



DISTRICT 4 2021 Year in Review

January



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All-Female Cobb County Board of Commissioners Evidence of Georgia's Changing Political Landscape

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The Board of Commissioners made history on January 1 as Cobb County's first all-female Board of Commissioners.

On January 4 Commissioner Sheffield and her assistant Deedra Watts rolled up their sleeves to begin her four-year term. After just a couple of weeks in office, the commissioner determined that her brand of leadership for a successful tenure would incorporate the 3Cs of governing; Constituents, Community and County.

The first month kicked off with public hearings and adopting revisions of the county's Comprehensive Plan. The all-female BOC was met with public safety challenges as COVID-19 cases were on the rise. In the best interest of the general public, the Board of Commissioners adopted the hybrid meeting model by hosting meeting virtually and in person. The BOC voted unanimously to approve all of January's agenda items.



February

We kicked off our monthly “In the Zone” community zoning meetings. The ITZ meetings are hosted by Commissioner Sheffield and the District 4 Planning Commissioner (Galt Porter through May 2021 – Michael Hughes, May 2021 – present). The commissioners tag team to provide zoning updates to D4 constituents and provide a platform for their voices to be heard.

The meetings are great way stay abreast of development in the district and to meet the applicant and/or the applicant’s representation in advance of the zoning meetings.

The virtual zoning meetings are hosted on the fourth Wednesday of every month. Email Deedra.watts@cobbcounty.org to request a meeting link. Zoning meetings are held on the third Tuesday (except for January) at 9 a.m. in the Board of Commissioners meeting room at 100 Cherokee Street, Suite 200. Marietta, GA 30090.



IN THE ZONE
DISTRICT 4 ZONING

A summary of District 4’s 2021 zoning cases will be coming soon.



March



Former Atlanta Falcons running back, Warrick Dunn in collaboration with Habitat for Humanity, Aaron's Rental, and many other sponsors provided a new home to District 4 resident, Ms. Esmalili and her children. The Austell home is one of the first Habitat homes to have two stories. Mr. Dunn provided the family with a downpayment for the home as well as with new furnishings, appliances, food, cleaning supplies and a symbolic warm apple pie as a reflection of the American Dream.



County and community collaboration struck twice in the month of March.

The first was the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Silver Comet Trail (SCT) in Austell off Austell Road near Drennon Avenue. The improvement provides a new access point to the SCT. A special thanks to DeBorah Johnson, Chair Emeritus, Austell Community Taskforce and District 4 resident Lolita Dixon, the residents at the adjacent townhouse community now have a safe entry point onto the trail.



District 4 celebrated the opening of the long-awaited Discovery Park at the RiverLine. The Cobb Board of Commissioners was joined by PARKS Recreation Board, the RiverLine group and members of the Mableton Improvement Coalition. The 150-acre passive park includes more than one mile of river frontage alongside the Chattahoochee River and a variety of well-preserved Civil War-era earthworks.

A portion of the property has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places and has deed restrictions which allow only its use as a historic park with passive recreation and interpretation.

April



The news of the MLB moving its All-Star game out of Cobb County in opposition to Georgia's voting laws reverberated countrywide. Commissioner Sheffield discussed the issue with Joe Donlon of Chicago-based WGN-TV NewsNation Now.

The Board of Commissioners could not have crafted a better ending to this story. Go Braves!!!



The Mableton Town Square Park ribbon cutting ceremony was a well-attended event on one of April's brightest and most beautiful days. Residents welcomed the new one-acre pocket park nestled on Church Street in the center of the original downtown Mableton. The park was created as part of a long-range master plan aimed at re-imagining Mableton's historic center. The park is adjacent to the Mableton Elementary School which makes for a great location for kids, teachers and school personnel to enjoy a bit of sun and greenery at breaktime.

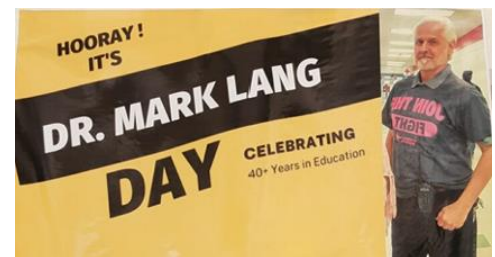


May

District 4's first townhall was held at the Cobb County Public Safety Police Training Academy in Austell. Commissioner Sheffield provided updates which included progress on approved development, pending zoning applications, and 2022 SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) projects. Dr. Janet Memark of Cobb and Douglas Public Health provided an information session on the COVID-19 pandemic and her team administered the vaccine at the meeting. Cobb DOT provided details for the Cobb Transportation Plan (CTP) and Kimberly White with Keep Cobb Beautiful discussed litter prevention and a timeline for the prevention initiatives.



Commissioner Sheffield joined the faculty at Smitha Middle School on Friday, May 14, for Dr. Lang Day! After serving in education for 40 years, 22 of which has been at Smitha, Dr. Lang decided that it was time to close the history book permanently by retiring. Dr. Lang loves the Pittsburgh Steelers, so faculty and students wore yellow and black to show their team spirit in honor of his special day. Thank you, Dr. Lang for your commitment and dedication to the District 4 students. You will be missed.



June



The Trust for Public Land hosted several Chattahoochee RiverLands Ramble tours to introduce the community to the area's bold vision of its 100-mile trail along the Chattahoochee River. The project is a collaboration among the Atlanta Regional Commission, Cobb County, and the City of Atlanta. The site of the south Cobb portion of the proposed greenway will be in Mableton and Smyrna. The trailhead will run parallel to the river from Mableton Parkway up through Riverview Landing. The project received a \$9 million gift from the Robert Woodruff Foundation and will potentially received funds from the recently passed Build Back Better Act which will help bridge the park equity gap across America.



The Riverside neighborhood community opened its family-friendly garden for residents to learn gardening skills, grow food and relationships. It is a family-friendly environment that offers many educational opportunities to south Cobb residents. The new neighborhood garden is located at 875 Riverside Parkway, Austell at the South Cobb Community Center.





July



The Board of Commissioners presented a Certificate of Achievement to District 4's Olympian Kenneth Selmon. Kenneth participated in the Tokyo Olympics to compete in the 400-metres hurdles. Unfortunately, Kenny didn't bring home the gold, but he has won a huge fan base in our district who will continue to support him on his journey.

Before going to the Olympics, he won the USA Outdoor Championship in 2018 and represented his country at the 2018 Athletics World Cup in London, where he won the 400 metres hurdles.



There were a lot of fun events that took place in July. The month kicked off with Chairwoman Cupid and the Board of Commissioners at the Fourth of July parade at the Marietta Square. Sheriff Craig Owens participated in the event adorning his cherished cowboy hat.



CAREER FAIR & TENANT FORUM



Presented by District 4 Commissioner Monique Sheffield & Cobb WorkSource Georgia

In collaboration with Worksource Cobb, Commissioner Sheffield hosted her inaugural Career Fair and Tenant Forum at the Cobb County Public Safety Training Academy in late August. There were several employers in attendance that hired applicants at the event.

A special thanks to our non-profit partners MUST Ministries, Sweetwater Mission, Star-C, Center for Family Resources, and HomeSavers for responding to the community's COVID rental assistance questions; the Marietta Housing Authority; NACA (Neighborhood Assistance Corporation of America) to answer home purchase inquiries.

Chief Magistrate Judge Brendan F. Murphy and Cobb's Legal Aid Society were also in attendance to provide free legal advice and assisted with drafting answers to eviction cases. It was Judge Murphy's team first time in providing such service outside of the courthouse.



Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 millage and FY 2022 budget

At the July 13 BOC meeting, Finance Director Bill Volckmann briefed the Cobb Board of Commissioners on the proposed Fiscal Year 2021 millage rate and the Fiscal Year 2022 operating budget. No millage rate increase is anticipated and Volckmann explained how, despite many homes increasing in value, the homestead exemption means most homeowners will not pay any more toward the county's general fund.



Bridging the gap between community and police

The Power of Peace Project partnered with the Precinct 2 police officers and Major Robert Fisher for a cookout with the South Cobb High School football team at the Tramore Village Apartments in Austell.

It was a day filled with fun, food, music and games. There was also a cornhole tournament between police officers and the youth. It was no surprise that our athletic team from South Cobb High School won the tournament and have earned bragging rights against our Precinct 2 police officers.



Keep Cobb Beautiful hosted the WeLoveU Foundation litter clean-up at the East West Connector and Floyd Road. The foundation brought approximately 120 volunteers from all over metro Atlanta to participate in this exciting event. In attendance were many Cobb County officials including Commissioner Sheffield and KCB's Dawn Smith who coordinated the event.

The International WeLoveU Foundation specializes in environmental causes, disaster relief as well as social, senior and childhood welfare. The young volunteers were full of energy and enthusiasm which was inspiring to everyone involved. The volunteers removed 63 bags of litter and other debris from the roadways. Many thanks to Starbucks who donated a lot of coffee and pastries as well as QuikTrip and Target who also donated items. Thanks to all who continue to keep District 4 beautiful.



Cobb EXCEL ribbon cutting ceremony

Congratulations to the 2021 Cobb EXCEL class!

EXCEL is an executive development program designed especially for Cobb County supervisory and management personnel. The objective of the program is the development of competent and informed leaders for the county.

As a class project, the group selected The Center for Children and Young Adults (CCYA) for their class community project. The Cobb EXCEL class provided CCYA with a play area storage structure, a new and improved deck, tree removal and a revitalized garden area to provide a horticulture therapy space for children to enjoy. It was a job well done.



August



Representatives from the Cobb County Board of Commissioners, Georgia General Assembly, Cobb County Board of Education, and Ms. Edna's family (son pictured on right) gathered to dedicate the pedestrian hybrid beacon and crossing island on Veterans Memorial Highway in the memory of Ms. Edna Umeh.

The ceremony was held in front of Lindley Middle School where, on Nov. 30, 2017, Ms. Edna Umeh was fatally struck by a motor vehicle while serving as a crossing guard for the school. Her tragic death prompted a pedestrian-focused road safety audit of the corridor, the installation of safety improvements at this location, and the introduction of "Edna's Law".



The South Cobb Regional Library temporary closed from August – November for major interior and exterior renovations.

The project for the library in Mableton includes a bathroom remodel and substantial plumbing repairs to correct issues with the existing sewer line. The exterior repairs will include restoration of the site's retention pond, which is currently underway, landscape improvements, and updating the parking lot lights to LED fixtures. The landscape project will be completed in spring of 2022.



On August 17 District 4 announced that its very own Mableton residents, Keylan and Erika Mitchell, will bring a long-awaited restaurant option to the community. MOOYAH Burgers, Fries and Shakes will not only come to Mableton, but to Georgia. The Plano, Texas-based company serves fresh, 100% Certified Angus Beef® brand burgers, turkey burgers and lifestyle burgers to include vegan, keto and gluten-free options.

General Manager, Assistant Manager and Shift Lead positions available. Text 2631026 to 31063 to apply.

Commissioner Sheffield had the honor to present Bishop Alan Mushegan Sr. with a proclamation on Sunday, August 22, the Bishop's 50th ministry anniversary. On Aug. 22, 1971, at the age of 22, Alan Mushegan, Sr. was ordained into the Gospel Ministry. In later years Pastor Mushegan earned the designation of Bishop and currently serves the East West Church in Marietta.



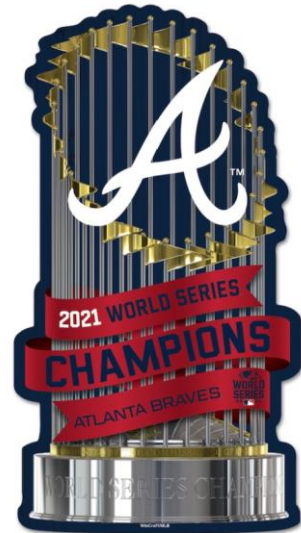
August's schedule was filled with many community and back to school events, vaccination events, community stakeholder meetings, rental canvassing in Austell apartment complexes to provide information for rental resources, Cobb County Police's National Night Out at Jim R. Miller Park, Boys & Girls club events, Junior Achievement facilities tour and Pastor Installation services, and many others.



October

CONGRATULATIONS to our Atlanta Braves for winning the World Series title defeating the Houston Astros 7-0! The year started off rocky, but they pulled it off. It's not how you start off, but how you finish.

1999 was the last time that the Braves competed in the World Series. Prior to that, the Braves won the World Series in 1995. To put things into perspective, in 1995, gas was 70 cents per gallon, (currently: \$3.58), Dow Jones Industrial average was 4,494 (currently: 35,819), the movie Forrest Gump won the Academy Award for Best Picture.



Kudos to Jorge Soler for being named the World Series MVP. Can't help but feel that Hank the "Hammer" Aaron was with us all the way.





Inaugural Osborne Community Trunk-or-Treat

Commissioner Sheffield along with the Cobb County's Neighborhood Safety Committee, community residents and stakeholders hosted her inaugural "Osborne Community Trunk-or-Treat" event on Saturday, Oct. 30.

A special thanks to: Cobb County Sheriff's Office and Cobb County Police for engaging with the children and competing in some of our fun games. Also, a big thank you to Cobb library staff for the mobile library and complimentary book giveaway. Thanks to the Legacy of West Cobb for providing food, drinks and trunk-or-treat goodies, and Second Chance Bail Bond company for grilling hotdogs and bringing extra treats. A special thanks to NSC and Cynthia Edwards, District 4's NSC appointee for her tireless efforts to ensure a successful event; to Superman (aka Rich Pellegrino) for stopping by to exhibit his superpowers; John Williams of the Osborne-Milford Civic Association, to Superior Court Candidate Tannesha Marshall for taking a break from the campaign trail, and the kids that made it all worth it. We look forward to seeing you in 2022.

The Board of Commissioners approved an agenda item in October to purchase three parcels to create a 20-acre assemblage for the future site of the Osborne-Milford Community Center. Community engagement will be solicited for feedback on how the new center can best fits the needs of the immediate area.

Austell and Marietta community beautification



Our morning of community service started at the Dunkin' Donuts on the East West Connector in Austell. The group fueled up with coffee and donuts before transforming the corridor. A special thanks to Cobb DOT, District 4 residents, and Keep Cobb Beautiful's Dawn Smith, KCB appointees - Jeff Padgett and Monique Jenkins for assisting in the Austell/Marietta clean-up on Saturday, Oct. 16. We collected 1,320 pounds of litter along the East West Connector from Powder Springs Road to Austell Road. Stay tuned for a district-wide spring cleaning in 2022.

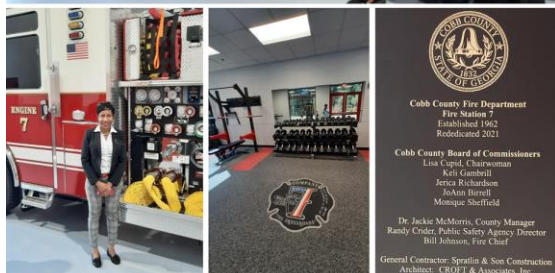


Fire Station #7

The newly built Fire Station #7 is located next door to the older station at 850 Hurt Road, Austell, which has since been demolished.

Fire Station 7 was built with SPLOST funding and replaces the old Station 7, which was opened in 1960. The new facility features four bays, and four different training options at the facility, and will house Engine 7, our southside Technical Rescue Team and our Collapse Truck.

The station is equipped with exercise and entertainment facilities for the physical and mental well-being of our firefighters. We look forward to utilizing the new location for future community events.



November



Veterans Affairs, Georgia Department of Veteran Services, and Cobb County Government honored female veterans on Nov. 6, at Jim R. Miller Park in Marietta. Four female veterans who served in the armed forces during WWII, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the most recent wars in Iraq and Afghanistan shared their experiences and memories while serving.

Commissioner Sheffield hosted an informational townhall with Cobb Police and Cobb DOT at the Cobb County Public Safety Training Academy on Nov. 10. Cobb DOT provided District 4 residents with its transportation and mobility plans and garnered feedback from the attendees. Cobb Police presented the latest in law enforcement technology, dispelled myths about police practices and provided safety practices to those in attendance.

Cobb County District 4 Commissioner Monique Sheffield
& Cobb County Police Department Present

TECHNOLOGY & SAFETY TOWN HALL

Wednesday, Nov 10
6:30 - 8 p.m.

Cobb County Public Safety Training Center
2435 East-West Connector, Austell.
*Refreshments will be served.

Cobb County Board of Commissioners and Cobb Police have implemented technology to keep you safe. Join Commissioner Sheffield and Deputy Police Chief VanHoozer to:

Learn how law enforcement uses technology to combat crime.	Learn which crimes are trending in your community.	Learn which actions you take to make Cobb County safer.
Learn about Cobb County Police Department policies.	Learn about technology and privacy concerns. <small>Can the two co-exist?</small>	



SHAPE THE FUTURE

COBB COUNTY'S
TRANSPORTATION & MOBILITY PLANS

Get to know the two plans being presented at town hall meetings. Both plans will generate new revenue to implement CTP recommendations.

Be a part of the process. After hearing about the plans, county staff will provide information on how you can send in feedback to help shape Cobb MSPLOST options. Those options will be presented to the Cobb County Board of Commissioners for consideration.

Recommendations

- Cobb County 2050 Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP) update
- Cobb Mobility Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (MSPLOST)

MEETING DATES

November 4 at 6 p.m.
North Cobb Regional Library
3535 Old 41 Highway NW
Kennesaw

November 9 at 6 p.m.
Switzer Library
265 Roswell Street, NE
Marietta

November 10 at 6:30 p.m.
Cobb County Public Safety Police Academy
2435 East-West Connector
Austell

November 30 at 6 p.m.
Fuller's Park Recreation Center
3499 Robinson Rd
Marietta





Commissioner Sheffield, in partnership with industry leaders hosted her inaugural “Path to Home Ownership Summit.” There were breakout sessions that included credit counseling, budgeting, mortgage lending and the step-by-step process once a purchase contract has been submitted to the seller. A special thanks to our partners ABBA Associates, Inc., Department of Community Affairs, iThink Financial, Jeniffer Jerral of Jerral Realty Group, Marietta Housing Authority, Money Management International, and Demetrius Lockett of Southeast Mortgage.

We continue to receive testimonies from participants and how they were able to apply what they learned to help put them on the path to homeownership.

Wealth building is not the only benefit to owning a home. Home ownership will stabilize families, boost the educational performance of children, and help to achieve upward socioeconomic mobility. Stay tuned for our 2022 Path to Home Ownership Summit.





CITIZENS OF THE YEAR

Citizen of the Year Awards are given to honor an individual whose impact through the years will be recognized and regarded with pride throughout the area as a role model. These outstanding citizens are chosen for their definable, exceptional deeds, with which he or she has made their community a better place to live. Awards are given to deserving individuals based on local area nominations. There were two District 4 residents that were honored as citizens of the year. And, the winners are:

AUSTELL CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Malcolm Lewis, Pastor of Beacon of Light Ministries and Owner of Cenacle Coffee Shop and Bestway Financial Services, is an engaged and active member of the Austell community who shows his passion for the community through everything he does.

After moving Beacon of Light Ministries to the area in 2008 and purchasing two buildings to open Cenacle Coffee Shop and Bestway Financial Services in 2015, Lewis has been instrumental in the revitalization efforts of downtown Austell. During the start of the pandemic, when many in the community were left hungry due to the shelter in place mandate, Lewis opened the Cenacle's doors and offered hot meals to anyone in need.

Passionate about education and entrepreneurship, Lewis is proposing to fund a Private Middle School in Austell. Lewis was an Austell Business Association Board Member 2016-2020 and has been a part of the Austell Community Collaborative since 2015. As a former Veteran, Lewis has helped celebrate and honor local Veterans each year at the annual Veterans Day event held in Veterans Park. Lewis has continuously contributed to the wellbeing of the Austell community through his servitude and giving spirit.

MABLETON CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Robin Meyer, Chairwoman Emeritus of the Mableton Improvement Coalition, is a crucial fixture within the Mableton community. A founding member of the Mableton Improvement Coalition since 2001, she has served in numerous leadership roles, including Chairwoman, President, Secretary, and head of Zoning Committee.

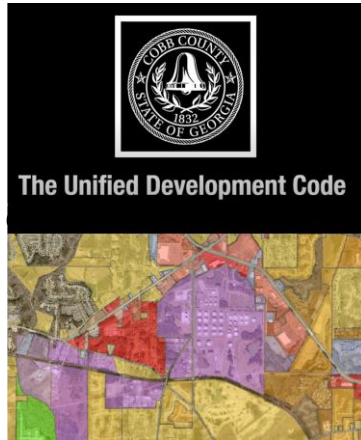
Meyer has worked tirelessly for over 20 years to serve and help in the redevelopment of the Mableton community. She has helped countless residents with issues ranging from homelessness, code enforcement, traffic, litter, and more. Additionally, Meyer has written several grant applications resulting in the historic preservation of local parks, as well as development of new parks, and continues to work with Cobb County Government and developers on zoning applications for the redevelopment of Mableton.

Meyer also helped found Mableton Community Garden, Mableton Farmer's Market, and Mableton Community Fund. She has selflessly dedicated more than two decades of service to help improve the quality of Mableton and the wellbeing of its citizens. Congratulations Pastor Lewis and Robin for your recognized work in District 4.



December

The proposed Unified Development Code



On Dec. 8 Chairwoman Cupid outlined the proposed Unified Development Code. The virtual town hall can be found on CobbTV's YouTube channel and on Facebook.

What is the UDC? The UDC is a common tool used by governments across the country to bring various regulations into one master document to streamline procedures and avoid overlapping regulations.

To learn more about the Unified Development Code, what it is and what it is not, please visit cobbcounty.org.

Congratulations to Chelsea for a job well done

A big shout out to STING's Alumni Director Chelsea Danielle Williams. Williams graduated cum laude on Wednesday, Dec. 15 from Kennesaw State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Health Education. A member of the youth nonprofit organization since its inception in 2009, she attended the first Girls' Mountain Retreat in 2010, participated in college tour road trips and contributed to many community service projects. She has facilitated numerous leadership sessions, most notably the Underage Drinking Prevention Town Hall sponsored by SAMHSA. Williams has acted as a behind-the-scenes advisor for a large number of STING, Inc.'s endeavors.

Williams is a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, a certified Peer Health Educator, a Peer Health Outreach & Wellness Leader, a member of the NCNW, Inc. and was on the President's List and Dean's List. We congratulate her on this major accomplishment.

Sting, Inc. is a 501(c)(3), nonprofit organization that was created in South Cobb County, Georgia for the purpose of providing mentoring and enrichment programs for youth between the ages of 11-18. Their goal is to make a difference in the lives of youth and encourage them to live productive and balanced lives.





South Cobb Redevelopment Authority community meeting

The SCRA hosted a community meeting to provide an update on redevelopment plans at the site of the former Magnolia Crossing apartments on Riverside Parkway. A representative from the proposed developer, Dominion, presented plans to build 557 affordable housing units that will include 263 units for seniors.

There were differing opinions regarding the proposal. The community has long desired a mixed-use development on the 50 acres of land to include homeownership, retail and banking. According to Doug Stoner, chair of the SCRA, the immediate area lacks quality affordable housing, access to healthcare and fresh food. The community asserts that it also lacks banking. According to the SCRA, homeownership and a fresh food grocer is still on the table as the current proposal will not utilize all 50 acres. Cobb-Douglas Public Health as a potential partner will build a 25,000 square foot medical facility. The chair acknowledges that a lack of banking is an issue in the area but shared with the audience that it would be challenging to bring a bank to the area as banks continue to consolidate as online banking becomes more convenient.

The residents that live in the neighboring apartments on Riverside Parkway and homeowners in nearby subdivisions are excited about the prospect of having new apartments in the area as they believe the current inventory is not properly maintained by the owners and has an adverse impact on their property values. The SCRA was established under the authority of the State of Georgia to revitalize and redevelop areas in south Cobb including the Cobb Hospital, Mableton, River Line along the Chattahoochee River, and Six Flags Drive (Riverside Parkway). The SCRA has authority to issue bonds and assist in financing infrastructure improvements that will foster economic growth and vitality in south Cobb.

The following project brochure is from Dominion for the proposed development.



At Dominion we specialize in the development of affordable housing for seniors and families. With our Southeast office stationed in Atlanta, we are excited to propose a development that will benefit both seniors and working families in Cobb County. The development we are proposing, located on Riverside Parkway, will consist of approximately 294 units of affordable family housing, and 263 anticipated units of senior affordable housing that will also consist of a commercial outbuilding utilized as a community service facility for senior day care and potential other uses. There will be homes for residents at 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI).

The Riverside Parkway development will include separate phases for the Senior and Family component. As currently proposed, the senior development will consist of a 5-story double-loaded corridor apartment building with 127 one-bedroom units, 112 two-bedroom units, 24 three-bedroom units, and 32 1-story senior cottages. The family development will consist of a 3-4 story split garden style walk-up apartment building with 14 one-bedroom units, 126 two-bedroom units, and 126 three-bedroom units.

Highlights of our senior amenities include: theater, salon, fitness room, courtyard, community service facility/senior day care and grilling & picnic pavilion. Highlights of our family amenities include: playgrounds, fitness center, pool, and community kitchen.



NAME:

Riverside Parkway
Austell, GA

TYPE OF PROJECT:

263* Age-Restricted Apartments (55+)
294* Family Apartments
60% AMI
*Anticipated

ARCHITECT:

BKV Group

DOMINIUM'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Real Estate Development
Project Financing
Design and Construction Management
Property Management
Section 42 Compliance

SELLER:

South Cobb Redevelopment Authority

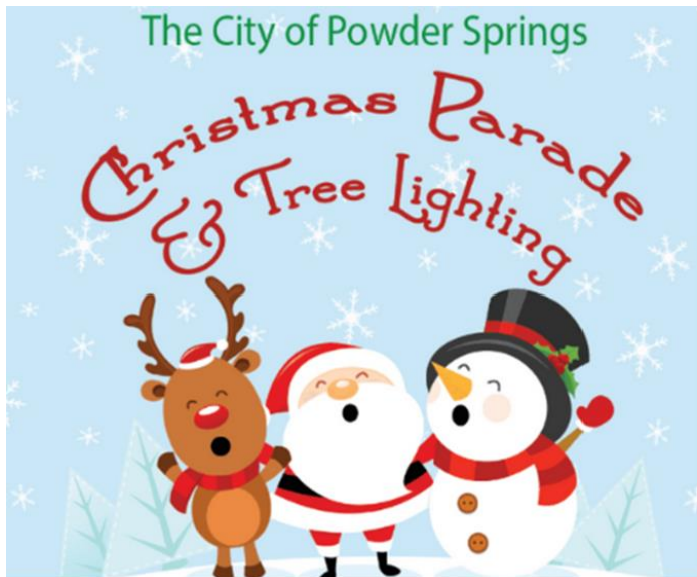
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT COST:

Family: \$72 Million*
Senior: \$71.5 Million*
*Anticipated



DISTRICT 4

As we gleefully transitioned into the Christmas and holiday season, there was not a shortage of festivities around the district.



Austell

A special thanks to Sweetwater Mission for hosting its annual Austell Christmas Family Fun Festival in historic downtown Austell. The event was full of energy, live music, great food and sporting event competitions to win extra holiday cash. Pictured with Commissioner Sheffield (above) is Mayor Pro Tem Valerie Anderson and one of Santa's helpers (Debbie Clemmons, executive assistant to Mayor Clemmons).

Powder Springs

The City of Powder Springs kicked off District 4's Christmas season with its Christmas Parade & Tree Lighting event with cocoa, cookies and photos with Santa.

Mableton

Commissioner Sheffield had the honor to light the Christmas tree at the annual Mable House Tree Lighting event. Chairwoman Cupid dropped by to share in the festivities, and Mr. and Mrs. Claus took a delivery break and joined us for some hot cocoa.



Powder Springs Community Taskforce



Old St. Nick dropped by the Ron Anderson Recreation Center on Saturday, Dec.18 to deliver toys and bikes to his helpers at the PSCT. Congratulations to the team for hosting their 7th Annual Giving Hope for the Holidays event, and spreading Christmas cheer, gifts and toys to our youth in west Cobb.

Candidate Taneesha Marshall hosts kids' event



Powder Springs resident and candidate for Superior Court Judge of Cobb County, Taneesha Marshall hosted her annual Christmas for Cobb's Kids event along with Judge Robert E. Flournoy, III, Santa and his helper. The event at the Play Bistro & Desserts restaurant on Powder Springs Road in Marietta. Thank you Taneesha for your community outreach and helping to make Christmas magical. Best wishes on your race in May 2022. You are almost at the finish line.



Thank you for the privilege to serve as your District 4 County Commissioner. It has been an incredible year. In 2022, we will move onward and D4-ward!

**A new year means
a new chapter.
I hope 2022 is an
incredible part
of your story.**