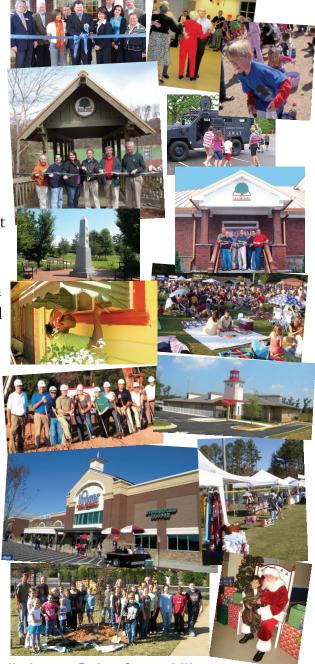
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2010, The Year In Review

2010 was an eventful year with the opening of our major park, the 67 acre Gary Pirkle Park, and the opening of the largest Kroger Superstore in Georgia. We put into motion the start of significant changes to our City with the groundbreaking of the West Broad Street Retention Pond and hiring of the local architectural firm Precision Planning to design a new City Hall. We also awarded the contract to build the "streetscape" that will transform West Broad Street with wide sidewalks, streetlamps, onstreet parking to Reeves Contracting, that did an excellent job on the E.E. Robinson Park expansion. We reviewed many construction firms before awarding the contract to build the new City Hall to Van Winkle Construction with Reeves Contracting as the prime sub-contractor. With all this ongoing 2011 promises to be even more challenging as we transform West Broad Street into what we hope to be Sugar Hill's downtown, the continued work on our parks and our yearly slate of City wide events. Photos top - bottom: January opening of Benton House assisted living facility. February, Senior Valentine Dance. March, Gary Pirkle Park opens and annual Easter Egg Hunt. April, "Touch a Truck". May, Sugar Hill Golf Clubhouse opening. June, Armed Services monument was enlarged in the Town Green. July, "Sparks in the Park", the World Changers repaired 10 homes in Sugar Hill. August, the Lighthouse day care center opened. September, we broke ground on the West Broad St. retention pond. October, Kroger grand opening, annual Fall Festival. November, Tree planting by Sugar Hill Elementary. December, Holiday Festival



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Dry weather screening detects illicit discharges

The City of Sugar Hill implements a variety of programs to comply with state and federal stormwater regulations. One of these programs is the Dry Weather Screening program, which is intended to help detect illicit discharges or illegal connections to the storm sewer system.

Dry weather screening entails checking stormwater outfalls throughout the City after at least 72 hours of dry weather to ensure that no hazardous substances are flowing out of the City-owned pipes/structures and into state waters, including streams, rivers and lakes. An outfall is the last structure, usually a pipe outlet, in a storm sewer system owned by the City that discharges into state waters (including most streams, rivers and lakes). The purpose is to detect illicit flow during dry weather, since no rainwater should be flowing through the system. When flow is detected, an investigator measures fluoride, detergent, pH, temperature and conductivity levels in the water, and if the flow is determined to be an illicit discharge, the investigator traces the flow upstream to find its origin.

If the source is found and the responsible party identified, the City will then enforce the Illicit Discharge and Illegal Connection Ordinance to stop the discharge. To report illicit discharges in the storm drainage system, call the City Stormwater Department at 770-271-2137, or visit the City's website at: <u>www.cityofsugarhill.com</u> and click on the <u>Sugar Hill</u> <u>C.A.R.E.S.</u> icon to complete a request form.

For more information, please contact the City's Stormwater Department at 770-271-2137.





News Bites:

- The City was awarded the American Public Gas Association Safety Award for recognition of our successful efforts our system has made to ensure the safety of our employees and consumers and the integrity of our gas system for the year. Johnny Upchurch, our Gas Supervisor, holds the plaque. Johnny stated that we have been awarded the safety certificate every year he can remember due to our diligence in our maintaining a safe gas system.
- The City of Sugar Hill Recreation Department has issued the list of community programs and classes for early spring with some programs starting in January. Please check our web site or call 770-831-7413 for more information.
- The Senior Valentine's Dance starts the season on Saturday, February 5, 2011 from 7 9:30pm at the Community Center. There will be refreshments, Valentine pictures and Live entertainment by "The Junction".

Meeting Schedule 2011:

January / February 2011

January 3 / February 7 7:00 PM, City Council Work Session - City Hall Annex

January 11 / February 1 4:00 PM, City Court Session, City Hall Annex January 10 / February 14 7:30 PM, City Council Meeting, City Hall Annex

January 18 / February 21 7:00 PM, Planning and Zoning Meeting, City Hall Annex

January 25 6:30 PM, Downtown Development Authority, City Hall Annex 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

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.

Agendas and meeting minutes can be found on the Sugar Hill website at: <u>www.cityofsugarhill.com</u>.

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