

Parks/Recreation

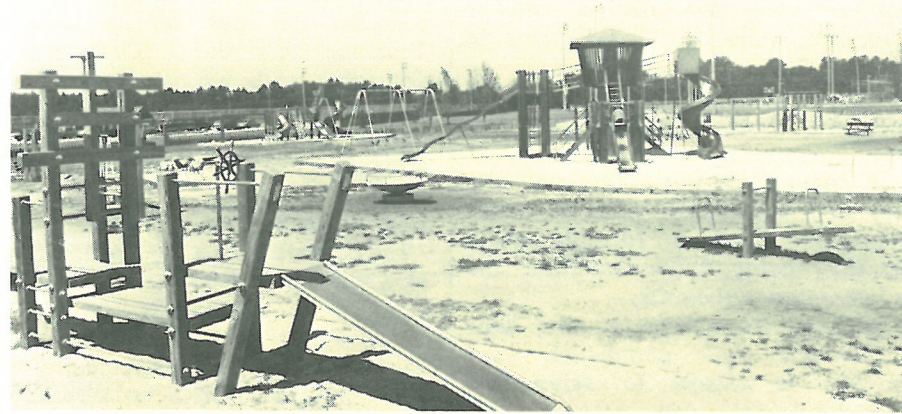
Summer Program Begins

The Parks and Recreation Summer Program has been planned for ages 5 - 15. Sessions I and II are now underway and are organized for activities to create the opportunities needed to develop physically, mentally, morally, socially, as well as to just have fun. These programs are modified to "community center" settings with table games, low organizational games, board games, crafts, outdoor sports, tournaments,

relays, and numerous special activities.

Session III will start July 14 and end July 25 for instructional programs. During this time, all ages will have the opportunity to develop skills in dance, karate, tennis, basketball, cheerleading, crafts, golf, etc.

All sessions will be at the Recreation Center on East Buena Vista Avenue. The cost per child is \$15.00. For further information, please call the Department of Parks and Recreation at 278-2358.



Kiddie Land - Playground area at Riverview Park now lighted for night play.

Jogging Trail, Exercise Stations Now Available at Riverview Park

One of the newest additions to the Riverview Park complex is the 1.1 mile all asphalt Jogging Trail that runs through and around the park area. The Jogging Trail has 20 exercise stations designed to provide stretching, breathing and flexibility exercises which keep the body muscles toned, eliminate stress and tension, and build and maintain cardiovascular strength. The jogging and exercise trail allows

individuals to set their own pace. Funding for this project was provided by the Community Development Block Grant Program and a grant from Wells Fargo. The trail is available to all ages from sunup to sundown.



Exercise station along jogging trail.

Freedom Festival VI Scheduled July 2nd

Freedom Festival VI, a Fourth of July celebration, will be held Wednesday, July 2nd, at the North Augusta High School Stadium. Gates open at 6:30 p.m. Music and games for children begin at 7:00 p.m. under the direction of the North Augusta Parks and Recreation Department.

A fireworks show at dark will provide the grand finale to the day's events. In case of rain, the program will be moved into the gymnasium and the fireworks show will be rescheduled for the following night.

For further information on the day's festivities, contact the Chamber of Commerce at 279-2323.



In October 1985, The National Recreation and Park Association adopted the Australian program, "LIFE. BE IN IT", to help local Park and Recreation professionals in the promotion of their programs and activities. "LIFE. BE IN IT" encourages citizens to enjoy the quality of life through participation in recreational activities of one's choice. Through recreation, we improve and maintain our physical and mental wellness and enhance our capacity to cope successfully in a demanding environment.

Life is full of stress. Recreation offers the opportunity to relax and refresh one's spirit. Come on! Join in. Get involved, become active. After all, enjoy "LIFE. BE IN IT".

Sanitation Service Information

The following information has been prepared to address some of the most commonly asked questions concerning the City's sanitation operations.

Q. How often will the City collect garbage and trash?

A. The City provides twice a week garbage pickup and once a week trash pickup to all residential customers. Commercial pickups vary depending upon the customer's needs.

Q. On which days is my garbage to be picked-up?

A. The City is divided into two basic routes. All residential customers are serviced either on Monday and Thursday or on Tuesday and Friday. The map below shows the City and its division into two garbage routes. Commercial customers are serviced according to their individual needs.

Q. What containers should be used and where should they be placed?

A. All garbage should be placed behind the curbline or off the paved surface of the street in enclosed containers that are no larger than 30 gallons. Containers may

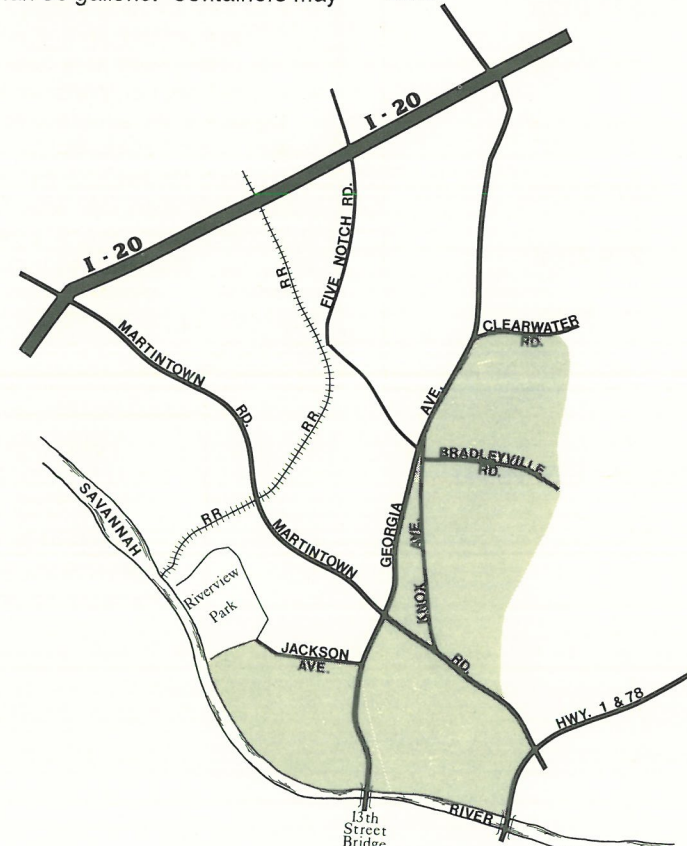
be the standard galvanized or plastic cans or plastic bags. Use of plastic bags is encouraged.

Q. When should garbage be placed out for collection?

A. Garbage may be placed on curbside after 7:00 p.m. the night before scheduled collection. However, you are strongly encouraged to wait until the morning of collection before placing your garbage at curbside. Empty containers should be removed from curbside by 7:00 p.m. the day of collection.

Q. What regulations govern the collection of trash?

A. All yard trash, such as grass clippings or leaves, should be put in disposable containers (bags or boxes) and placed behind the curbline or off the paved street surface as close to trash day as possible. Yard trash such as limbs or boards should be stacked as neatly as possible behind the curbline or off the paved surface. Due to mechanical pickup of this type of trash, please do not place trash under low wires or trees or close to mailboxes or parked cars.



SANITATION ROUTES - Residential customers residing in the unshaded areas receive garbage service on Monday and Thursday. Shaded areas are collected on Tuesday and Friday.

Trash Trailers Available For Sanitation Customers

If you have an unusually large amount of trash from tree trimming, cleaning up your property or cleaning out your garage, etc., and do not want to carry it all to the street and wait for trash crews to pick it up, there may be an answer to your problem. City trash trailers having a capacity of 20 cubic yards are available on an overnight or weekend reservation basis to all sanitation customers. A reserved trailer will be delivered to the customer and placed in a convenient location for the homeowner to fill it. City crews will pick up the loaded trailer on their next working day.

If you are interested in reserving this unit, please call Liz Pope at 279-9453. A \$20.00 refundable security deposit is required.

Water Treatment Plant Expansion Progressing

In 1954, North Augusta completed the building of a one million gallon per day water filtration plant. It was expanded in 1959 and 1969 to its present capacity of 4 million gallons per day.

Late last year, a modernization and expansion program at the plant was begun to increase its daily capacity to 8 million gallons. This expansion will be accomplished through a new process called high rating, which will allow water to be filtered and treated twice as fast as before. Included in this program is a new 500,000-gallon clearwell storage tank for treated water, a bulk chemical feed system, new pumps at the clearwell and raw water intake facility, and modernization of the instrumentation and laboratory.

The cost of construction for the upgrading and enlarging of the water treatment plant is \$2,199,000. Completion of the project is scheduled for early 1987. The project engineer is Maguire/Beebe of Spartanburg, South Carolina. The project's general contractor is South Atlantic Constructors of Greenwood, South Carolina.

FOR YOUR SAFETY INFORMATION

If you're new to North Augusta, then you may not be aware that Police and Fire Services are provided by our consolidated Public Safety Department. The department is composed of forty-five employees, of which thirty-seven are sworn officers and eight are civilian support personnel. Our fire fighting efforts are augmented by twenty volunteer fire fighters, dedicated members of the community who serve without compensation.

All Public Safety Officers are certified by the State of South Carolina as Police Officers and in addition are fully trained in fire fighting techniques. You may have observed marked police vehicles at the scene of fires and police officers putting

on fire fighting protective clothing. This is what public safety is all about, and the department has seen tremendous advantages to this system...not the least of which is increased manpower for emergencies at a minimum cost to taxpayers.

We are proud of our department and its innovative programs, which have gained the attention of other law enforcement and fire departments throughout the South. In fact, we have hosted many departments over the past few years who desired a first-hand look at Public Safety.

The department stands ready to assist you in any way possible. The following is a list of important telephone numbers you may want to post near your phone:

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY.....	279-2121
POLICE & FIRE BUSINESS NO.....	279-2123
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY.....	279-3636
CRIME PREVENTION.....	279-2123
DEAF EMERGENCY LINE.....	279-2122
RECORDS/COURT.....	279-8262
INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION.....	279-8262

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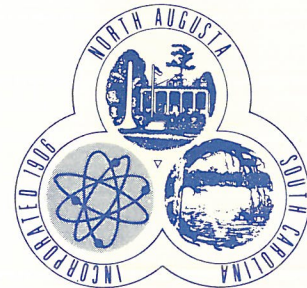
Home Security Tips Offered

Now is the time for many of us to begin taking that needed summer vacation. The Public Safety Department wishes each of you an enjoyable, relaxing visit at your favorite vacation spot. While you're away there are several security tips which might reduce the chances of your vacation being spoiled by a burglar taking advantage of your absence. The following are some precautions you might want to consider:

1. Leave information on your itinerary with a trusted neighbor or a relative.
2. Have the paper, mail, milk, and other routine deliveries held until your return.
3. Have this person check your house routinely and arrange for the grass to be cut if you are going to be away for an extended period of time.
4. Leave lights on in the residence and, if possible, put them on a timer that alternates which lights will burn at night.
5. Notify the Public Safety Department that you will be away, and they will check your residence as time permits.
6. If you do not leave a vehicle at your residence, have a neighbor park in your drive to indicate some activity.
7. Place jewelry and other valuables in a safe place, such as a safe deposit box, to protect them from fire or theft.

These are just a few tips to try and help make this summer an enjoyable experience for each of us. If you desire more information on how to safeguard your residence or desire to get involved in any of the Department's security programs, please contact the Department's Crime Prevention Office at 279-2123.

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Greetings!

We are pleased and proud to publish this, our very first newsletter. The City staff has spent many hours in preparation in order to provide you with important and timely information. We, the elected officials and employees of the City of North Augusta, have a "Commitment to Excellence", and continually strive to improve our City.

This newsletter has been prepared so that you, the citizens of North Augusta, may be better informed about the exciting things that are happening and being planned for our City.

We plan to publish the newsletter on a regular basis so that you will be aware of upcoming events, activities, and schedules, have a better understanding of how your City operates, and keep up to date about the state of your City. We are hopeful that, being better informed, the citizens of North Augusta will become more interested in their City.

We hope you will take a few minutes to read the newsletter, and keep it handy for future reference. We welcome your comments, your interest, and your participation. Our aim is always to serve you better.

Thomas W. Greene
Mayor

SANITATION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

JULY 4TH:

The Sanitation Department will be closed Friday, July 4th. Garbage normally collected this day will be collected Thursday, July 3rd. Customers on Thursday's route will have their garbage collected Wednesday, July 2nd.

NOTE: Normal yard trash collection scheduled for Friday, July 4th, will be cancelled.

LABOR DAY:

The Sanitation Department will be closed on Labor Day, Monday, September 1st. Garbage normally collected this day will be collected Tuesday, September 2nd. Customers on Tuesday's route will have their garbage collected on Wednesday, September 3rd.

NOTE: Yard trash collection will be one day later than regularly scheduled this week.

The Sanitation Department employees thank you for your cooperation during these holidays.

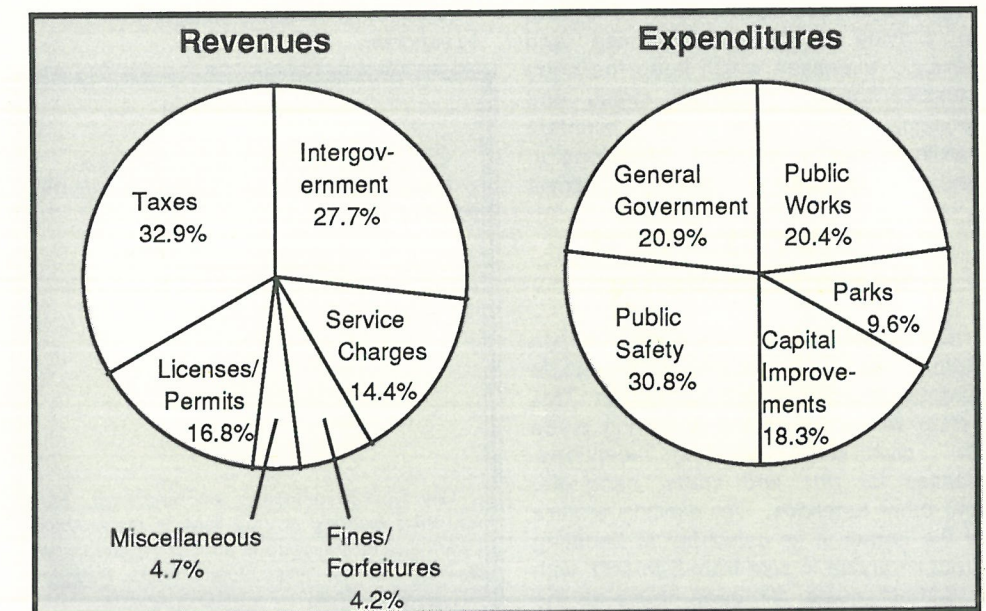
Fiscal Year 1985 Audit Completed

The City's independent auditor, Baird & Company, has completed the audit of the City's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 1985. Their report shows that for the fifth consecutive year, the City received an unqualified audit opinion, meaning that the basic financial statements of the City are fairly presented in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

The charts to the right depict the sources of revenues and the functional areas of expenditures for the General Government Funds for the year January 1, 1985, to December 31, 1985.

The Waterworks and Sewer System revenues were allocated totally to the expenses of the utility system. The detail of expenses in the utility system are as follows:

- * Operations/maintenance - 47.3%
- * Debt service - 23.8%
- * Capital Improvements - 28.9%



A copy of the audit is available for public inspection at the Municipal Building between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Monday through Friday.