



## Reminders And Information July 2012

### KNOW YOUR CITY CODE

We are using this section of our newsletter to familiarize residents with content found in the official City Code book. We will periodically print selected sections. See back for additional City Code. For a full version of the City's Code, please visit [www.mountainpark-ga.gov](http://www.mountainpark-ga.gov).



#### Sec 2.40. – **Action requiring an ordinance or resolution**

a) Except as herein provided, every official action of the city council shall be exercised only by affirmative vote of the mayor and city council as further described in [section 2.33](#) of this Charter or adoption of ordinances and resolutions.

(b) Each proposed ordinance or resolution shall be introduced in writing and in the form required for final adoption. No ordinance shall contain more than one (1) subject which shall be clearly expressed in its title. The enacting clause shall be "The council of the City of Mountain Park hereby ordains ...."

(c) An ordinance or resolution may be introduced by any member of the city council and read at a regular or special meeting of the city council. Ordinances and resolutions shall be considered, adopted, or rejected by the city council in accordance with the rules which it shall establish. Resolutions may be adopted at the regular or special meeting of the city council at which they are introduced. Ordinances shall not be finally adopted until the next regular meeting of the city council following the meeting of their initial introduction, except for emergency ordinances. Upon introduction of any ordinance, the clerk shall distribute a copy to the mayor and to each councilman and shall file a reasonable number of copies in the office of the clerk and at such other public places as the city council may designate.

*(Ord. No. 251-02, § 1, 6-17-2002; Ord. No. 278-05, § 1, 2-28-2005)*

#### A MESSAGE FROM YOUR MAYOR

**Next Dumpster Day is  
August 6**

I hope you are enjoying our beautiful City this summer. I'd like to take this time to thank the members of the Civic Club, MPVFR, Recreational Department and the citizens of Mountain Park for making the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration a great success. Your time and generosity is an asset to our community.

Sincerely,

Jim Still

## **PROPOSED FULTON COUNTY TAX INCREASE**

A public hearing on the 2012 General Fund Millage Rate is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11, 2012 in the Assembly Hall of the Fulton County Government Center. It will be video conferenced, allowing residents to participate at the North Fulton Government Service Center, 7741 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, GA.

## **ELECTION INFORMATION**

Please visit <http://mvp.sos.state.ga.us/> to check the status of your voter registration. You must be registered by **October 9, 2012** to be able to vote in the **November 6, 2012 General Election**. Voter Registration forms are available at City Hall.

## ***FIREWORKS DONATIONS***

If you would like to make a donation for the fireworks, please bring it to City Hall. You may make checks payable to the City of Mountain Park.

## **UTILITY PAYMENTS**

In order to avoid late fees your account must be paid by 9:00 a.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of each month.

- If you have your check drafted by your bank please make sure to set the date for 5-6 business days before the first.
- If you need to make an emergency payment to avoid late fees or disconnection, you may use paypal and send the payment to [sales.enterprise@mountainpark-ga.gov](mailto:sales.enterprise@mountainpark-ga.gov). Add fees of 2.9% plus .30 cents or choose personal payment if you have a paypal account . Please put your account number in the box for additional messages.

## **Garbage Pickup on Thursday**

Please place your containers on the street no earlier than 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday the night before and remove them from the street no later than 8:00 a.m. on the following Friday morning. If there is a problem with your garbage pickup, please call City Hall within 24 hours.

## **City Hall will be closed for Labor Day September 3, 2012**

**POOL TAGS** – Don't forget to purchase your season pass at City Hall. It's a great deal at \$53.50 for adults, \$42.80 for children or \$214.00 for a family pass.

**SIREN TEST** – There is a Siren Test the first Wednesday of every month at **12:00 noon**.

**Keep Mountain Park Beautiful** – If you see a street sign that needs to be cleaned, near your property, consider cleaning it. If you see weeds near street signs, in front of your property, consider removing them. Thank you!

## Code Compliance Reminders

1. The Code Compliance Officer for the City of Mountain Park will issue a citation to dog owners whose dogs are found to be off their leashes in public areas.
2. Please remember residences are required to have street numbers which are clearly visible from the street to pedestrians and vehicles going in either direction. If cited the residence will be fined \$10.00 for each day until in compliance.

## DUMPSTER DAY INFORMATION

As a service to our residents, the City of Mountain Park provides a dumpster on the first Saturday of every month. This is a first come, first serve basis. In order to ensure that it is available to all please adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Must provide proof of residence in the City of Mountain Park.
2. One truckload or trailer load per residence.
3. All yard debris must be cut into 3 feet sections or less.
4. There is a Metal Recycler onsite to take scrap metal.

## Outdoor Water Use Information

On June 1, 2010, Governor Perdue signed the Water Stewardship Act into law. The law has provisions for landscape watering. You may water landscapes any day between the hours of 4PM and 10 AM. The odd /even schedule is currently still in place for other outdoor uses such as car washing or at home pressure washing. Even addresses may use water for purposes other than landscape watering on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, Odd addresses may use water on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Sundays. New Landscape Exemption - Newly installed landscape may be watered every day for 30 days without hourly restrictions.

## Maintenance of City Ditches

The roads and streets of Mountain Park are lined by ditches which together form an extensive storm water system serving the entire city. It is the homeowner's responsibility to maintain the culvert at your street. Please do your part and help us maintain the City's ditches and keep them free flowing.

1. **Include the ditches in the front of your house in your yard maintenance schedule.** Keep them open to allow the free flow of water.
2. **Keep all vegetation in the ditches trimmed and pruned.** This will help with drainage as well as keeping vegetation out of the City right of way.
3. **Please do not rake leaves into the ditches.** Compost your leaves in the back yard or use them as natural ground cover around your shrubs. It's Mother Nature's way of helping your plants fight the drought. (call City Hall or John McLaughlin if you need help setting up a composting program in your yard) If composting is not an option you can bag them and bring them to the dumpster by the pool the first Saturday of each month.
4. **Keep your driveway culverts open and free flowing.** Remove loose leaves from the ditch around your culvert openings. Leaves may wash into the culvert opening and can block the free flow of water.