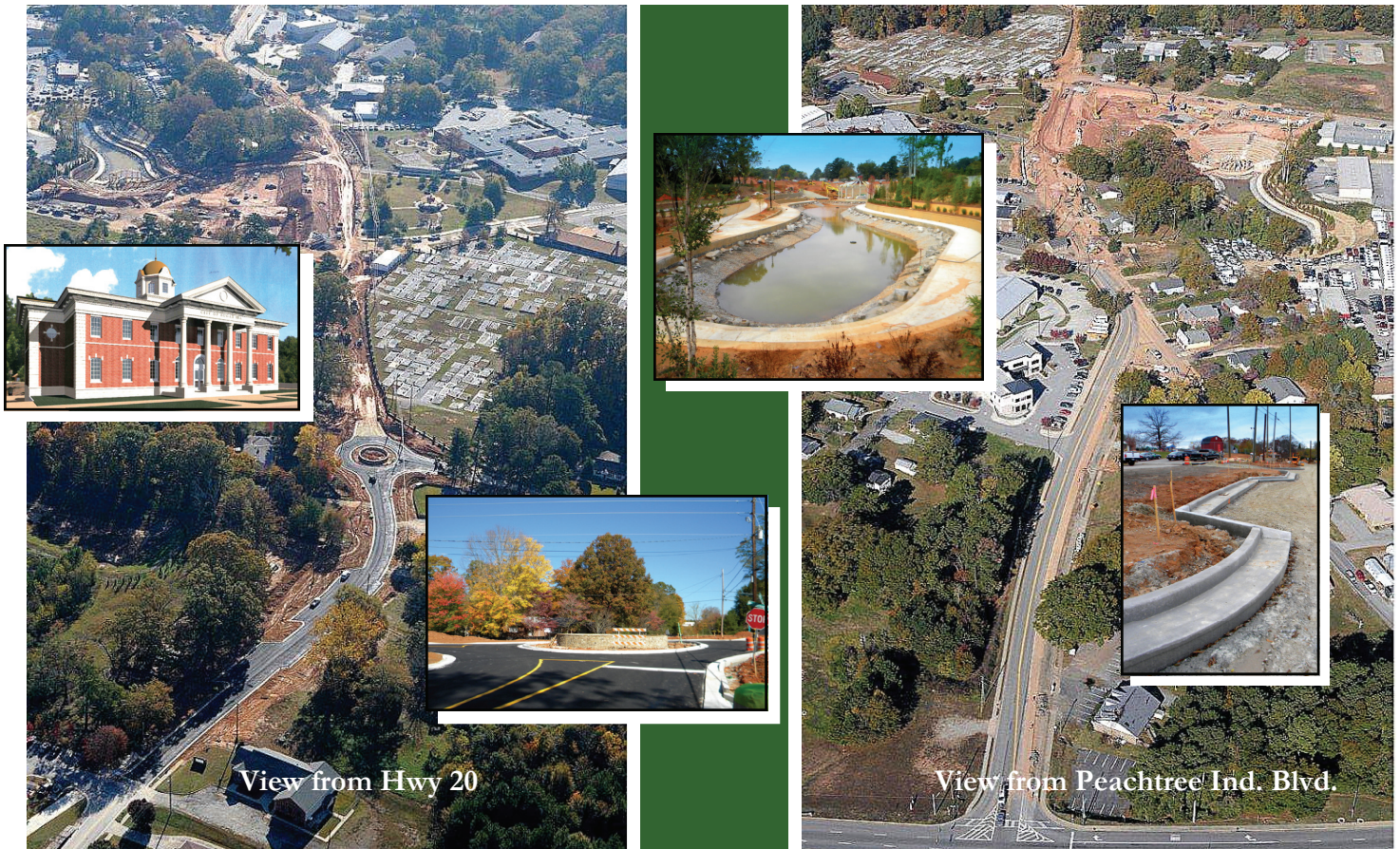


## ***ONE STEP CLOSER TO OUR NEW CITY HALL***

The City of Sugar Hill celebrated the groundbreaking of our new City Hall. Over the past two years the project has been in the planning and developing phase including discussions around ideas and concepts for the appearance and layout of the building. The Mayor and City Council interviewed over a dozen firms before awarding the contract to Precision Planning to design and architect the new facility. The group went through many design reviews until we finalized the construction plans. In addition we interviewed several construction firms, and ultimately selected a partnership of Van Winkle & Associates and Reeves Construction to build our new City Hall



City Clerk Jane Whittington, Councilman Curtis Northrup, Councilwoman Susie Gajewski, Mayor Gary Pirkle, City Manager Bob Hail, Mayor Pro-Tem Councilman Marc Cohen, Councilman Mike Sullivan, Councilman Steve Edwards



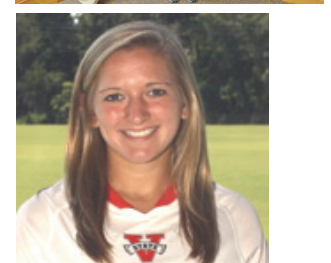
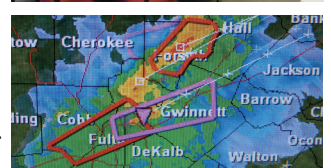
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**News Bites:**

- Please remember the less fortunate among us this Holiday season by bringing canned goods and other non perishable food to the City Hall or Recreation Center collection boxes for the North Gwinnett Pantry. In addition to food, there is an impending need to provide new, unwrapped toys to give to needy children during the holiday season. Student from the North Gwinnett High School DECA organization are again managing the annual Toys for Tots campaign for the North Gwinnett and Lanier area cluster schools. This US Marine Corps Program sends a message of hope to the less fortunate children. North Gwinnett DECA is one of the largest DECA chapters in the state of Georgia with over 250+ members. Since 1999, NG DECA has had a strong focus on developing student leadership, business, marketing, and management skills. NG DECA focuses on hands-on learning and the real world application of textbook concepts. Collection boxes for toys and food are located in City Hall.
- Councilman Mike Sullivan was “Principal For a Day” at the new Lanier High School. Mike spent time with Principal Kerensa Wing watching and learning how technology has advanced in the classroom to the use of Power Point presentations. He also spent some one on one time with students in the LDC Lab where language skills are developed. Photo: Mike Sullivan, students Jason Choi and Xaina Pujada.- Principal Kerensa Wing
- Mayor Pro-Tem Councilman Marc Cohen served as “Principal For a Day” at Lanier Middle School. Marc spent time with the students and staff under the direction of Principal Jaime Espinosa. The day was filled with classroom visits and discussions on how to incorporate business practices into the thriving educational environment. In the photo at the right, Marc is participating in a meeting of Lanier Middle Council.
- We experienced our first severe weather occurrence recently as tornados were seen in several Georgia counties. We were able to track the storm in our weather center and watched as potential tornados developed. The National Weather Service set off our sirens when the alert covered Gwinnett County. (Photo of our computer screen.) Our sirens even inspired a local 6 year old resident to become a siren for Halloween. Evan Bier has become one of our most enthusiastic siren supporters visiting all six sites. He has been excited to hear the sirens, although he declined to emulate the sirens for the City Council. (photo M&C with Evan )
- In Valdosta State's inaugural soccer season, Arielle Sabina, Abbi Edwards and Emily Cooper all took home All-Gulf South Conference honors. Abbi Edwards (daughter of Councilman Steve Edwards) was named the Gulf South Conference Freshman of the Year. Although she only scored one goal this season, it was a pivotal game winner. Coupled with her two assists she amassed four points on the season. She rifled 22 shots on the year, placing 10 of them on goal. Throughout the season, Edwards was the pulse of the team in the middle of the field. She also earned All-GSC Second Team honors.



Photo: L-R : Rebecca Powell, Megan White, Marc Cohen, Cathy Lefebvre, Brittany Dutka,



<p><b>2011 Meeting Schedule :</b></p> <p><b>December / January 2012</b></p> <p><b>December 5 / January 3</b> 7:00 PM, City Council Work Session - City Hall Annex</p> <p><b>December 6 / January 10</b> 4:00 PM, City Court Session, City Hall Annex</p>	<p><b>December 12 / January 9</b> 7:30 PM, City Council Meeting, City Hall Annex</p> <p><b>December 19 / January 17</b> 7:00 PM, Planning and Zoning Meeting, City Hall Annex</p> <p><b>January 31</b> 6:30 PM, Downtown Development Authority, City Hall Annex</p>	<p>Everyone is invited to attend Sugar Hill's monthly Work Sessions and Council Meetings. All meetings for the City of Sugar Hill will be held in the City Hall Annex located at 4988 West Broad Street, next to City Hall. Your comments, suggestions and support will help make your city a community to be proud of</p>	<p>Videos of our monthly City Council meetings are shown on Charter Cable channel 19, @ 6:30 pm, every 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday of each month.</p> <p>Agendas and meeting minutes can be found on the Sugar Hill website at: <a href="http://www.cityofsugarhill.com">www.cityofsugarhill.com</a>.</p>
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