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**COUNCIL
QUARTERLY
REPORT**

CARY, NORTH CAROLINA
FY 2023 FOURTH QUARTER



CARY MAYOR & COUNCILMEMBERS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP, VISION, AND SETTING THE CULTURE OF EXCELLENCE FOR OUR ORGANIZATION AND COMMUNITY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH EACH OF YOU TO KEEP CARY CARY.



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On the cover: Public engagement for Phase 1 of the Cary Bike and Micromobility Plan began in April with events, bike rides, and public surveys.

THIS QUARTER, WE CLOSED OUT FY 2023 WITH A HANDFUL OF OPPORTUNITIES THAT PROMOTED CARY'S VISIBILITY ON A NATIONAL STAGE.

From June 1–4, Cary hosted The Soccer Tournament, a 32-team event where soccer players competed for a \$1 million winner-take-all prize. While there were no Ryan Reynolds sightings, about 35,000 tickets were sold, and even more people tuned in on television.

Also this quarter, Cary hosted returning events that always draw a crowd: the ACC Tennis Championship, the Mid-Eastern Atlantic Conference Tennis Championship, and the NCAA Division II Baseball National Championship.

At the state level, Cary experienced the excitement of autonomous vehicles when it hosted CASSI, a shuttle piloted by NCDOT between the Cary Senior Center and Bond Park Community Center from March to May. During those three months, CASSI transported over 1,700 passengers, more than half of whom were from outside of Cary.

Finally, Cary was recognized as No. 1 in N.C. and No. 7 in the nation for millennials to live in the same quarter that we held our first Senior Housing Symposium, showing our commitment to all citizens, no matter where they are in life.

Moving forward into FY 2024, we are thrilled by the excitement around the Downtown Cary Park. We continue to make progress in the area, such as at South Walker Street, which will receive a new sidewalk before being repaved this summer to support the park. And of course, who isn't excited about the new golf pub opening just down the road on East Chatham Street?

We look forward to kicking off another fiscal year with you and sharing further updates at upcoming meetings.

Live Inspired,

Sean R. Stegall

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Town Manager



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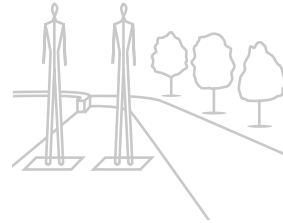
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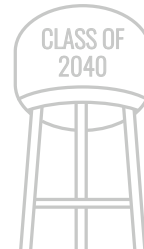
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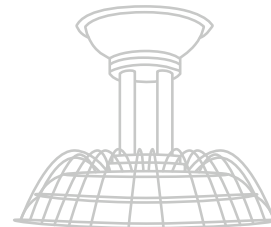
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The FY 2024 budget, adopted on June 24, was a focus this quarter. To recap, the \$523.8 million budget maintains Cary's tax rate at \$0.345 per every \$100 of assessed valuation. On the Utility Fund side, the budget includes a 3% increase to utility rates. The FY 2024 budget focuses on priority areas such as housing, public safety, parks, stormwater, and the environment. This budget provides funding to staff the Downtown Cary Park, which is expected to open to the public in late 2023.

There was no unusual financial activity to report during Q4. The results in this report are unaudited and will vary from the results in the FY 2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR), which is distributed to Council in December. The following results are limited by the data available at the time, as not all revenues for the year will be known until late summer. Preliminary Q4 projections indicate Cary's General Fund will end FY 2023 better than budget, which is in line with previous years' results.



FY 2023 FOURTH QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

GENERAL FUND

FY 2023 Q4 GENERAL FUND SUMMARY

	FY 2023 YTD ADJ BUDGET	FY 2023 YTD ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	FY 2022 YTD ACTUAL	FY 2022 VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
REVENUES	\$ 268.2	\$ 207.7	77%	\$ 197.7	\$ 10.0	5%
EXPENDITURES	268.2	249.2	93%	212.0	37.2	18%
TOTAL REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ (41.5)	-	\$ (14.3)	\$ (27.2)	(190%)

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Preliminary net Q4 General Fund results reflect \$41.5 million more in expenditures than revenues. As in years past, several significant revenue sources will not be received and attributed to FY 2023 until late summer. Sales tax is a primary example given the two-and-a-half-month lag between taxes collected at the point of sale in June and receipt of actual Q4 sales tax revenue in September. Staff estimates that Cary will receive approximately \$14.5 million of additional sales tax revenue.



FY 2023 Q4 GENERAL FUND REVENUES

	FY 2023 YTD ADJ BUDGET	FY 2023 YTD ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	FY 2022 YTD ACTUAL	FY 2022 VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
PROPERTY TAX	\$ 119.4	\$ 119.4	100%	\$ 116.4	\$ 3.0	3%
SALES TAX	53.0	42.4	80%	38.1	4.3	11%
OTHER TAXES & LICENSES	3.1	3.0	97%	2.7	0.3	11%
UNRESTRICTED INTERGOVERNMENTAL	10.8	9.3	86%	8.8	0.5	6%
RESTRICTED INTERGOVERNMENTAL	0.3	0.7	233%	0.5	0.2	40%
PERMITS & FEES	5.9	4.7	80%	6.0	(1.3)	(22%)
PRCR SALES & SERVICES	8.5	8.0	94%	6.9	1.1	16%
SOLID WASTE SALES & SERVICES	13.9	14.0	101%	12.9	1.1	9%
OTHER SALES & SERVICES	1.9	2.6	137%	1.8	0.8	44%
MISCELLANEOUS	2.2	2.1	95%	1.8	0.3	17%
OPERATING REVENUES	219.0	206.2	94%	195.9	10.3	5%
NONOPERATING	49.2	1.5	3%	1.8	(0.3)	(17%)
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES	\$ 268.2	\$ 207.7	77%	\$ 197.7	\$ 10.0	5%

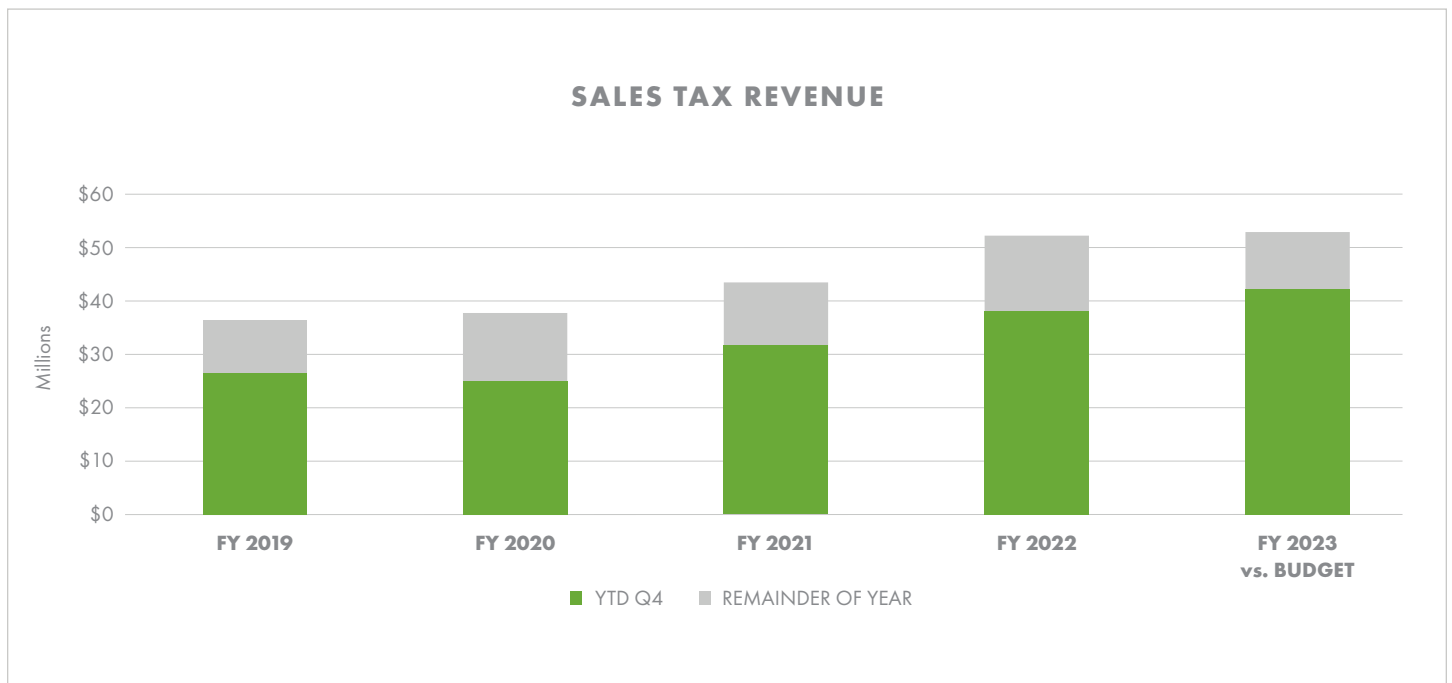
Overall, FY 2023 General Fund revenues are up \$10 million from the previous year. The increase in General Fund revenue is driven by operations, as most operating revenue categories increased. The next sections provide details on the changes in notable revenue categories.

OPERATING REVENUES

Property Tax revenue is 45% of total budgeted revenue and is the largest revenue source for the General Fund. Property taxes are based on an ad valorem tax levy on real and personal property. Real property are items such as land and buildings while personal property are items such as vehicles, boats, airplanes, and commercial business equipment. Real property taxes were billed in July 2022 and were due no later than Jan. 5, 2023. Therefore, most real property tax revenue is received during Q2. Personal property tax revenue, however, is collected throughout the year based on the state of North Carolina’s Tax and Tag program, which combines the vehicle ad valorem tax collection with the state’s vehicle license renewal process. The FY 2023 budget for property tax is \$119.4 million, and as of Q4, property taxes have met budget. These collections remain steady when compared with FY 2022.

Sales Tax revenue is 20% of total budgeted revenue and is the second largest revenue source for the General Fund. This revenue through Q4 is \$42.4 million, which is 11% more than Q4 of FY 2022. Sales tax is distributed to municipalities by the N.C. Department of Revenue about two and a half months after the month when taxable sales occurred. Cary received nine distributions for July through March sales, and these have outpaced last year’s results by \$4.3 million.

Current sales tax projections suggest this revenue will end the fiscal year at \$56.9 million, which would be a 7% increase over the FY 2023 budget. Sales tax continues to outperform historical growth patterns for this revenue source. For several years, staff has been conservative during the budget process. This year, Cary budgeted 22% growth over the previous year. Given the continued growth in Cary and Wake County, sales tax will likely continue to outpace historical trends as long as the national economy remains strong.



Restricted Intergovernmental revenue saw a \$200,000 increase over FY 2022. The largest contributors to the increase are from seized drug funds and funding received for school resource officers.

Permits and Fees revenue decreased by 22% compared with FY 2022. The greatest drivers of the decrease were building permits and watershed maintenance fees. Despite the decrease in building permit fees overall, the number of permits associated with residential construction have increased over the prior year. The decrease in watershed maintenance fees was largely due to the completion of the Fenton complex project in FY 2022.

The **Sales and Services** category is made up of PRCR programming revenue, solid waste sales and services, and other sales and services. Solid waste revenue, the largest revenue in this category, increased \$1.1 million over FY 2022 primarily due to the budgeted rate increase. PRCR revenues increased \$1.1 million due to the increase in attendance at many in-person programs and events. The 44% increase in other sales and services revenue is due to the increase in surplus sales of vehicles. The supply chain shortage delayed receipt of many new vehicles, which came in during this fiscal year. Therefore, Cary was able to sell some of the older vehicles.

FY 2023 Q4 GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

	FY 2023 YTD ADJ BUDGET	FY 2023 YTD ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	FY 2022 YTD ACTUAL	FY 2022 VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 54.4	\$ 45.9	84%	\$ 35.5	\$ 10.4	29%
PUBLIC SAFETY	69.9	67.2	96%	57.2	10.0	17%
OPERATIONS (PW & PRCR)	64.6	59.7	92%	49.8	9.9	20%
DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE	18.9	16.0	85%	15.3	0.7	5%
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	207.8	188.8	91%	157.8	31.0	20%
NONOPERATING	60.4	60.4	100%	54.2	6.2	11%
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES	\$ 268.2	\$ 249.2	93%	\$ 212.0	\$ 37.2	18%

Overall, General Fund expenditures increased 18%. There were several planned factors that impacted operations during the year. Increases were recognized as a result of initiatives in Marketing and IT, personnel costs, inflation, and the timing of vehicle purchases due to supply chain issues experienced in the prior year. The \$6.3 million increase in nonoperating expenditures is from increased debt service payments, which include the first payment on bonds issued in FY 2022.

Encumbrances represent funds that have been reserved in Cary’s financial system to satisfy a commitment to make a purchase. The following table shows the total outstanding encumbrances in the financial system that remain at the end of Q4. After accounting for year-to-date spending and the encumbrances listed, the General Fund has met the expenditure budget.

**GENERAL FUND OPERATIONS –
FY 2023 REMAINING
ENCUMBRANCES (Q4)**

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$	8,825,257
PUBLIC SAFETY		4,194,240
OPERATIONS (PW & PRCR)		7,001,817
DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE		2,179,347
DEBT SERVICE		28,064
CONTINGENCIES & RESERVES		537,912
TOTAL ENCUMBRANCES	\$	22,766,637



UTILITY FUND

FY 2023 Q4 UTILITY FUND SUMMARY

	FY 2023 YTD ADJ BUDGET	FY 2023 YTD ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	FY 2022 YTD ACTUAL	FY 2022 VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
REVENUES	\$ 100.9	\$ 84.6	84%	\$ 81.6	\$ 3.0	4%
EXPENDITURES	100.9	85.9	85%	82.6	3.3	4%
TOTAL REVENUE OVER/(UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ -	\$ (1.3)	-	\$ (1.0)	\$ (0.3)	(30%)

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As of Q4, FY 2023 expenditures outpaced revenues by \$1.3 million, which is consistent with the previous year.



FY 2023 Q4 UTILITY FUND REVENUES

	FY 2023 YTD ADJ BUDGET	FY 2023 YTD ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	FY 2022 YTD ACTUAL	FY 2022 VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
WATER SERVICE	\$ 33.2	\$ 32.2	97%	\$ 30.8	\$ 1.4	5%
SEWER SERVICE	51.3	49.2	96%	47.6	1.6	3%
PERMITS & FEES	2.1	2.1	100%	2.3	(0.2)	(9%)
OPERATING REVENUES	86.6	83.5	96%	80.7	2.8	3%
NONOPERATING	14.3	1.1	8%	0.9	0.2	22%
TOTAL UTILITY FUND REVENUES	\$ 100.9	\$ 84.6	84%	\$ 81.6	\$ 3.0	4%

The Utility Fund’s operating revenues increased 3% through Q4 compared with that same period in FY 2022. The increases in water and sewer revenue are the direct result of the 3% volumetric rate increase approved in the FY 2023 budget. Audited revenues are expected to meet the budget as of fiscal year end.

Nonoperating revenues remained consistent with Q4 of FY 2022. The \$200,000 increase is due to an increase in interest on investments.



FY 2023 Q4 UTILITY FUND EXPENDITURES

	FY 2023 YTD ADJ BUDGET	FY 2023 YTD ACTUAL	% OF BUDGET	FY 2022 YTD ACTUAL	FY 2022 VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 11.4	\$ 10.5	92%	\$ 8.6	\$ 1.9	22%
FIELD OPERATIONS	20.4	17.3	85%	16.1	1.2	7%
WASTEWATER (NET OF APEX)	14.4	11.2	78%	9.9	1.3	13%
WATER TREATMENT FACILITY (NET OF APEX)	10.9	10.3	94%	8.6	1.7	20%
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	57.1	49.3	86%	43.2	6.1	14%
NONOPERATING	43.8	36.6	84%	39.4	(2.8)	(7%)
TOTAL UTILITY FUND EXPENDITURES	\$ 100.9	\$ 85.9	85%	\$ 82.6	\$ 3.3	4%

Overall, Utility Fund expenditures have increased 4% compared with FY 2022. Operational expenditures have increased 14% primarily due to inflationary increases in the costs of chemicals and electrical power. Also affecting operational costs is Cary’s ramping up of its water meter modernization program. Nonoperational costs decreased \$2.8 million due to the payoff of the 2010 general obligation bonds in 2022.

The following table shows the total outstanding encumbrances for the Utility Fund remaining at the end of Q4. After accounting for year-to-date spending and the encumbrances, the Utility Fund has about \$11 million in the operations budget for expenditures not recorded as of this report.

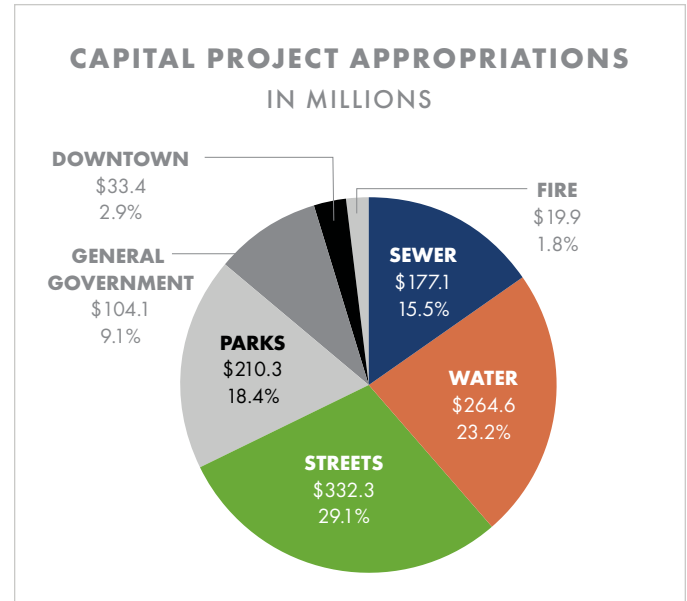
UTILITY FUND OPERATIONS -
FY 2023 REMAINING
ENCUMBRANCES (Q4)

ADMINISTRATION	\$ 646,184
FIELD OPERATIONS	746,906
WASTEWATER (NET OF APEX)	953,115
WATER TREATMENT PLANT (NET OF APEX)	1,095,509
DEBT SERVICE	1,750
CONTINGENCIES & RESERVES	253,495
TOTAL ENCUMBRANCES	\$ 3,696,959

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Cary has 535 active capital projects; utility capital projects with a total budget of \$430.9 million constitute 41% of the capital spending authorizations, and general capital projects total \$618.3 million, or 59% of the \$1 billion budget authorization.

Capital project spending totaled \$130.8 million through Q4. The 53% increase in capital project spending from the prior year is mainly from a mixture of parks, downtown, and sewer related investments. The three largest investments in capital for the community through Q4 were \$26.4 million for the Downtown Cary Park, \$8.4 million for the Winding Pine Regional Pump Station and Force Main, and \$8 million for USA Baseball facility improvements.



CAPITAL PROJECT SPENDING THROUGH Q4 (IN MILLIONS)

	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
DOWNTOWN	\$ 8.6	\$ 1.4	\$ 1.1	\$ 1.0	\$ 6.7
FIRE	5.0	5.4	1.9	1.8	0.2
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	8.2	6.2	10.6	5.7	12.2
PARKS	6.8	20.3	24.8	30.1	55.4
STREETS	7.4	11.7	21.3	22.5	24.5
SEWER	20.2	20.9	17.5	12.6	24.0
WATER	27.6	12.6	13.8	11.8	7.8
TOTAL	\$ 83.8	\$ 78.5	\$ 91.0	\$ 85.5	\$ 130.8

BUDGET

MIDYEAR APPROPRIATIONS

The FY 2023 operating budget includes \$1 million to support emerging or unforeseen program needs during the fiscal year. These funds were not used during FY 2023. The General Government Midyear Appropriations table identifies all fund balance appropriations approved during the year for the General Fund.

Q4 GENERAL FUND MIDYEAR APPROPRIATIONS

FUNDING SOURCE	QUARTER	FUNDING USE	AMOUNT
APPROPRIATIONS FROM GENERAL FUND FUND BALANCE	Q2	Advance Purchase of Solid Waste Trucks	\$ 2,032,060
TOTAL MIDYEAR GENERAL FUND FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATIONS			\$ 2,032,060

The Capital Project Fund table notes year-to-date midyear appropriations related to general and utility capital projects. These appropriations were approved by Council and reflect both Cary funds and funds received from outside agencies for specific uses.

Q4 CAPITAL PROJECT FUND MIDYEAR APPROPRIATIONS

FUNDING SOURCE	QUARTER	FUNDING USE	AMOUNT
UTILITY FUND FUND BALANCE	Q2	Maynard Mixed-Income Development	\$ 420,945
GENERAL CAPITAL RESERVE INTEREST INCOME	Q3	Fire Station 4 Renovation	319,608
TOTAL MIDYEAR CAPITAL PROJECT FUND APPROPRIATIONS			\$ 740,553

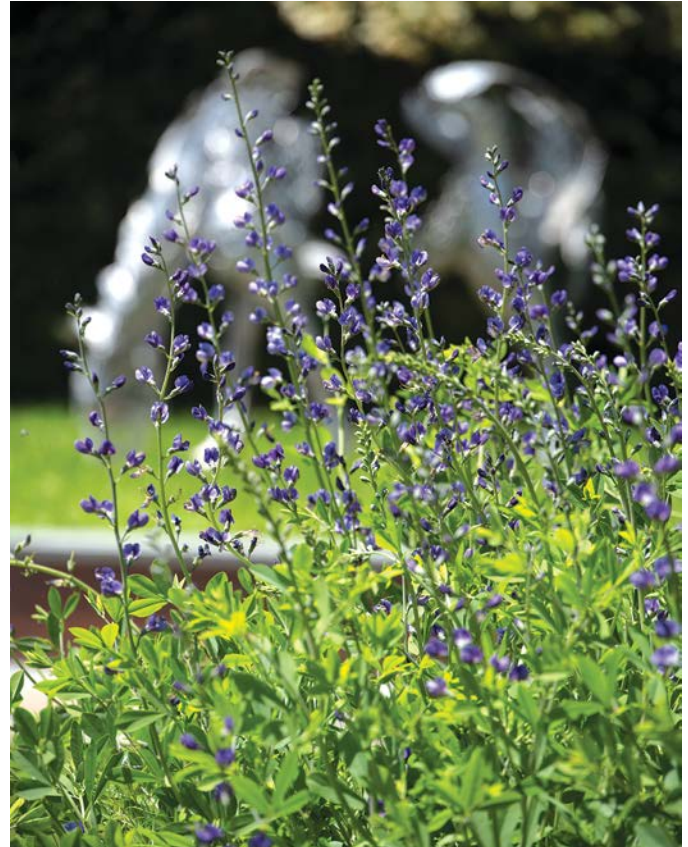
Q4 DELEGATED BUDGET AUTHORITY ACTION

CHART BELOW

Throughout the fiscal year, challenges and opportunities can develop that warrant financial resources not included in the original budget. Often staff can repurpose existing resources to address the highest-priority initiatives. The budget ordinance authorizes the town manager to approve inter-functional budget adjustments and requires reporting to Council. One inter-functional budget adjustment totaling \$1.8 million was conducted during Q4.

BUDGET PUBLIC INPUT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Citizens are invited to share their budget priorities throughout the year, specifically via social media, voicemail, and email. There were no budget public input comments outside of the budget process in Q4.



Q4 INTER-FUNCTIONAL BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

BUDGET TRANSFER FROM			BUDGET TRANSFER TO		
O&M	GENERAL FUND – DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE	\$ (295,000)	PERSONNEL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND – PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 1,820,000
PERSONNEL SERVICES	GENERAL FUND – DEVELOPMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE	(1,525,000)			
TOTAL 4TH QUARTER INTER-FUND AND INTER-FUNCTIONAL TRANSFERS		\$ (1,820,000)		\$ 1,820,000	

CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cary ended FY 2023 with a cash and investment balance of more than \$505 million. Interest earnings totaled about \$8.2 million in FY 2023, which is an increase of more than \$1.8 million compared with FY 2022. FY 2023 actual interest earnings are \$2.8 million over the budget of \$5.4 million. This was anticipated, as interest rates have continued to increase over this past year as the Federal Reserve continues to raise rates. While interest rates continue to rise, the portfolio still includes securities that were purchased when rates were lower. Until the lower-earning securities mature, interest earnings will increase at a slower rate than the rise in interest rates. Due to the rise in interest rates, the FY 2024 budget for interest income is about \$1.7 million more than FY 2023 actual earnings.

In accordance with accounting standards, Cary reports the market value of all investments at the end of every fiscal year to reflect the impact on the financial results in the unlikely case that Cary would have to sell all its investments at fiscal year-end market prices. This acknowledgment of year-end market value is referred to as a “mark to market” adjustment. This adjustment depends on the change in market values over the prior year. Due to the rapid increase in interest rates in the last half of the year, Cary’s mark to market adjustment for FY 2023 will decrease interest earnings on the audited year-end financial statements by about \$1 million. While Cary is required to report this adjustment on the financial statements, Cary will not realize this loss in interest earnings because investments are generally held until maturity to meet future cash flow needs.



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TOP PLACE FOR MILLENNIALS

CommercialCafe, a commercial real estate blog, ranked the Raleigh and Cary area as No. 7 in the nation and No. 1 in the state for millennials to live. The website studied large and midsize metropolitan areas on the basis of demographics, median earnings, educational attainment, health insurance coverage, cost of living, and unemployment rate to determine these results. One of the key takeaways of this study is that the area saw the fourth-highest jump in its percentage of millennials from 2017 to 2021.

SENIOR HOUSING SYMPOSIUM

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In May, Cary held its first Senior Housing Symposium at the Herb Young Community Center. It brought together regional experts on senior housing affordability to explore needs, opportunities, and resources to support diverse senior housing options. The agenda included senior demographic data, best practices for constructing and operating affordable senior housing, and models to support aging in place in Cary. Mayor Harold Weinbrecht, Councilmember Lori Bush, Councilmember Carissa Kohn-Johnson, and Assistant Town Manager Danna Widmar joined the discussion with regional leaders, including AARP, Wake County's housing division, Wake County Department of Human Services, DHIC, Brick Capital, Rebuilding Together of the Triangle, and Dorcas Ministries.

HOA MEETING

On May 23, Town Manager Sean Stegall and Councilmember Ryan Eades hosted an HOA meeting. Attendees were provided with an overview of ongoing projects, followed by an opportunity for open discussion.

CREATIVE PLACEMAKING AWARD

On May 16, the Cary Chamber of Commerce held the Small Business Excellence Awards Luncheon. Councilmembers Jack Smith and Carissa Kohn-Johnson shared remarks, and Kohn-Johnson presented the Public Art Advisory Board Creative Placemaking Award to Singh Development for commissioning artist Thomas Sayre to create a unique "earth casting" sculpture for its Griffin Weston apartment project. The Creative Placemaking Award was created to increase public awareness of outstanding public art and to recognize and encourage design excellence in the private development sector.





RESIDENTIAL PERMITS

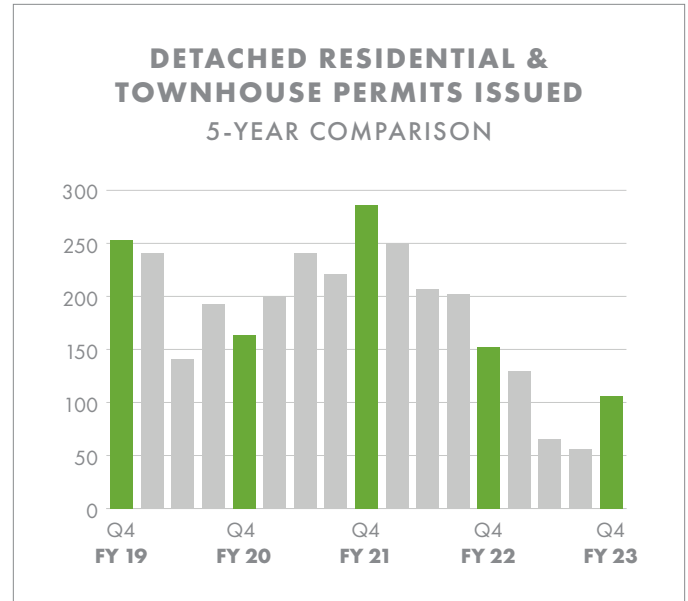
Cary issued 106 permits for new detached residential and townhouses in Q4. The top subdivisions permitted were Courtyards at West Cary (58), Abberly Alston (10), Carpenters Pointe Townhomes (10), and Southwest Zone (10). Overall, permits for new detached and townhouses decreased by 46 permits in comparison with Q4 of FY 2022.

In addition, Cary issued 102 detached and townhouse certificates of occupancy in Q4, an average of 1.7 certificates per workday. This is fewer than the COs issued in Q4 of FY 2022, which was 221. The subdivisions receiving the most COs were Carpenter (22), Estates at Weddington (15), Autumnwood (8), Carpenters Pointe Townhomes (8), and Courtyards at West Cary (8).

Cary also issued five building permits for a total of 495 multifamily units. Projects include Meridian Cary (195 units) and Alta Ivy at Carpenter Fire Station Road (300 units).

RESIDENTIAL ALTERATION AND ADDITION PERMITS

In Q4, Cary issued 396 permits for residential alterations and additions. This is a decrease of 91 permits from the same period last year and a decrease of seven permits from last quarter.





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CONTINUED
PROSPERITY





DANISH-BASED COMPANY EXPANDS TO CARY

Danish-based Ellab, which provides validation, monitoring, and calibration services and solutions to life science companies, is expanding to Cary with the acquisition of Cary-based PharmaSys. This acquisition is a major step in the execution of Ellab's corporate strategy of expanding its field services in key markets within the biopharma industry.





ENGAGE

EXPERIENCING THE CARY COMMUNITY



PARKS AND OPEN SPACE PLAN



The initial phase of the Cary Parks and Open Space Plan update was completed this quarter. Along with an online survey, staff and consultants collected feedback using flags on a Cary map at Spring Daze. Ideas ranged from big slides and zip lines to connecting greenway gaps and preserving open space. The next step is to complete analysis and bring back ideas.

THE SOCCER TOURNAMENT

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Cary hosted The Soccer Tournament June 1–4. The event created a lot of buzz around the sport of soccer and elevated Cary to the international stage. About 35,000 tickets were sold across the sessions, and thousands of people visited Cary and WakeMed Soccer Park. Peacock, YouTube, CNBC, and NBC broadcasted the event. The Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau estimates a \$1.7 million economic impact to Cary and Wake County.

PICKLEBALL

Cary hosted its first pickleball league this quarter. Comprising 68 players on eight teams, the league ran for 10 weeks and was divided into two skill divisions, Dinkers and Drivers. Teams competed using a modified scoring system borrowed from Major League Pickleball. Congratulations to “The Big Dills” for winning the Dinkers division and “Kelly Kompetitors” for winning the Drivers division.





SPRING DAZE



On April 29, Cary welcomed more than 15,000 visitors to Bond Park for its 30th annual Spring Daze Arts and Crafts Festival. The event featured a mix of over 150 North Carolina artists in addition to local entertainment, food, and beverage options and a wide range of activities like boat rentals and zip lines. While strolling down Earth Day Lane, visitors were offered free trees, a compost bin giveaway, recycling tips, garden ideas, greenway maps, and other advice about living green in Cary.

TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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In April, Cary Tennis Park hosted the Atlantic Coast Conference and the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference tennis championships. In the ACC championship, N.C. State University upset UNC-Chapel Hill in the women's final to receive the first ACC championship title for the Wolfpack women's team. In the men's final, the University of Virginia defeated Duke University for its third straight ACC championship title. More than 3,000 people attended the event, with ticket sales nearly doubling since the ACC championships in Cary in 2019. The new collegiate seating was a big hit with spectators and teams, and the ACC tennis championships will be back at Cary Tennis Park in 2024.

During the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference championships, seven schools from South Carolina to Delaware competed. South Carolina State University took home both the men's and women's conference championships.





NCAA DIVISION II NATIONAL BASEBALL

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Cary, the University of Mount Olive, and the Greater Raleigh Sports Alliance hosted the June NCAA Division II Baseball National Championship for the 13th time in the past 15 years. This year, before a crowd of about 2,000 fans, Angelo State beat Rollins College 6-5 to win its first national championship.

A few highlights:

- Assistant Town Manager Dan Ault and Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Resources Director John Collins threw out ceremonial first pitches.
- Teams totaled 22 home runs over the weekend, one of which was hit by Angelo State.
- The longest home run this year was hit 429 feet, according to Cary's TrackMan system.

PIMENTO CHEESE FESTIVAL



On June 10, more than 10,000 cheese lovers filled downtown for the annual Pimento Cheese Festival. About 25 food trucks served their regular menu and at least two items featuring pimento cheese. Ten local restaurants joined the fun in the Pimento Cheese Marketplace and gave away free samples and sold tubs of pimento cheese. Once In A Blue Moon Bakery was crowned the winner of best pimento cheese for the second year in a row. In addition to all the food, the festival also featured the return of "the Cheese Lady" Sarah Kaufmann, who transformed a 40-pound block of cheese into a work of art.





MEMORIAL DAY

On May 29, hundreds of citizens gathered at Veterans Freedom Park to remember and honor the U.S. military personnel who died serving in the line of duty. Mayor Harold Weinbrecht read the proclamation, and Mayor Pro Tem Don Frantz, Rep. Deborah Ross, and Rep. Wiley Nickel provided remarks. Unique to Monday's event was the formal dedication of a Blue Star Memorial plaque at the park.

JUNETEENTH



The Juneteenth: Celebrate Freedom event took place at Sertoma Amphitheatre at Bond Park on June 17. It was a day marked by celebrations and reflections commemorating African American freedom and emphasizing education and achievement. The celebration included an African dance performance, music performances, and poetry in addition to powerful historical discussions about Juneteenth. The event was curated by local cultural historian Darrell Stover.

PRIDE MONTH

In recognition of Pride Month, Cary offered a variety of activities in June for the community. These included lighting the façade of the Cary Arts Center in rainbow colors, LGBTQ+ films and discussions at The Cary Theater, a Family Bike Pride Ride in partnership with Trek Cary, a video story booth to gather and document LGBTQ+ stories, a historical art exhibition at the Cary Arts Center, and a special musical performance at The Cary Theater.

In addition, the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion hosted an LGBTQ+ educational program series for Cary staff to promote knowledge and awareness while providing skills to become more inclusive, informed, and supportive allies to the LGBTQ+ community. Workshops included LGBTQ+ Allyship 101 and Allyship 102 and Beyond. Internally and externally, Cary is committed to fostering a safe and respectful environment for all people to live, work, and play.





TASTE OF CHINA



In April, the Chinese American Friendship Association of North Carolina hosted a Taste of China Food and Culture Festival in downtown Cary. Thousands turned out for this inaugural event, sampling cuisine from more than 45 food vendors and enjoying the various performances and cultural activities. Joining Councilmembers Lori Bush, Carissa Kohn-Johnson, and Ryan Eades were more than a dozen other elected officials from the state and Wake County, including Secretary of State Elaine Marshall and Rep. Ya Liu. The seed for this event was planted early in Liu's tenure on Cary's Council. After delays due to the pandemic, the event finally came to life this spring.

WHEELS ON ACADEMY

Cary held its 10th annual Wheels on Academy car show in May. More than 100 vehicles participated with models ranging from 1904 to 2023. New this year, Wheels on Academy was held with the Antique Automobile Club of America NC Region Car Meet and showcased over 50 antique vehicles. Mayor Pro Tem Don Frantz handed out trophies to the Top 50. The Mayor's Best in Show Award went to a 1969 Dodge Charger. Popular among kids and adults alike was the Touch-a-Truck program featuring GoCary, police, fire, and sanitation vehicles.

DISC GOLF



Cary and the Capital Area Disc League hosted the 9th annual Airborne Open Charity Disc Golf tournament at the Diavolo at New Hope course over Memorial Day weekend. Despite rainy and windy conditions, athletes had a great time, and the tournament raised over \$550 for the United Services Organization. Awards this year were provided by CADL, whose mascot is cattle.

In addition, Cary's Middle Creek Disc Golf course underwent upgrades in preparation for the 2024 Masters Disc Golf Championship to be held at Middle Creek and Diavolo at New Hope disc golf course. The upgrades included updated tee pads, adjustments to several hole layouts, additional practice baskets, and improved walking trails.



APPLAUSE! CARY YOUTH THEATRE



Applause! Cary Youth Theatre hosted its first mainstage theater production since 2019, “The Hundred Dresses.” More than 20 participants ages 9-16 acted and worked behind the scenes to tell the story about bullying, acting as a bystander, and the repercussions of these acts in 1930s small-town America. The performances from March 31 through April 2 at the Cary Arts Center drew 322 total audience members.

COUNT ME IN, CARY!

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This quarter marks the end of the first half of the Count me in, Cary! outreach and engagement. Between mid-April and the end of June, over 1,400 citizens shared across six surveys their thoughts, concerns, possible barriers, and level of willingness to partake in a variety of efforts to make Cary more adaptive and resilient in the face of climate change. Behind the scenes, staff and consultants will use this halfway point to process the information and pivot as needed to reach underrepresented populations. The surveys remain open until Sept. 1 and will be followed by analysis to aid the continued creation of Cary’s Sustainability and Climate Action Strategy.





CARY CARES ABOUT NATIVE PLANTS

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In April and May, Cary Senior Center garden volunteers and staff gathered over multiple days to remove weeds and invasive plants and restore the soil with compost, organic amendments, and leaf mulch in an area of over 1,000 square feet. During this time, hundreds of native plants, shrubs, and grasses were added to support biodiversity. Overgrown plants like iris, day lilies, and roses were thinned, removed, potted, and sold at a senior-led plant sale, which contributed to shared garden funds. Outside the garden, native grasses were added to support an aesthetic habitat and address erosion and water-pooling concerns.

April also saw the improvement of the roundabout at the New Hope Church Road Trailhead with dozens of native plants that will show citizens how an arid, rough environment can still be pretty, support pollinators, and reduce maintenance. Finally, the South Cary Water Reclamation Facility's meadow garden has expanded 200 square feet, while the rainwater garden was revived with invasive species removal and additional pollinator plants.

SOLARIZE THE TRIANGLE

Solarize the Triangle 2022 set a national record as the largest Solarize program in the country to date with 1,500 people signing up for free evaluations in a single campaign. As a result, 173 Triangle homeowners executed contracts to purchase new solar energy systems. Of these, Cary had 109 free evaluation sign-ups and 12 completed contracts. Based on the overall 2022 success, a second Solarize the Triangle program kicked off May 15, and enrollment for a free evaluation of homes, nonprofits, and small businesses ends Sept. 30. In its first 1.5 months, the 2023 program already has 265 sign-ups for free home evaluations. Enrollees have until Dec. 31 to decide whether to sign a contract.





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THE ALBATROSS GOLF PUB

The Albatross, a new bar featuring golf simulators, is coming to downtown Cary at 140 E. Chatham St. this August. According to Triangle Business Journal, The Albatross will feature two golf simulators made by the brand TrackMan — the same brand used on the PGA Tour. These simulators will also offer family-friendly programs like miniature golf.

WESTON MOBILITY AND LAND USE STUDY

Imagine Cary calls for the Weston Parkway area to become a Mixed Use Employment Campus with a walkable urban framework. To that end, Cary is evaluating and reenvisioning the area's land use and urban design, including bicycle and pedestrian connectivity, as part of a study. Cary staff procured a consultant, collected data, and met with Highwoods Properties as one of the major stakeholders in the area. The study is currently moving into conceptual sketches and is anticipated to conclude this winter.





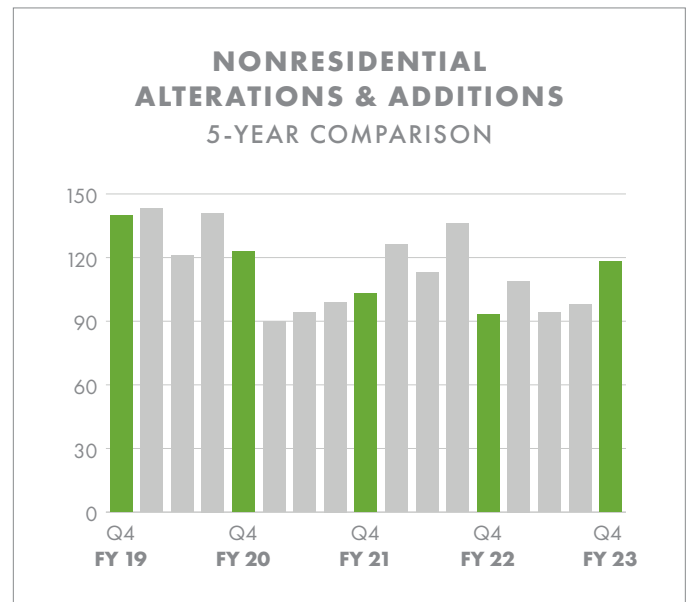
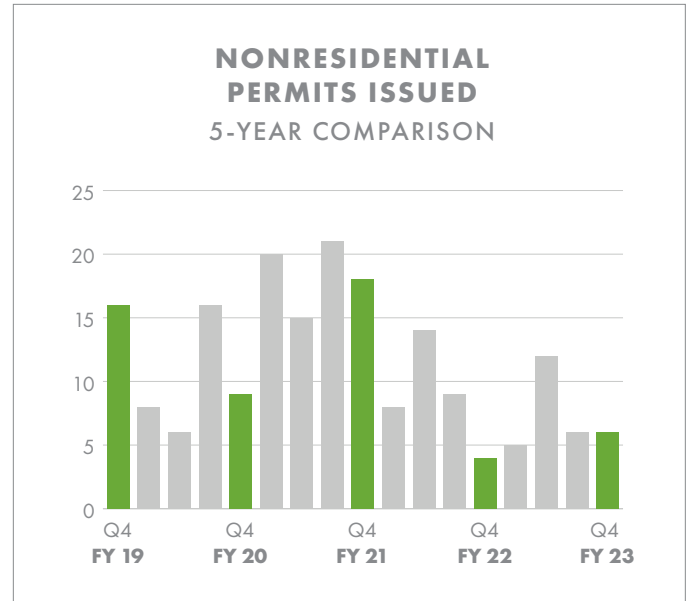
NONRESIDENTIAL PERMITS

In Q4, Cary issued permits for six nonresidential projects for a total of 173,892 square feet. The largest project included the parking garage for Meridian Cary at Harrison Avenue and West Chatham Street. The five-story garage contains 478 parking spaces with 225 dedicated public spaces and 253 private spaces for the adjoining apartment building and commercial uses.

NONRESIDENTIAL ALTERATION AND ADDITION PERMITS

Cary issued 118 nonresidential alterations and additions permits in Q4. Highlights include:

- American Tower, 1 Fenton Main St.: Permit issued for the upfit of new office space at Fenton.
- Towne Bank, 100 Walnut St.: Permit issued for a new bank tenant on the first floor of the Lee & Associates building.





REZONING

During Q4, 33 cases were in the rezoning process; 5 cases were approved.

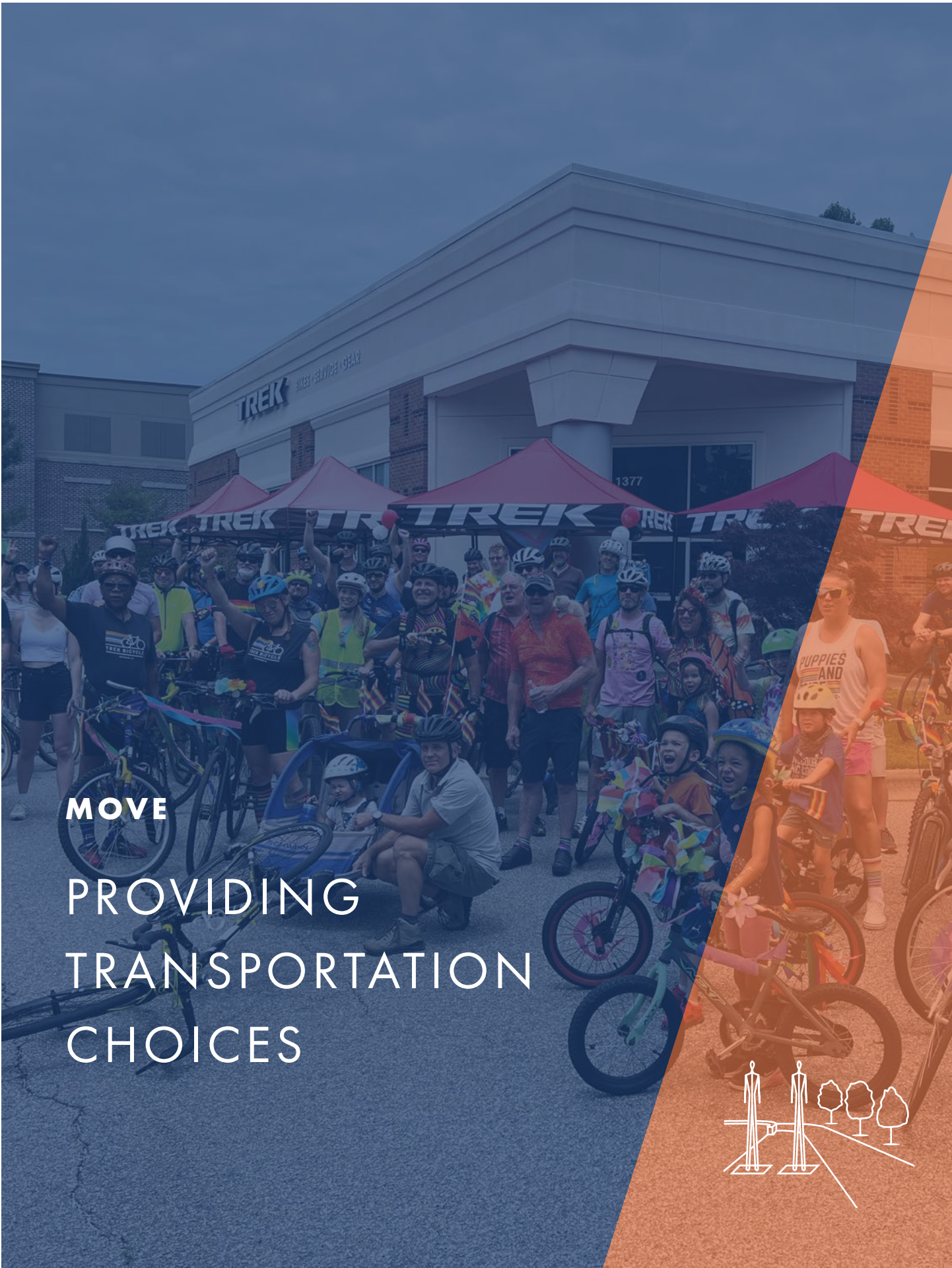
- 22-REZ-26, 4224 and 4300 Green Level West Road: Annexes and rezones 3.83 acres to Residential 20-Conditional Use (R-20-CU), Watershed Protection Overlay District (Jordan Lake Subdistrict), and Conservation Residential Overlay District (Low-Density). 4224 Green Level West Road, Town-owned property, will be dedicated right of way for the construction of Yates Store Road Extension. 4300 Green Level West Road was a voluntary annexation and rezoning case.
- 22-REZ-22, 107 W. Park St.: Rezones approximately 0.28 acres to Town Center High-Intensity Mixed Use-Conditional Use (TC-HMXD-CU) to allow for two detached dwelling units.
- 21-REZ-17, Destin Phase 3, 911 and 1045 Lewter Shop Road: Annexes and rezones 31.67 acres to Residential 12-Conditional Use (R-12-CU) for a maximum of 40 dwelling units and associated neighborhood recreation uses.
- 22-REZ-13, Kanoy Tract, 45 Thompson Road, 1012 and 0 Lewter Shop Road: Annexes and rezones 100.88 acres to Residential 8-Conditional Use (R-8-CU) and Watershed Protection Overlay District (Jordan Lake Subdistrict) with a maximum of 1.4 dwelling units per acre, 50,000 square feet of community gathering area, and transportation improvements.

DEVELOPMENT PLANS

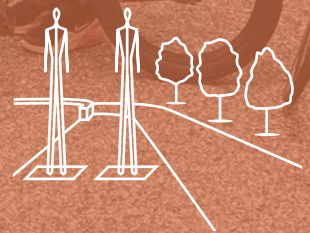
In Q4, Cary approved 40 development plans. The notable plans approved this quarter were:

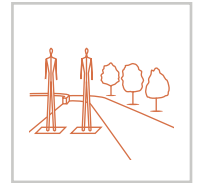
- Alston Town Center-Phase 1C Infrastructure, 4601 N.C. 55: Infrastructure plan to extend water, sewer, and stormwater utilities and High Branch Street to Highcroft Drive and Highcroft Drive under I-540 for a new private recreation facility, apartments, and retail uses.
- Legacy Cary, Twyla Road and Morrisville Parkway: New 390-unit multifamily apartment development with clubhouse and public and private amenities.
- MacGregor Village Residence Inn, 103 Edinburgh South Dr.: New 122-room hotel in the MacGregor Village Shopping Center.





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SHAPING CARY'S TOMORROW BOND PROJECTS

This section offers Cary citizens an update on the projects funded by the Shaping Cary's Tomorrow Parks and Transportation Bonds overwhelmingly approved in a 2019 referendum.



STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

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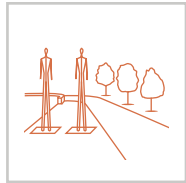
Construction of the 2023 Street Improvements Project began this quarter in the Wellsley, Highcroft, Reserve, and Landsdowne areas. Work will begin in Bond Pointe, Saratoga Park, and along Westhigh Street later this summer. To date, Cary has upgraded more than 40 curb ramps, replaced 500 feet of damaged curb, and placed 2,000 tons of asphalt. Construction is expected to be complete by winter.

KILDAIRE FARM ROAD



The Kildaire Farm Road Improvements Project started last fall and will be substantially complete by August. This project includes burying overhead utilities, installation of a new waterline, safety enhancements, and resurfacing. Cary completed design and construction in close coordination with private development, including the Lee & Associates headquarters that is also substantially complete.





SOUTH WALKER STREET

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South Walker Street will be repaved from Fairview Road to Waldo Street later this summer following the completion of new sidewalk. The brick sidewalk closes one of the last remaining sidewalk gaps along the street. Other work this summer includes new streetlights, curb ramp upgrades, and the permanent installation of the four-way stop at South Walker and East Park streets. These mobility improvements will support the opening of the Downtown Cary Park.



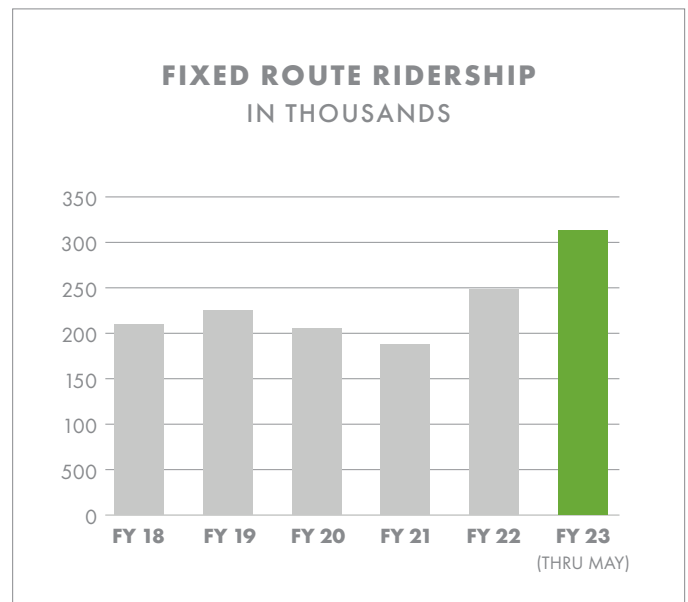
CARY PARKWAY SIDEWALK AND GREENWAY RENOVATIONS

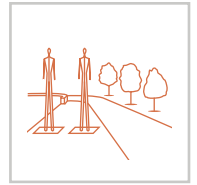
CAMPO awarded Cary nearly \$7.5 million in Locally Administered Project Program grant funding to remedy a sidewalk gap along Northwest Cary Parkway over Black Creek Greenway and to implement renovations to Black Creek Greenway to improve safety and accommodate increased pedestrian use. These projects will be combined into one construction project to help simplify construction coordination as well as minimize impacts for pedestrians and greenway users. Staff anticipates advertising for construction bids later this year.

GOCARY RIDERSHIP GROWTH

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In FY 2023, demand for GoCary service continued to increase, with fixed route ridership up 40% compared with FY 2022 and up more than 60% over the past five years. To support this increase, Cary started design work for Phase 3 of the bus stop improvement program, which will make the system nearly 100% ADA accessible. Staff also started design work for 56 new bus stops to support two new routes planned for FY 2025. Construction for these stops is scheduled to begin later this year. GoCary will continue to remain fare free in FY 2024, and there is also a full schedule of summer events to share information about service.





CASSI

This spring, Bond Park hosted an exciting demonstration of autonomous vehicle technology. The N.C. Department of Transportation partnered with Cary to bring an all-electric, driverless shuttle to Bond Park. The CASSI (Connected Autonomous Shuttle Supporting Innovation) ran a four-stop route from the Cary Senior Center to Bond Park Community Center on weekdays from March through May. During those three months, CASSI hosted over 1,700 passengers, more than half of whom were from outside of Cary. Over 92% of riders said they had a good experience riding CASSI with 80% commenting they found the shuttle ride safe. Building on that, nearly 88% of riders supported seeing more driverless shuttles in Cary.

Throughout the trial, Cary hosted several groups to experience CASSI. A first-ride event was held with Council, other elected officials, and the media in March. Other events throughout the pilot included Regional Transportation Alliance, Urban Land Institute, AARP, Federal Highway Administration, and Reedy Creek Middle School. Cary will continue to work with the NCDOT as it brings CASSI to the University of North Carolina-Charlotte for the next demonstration.

GREENWAY SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Council approved an ordinance amendment allowing electric-assisted bicycles on greenways following a successful pilot. This approval included the creation of a Greenway Safety Campaign. Staff and a consultant will develop this campaign with a three-pronged approach — education, engagement, and technical review. Messaging will stress respect among all user groups and the reminder that greenways are a resource for the whole community.

WHITE OAK CREEK CONSERVATION

This quarter, Cary hosted a public meeting to share the results from data collection and analysis of nearly 500 acres of conservation land along White Oak Creek from N.C. 55 to the American Tobacco Trail. Participants learned of findings and provided feedback on desires for access and amenities. The theme among comments was to provide access and educational opportunities while preserving the environment and natural appearance of the area. The project is progressing, with final management plan recommendations anticipated in spring 2024.





BIKE PLAN

Public engagement for Phase 1 of the Cary Bike and Micromobility Plan began in April with events, bike rides, and public surveys. At Spring Daze, more than 200 bikes were parked using the bike valet service, which received positive feedback. Hundreds of students participated in Bike and Roll to School Day in May, raising awareness about greenways, bike facilities, and the bike plan. Cary also engaged with the public during other events, such as Wheels on Academy, Cary 101, and the Habitat for Humanity Neighborhood Transportation Fair.

Online engagement around the plan, including a mapping tool and survey questions, is underway. The survey, which opened in April, garnered more than 2,000 comments and 17,000 responses. In addition, the Bike Plan Focus Group, a citizen-based group, had its first meetings in April and May. Members discussed topics such as network analysis, engagement opportunities, and bicycle facility design. Cary will hold additional public meetings and workshops to develop the plan, which is expected to be complete fall of 2024.

CARY CELEBRATES NC YEAR OF THE TRAIL

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North Carolina's Year of the Trail in 2023 is a celebration of the state's thousands of miles of trails, greenways, and blueways. To join the celebration, Cary hosted numerous events, including a gathering at Hemlock Bluffs Nature Preserve, a rock painting activity, a greenway bike ride, a Greenway Bike and Bubbly event, and the ATT Great Trails Day. To round out the yearlong celebration, Cary will host a walk along the Carpenter area greenways and a Greenway Hike and Pints event this fall. Also during Year of the Trail, Cary became a member of the Great Trails State Coalition to further advocate for the community and the state's branding as the Great Trails State.







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WATER QUALITY REPORT

Ever wonder what it takes to maintain Cary's high-quality drinking water? Dedicated utilities staff work around the clock delivering quality tap water to the community. Cary is proud to announce that the Water Quality Report for 2022 is now available. The report shares the results of more than 900,000 tests performed last year and confirms compliance with all state and national drinking water regulations. In addition, it focuses on how Cary is working to stay well ahead of anticipated regulatory changes. This report gives citizens confidence in the high-quality water that is delivered safely and reliably through a well-maintained system. The full report can be found at carync.gov/waterreport.



WHITE OAK CHURCH ROAD WATER MAIN

Construction of the White Oak Church Road water main started in May and will include installation of 3,200 feet of 16-inch water main from White Oak Elementary to Vandiver Way, just south of Morrisville Parkway. The project closes a gap in the water system that will improve operations, water quality, and fire protection for the surrounding area. This quarter, Cary installed more than 1,400 feet of water main. The construction will be completed next quarter and, in coordination with Wake County, will include the installation of a drinking fountain at the American Tobacco Trail White Oak Church Road trailhead access point.

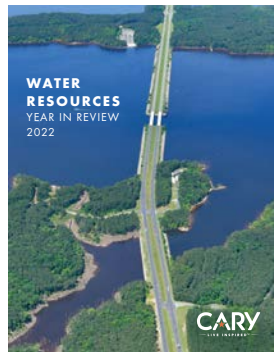
SOUTH HARRISON AVENUE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT



Work began in May to replace 1.5 miles of water mains, rehabilitate sewer and stormwater pipes, and revitalize the streets and sidewalks along South Harrison Avenue. Water main replacement work also occurred along West Park Street. The water mains in these areas are being proactively replaced as they approach the end of their service life to improve fire protection and reduce service interruptions. The new water mains have an estimated service life of 100 years. New water service lines will be run to the properties along West Park Street and South Harrison Avenue before the project progresses south of Dry Avenue.

WATER RESOURCES YEAR IN REVIEW

The 2022 Water Resources Year In Review report provides meaningful snapshots and historical trends about Cary's excellent utility service. Last year's average was 48 gallons of water used per person per day. Consumption has hovered near 50 gallons of water per person per day for the past six years. The average water demand last year was 22.7 million gallons per day. Aug. 12 saw the highest single-day demand last year at 31 million gallons per day. The full report can be found at bit.ly/2022waterreview.





LEAD AND COPPER RULE REVISIONS

The Environmental Protection Agency’s lead and copper rule revisions is an effort to eliminate lead in drinking water and requires all water systems to submit an inventory of the service line materials. This inventory includes the public side between the main and the meter and the private side between the meter and the building. Cary’s system has about 75,000 total service line connections, including ones in Morrisville, Raleigh-Durham International Airport, and the Wake County portion of Research Triangle Park. Cary completed the initial desktop evaluation of the service line inventory, and there are no known lead service lines in the Cary service area. There are, however, about 14,000 locations where a portion or all of the service line is of an unknown material. Staff are working with BlueConduit to use predictive modeling to eliminate these unknowns. The model will identify a small portion of service locations that will require field verification.

HIGH-QUALITY UTILITY SERVICES

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In June, Cary received two awards from the Partnership of Safe Water initiative at the American Water Works Association annual conference. The first award marked Cary’s 20th year of recognition with the Directors Award for Water Treatment, and the second award highlighted water system operations. In addition, Utility Engineering Manager Robert Hirt presented the findings of a recent study on Cary’s Advanced Metering Infrastructure. As an early adopter of AMI technology in 2011 for collecting water meter reads, Cary has seen significant advancements in software and hardware solutions since implementation. The study and the presentation were both unique in that Cary is among the first to evaluate the transition from a mature system to one that takes full advantage of the technology available today.

Also this quarter, the National Association of Clean Water Agencies awarded Cary’s three wastewater treatment facilities the Platinum Peak Performance Award recognition for exceptional performance, achieving over five consecutive years of 100% National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit compliance.





WALNUT CREEK CORRIDOR STUDY

The Walnut Creek Corridor Study has progressed to the point that potential sites within the floodplain corridor have been identified for possible property or easement acquisition. These properties will enable Cary to extend its greenway system to link the Downtown Cary Park with Fenton, Raleigh, and beyond. The long-term endeavor will help mitigate flooding, enhance open space, and expand tree canopy in downtown, which will provide exponential benefits for the environment and the community's well-being.

STORMWATER PROJECT COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Committed to making stormwater infrastructure improvements throughout the community, Cary hosted an outreach meeting to seek property owner input on a proposed culvert drainage improvement project. These important infrastructure upgrades on Lake Pine Drive and Brookgreen Drive address drainage issues and further protect the community from the impacts of flooding. Attendees were optimistic about the prospect that this project will help reduce the flood risk to six homes in the vicinity. This meeting launched ongoing communications with these citizens that will continue throughout the project's design and construction phases.

REGIONAL COLLABORATION IN STORMWATER AND FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

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This quarter, downtown Cary stormwater and floodplain management advanced with construction beginning on the Meridian and Faculty Drive projects. Both in the Swift Creek Basin, these projects showcase how a new and a second-generation stormwater control measure, done in a collaborative manner, have a regional benefit that exceeds required regulatory standards. Cary's partnership with the Meridian developer and Cary First Baptist Church enhanced the required and new control measure and enabled the project to address legacy flooding issues in the adjacent neighborhood. Through another partnership with the Wake County Public School System, Cary is rehabbing the failing Faculty Drive stormwater control measure. These two partnerships have enabled Cary to have a more significant and regional impact on water quality and flooding in the downtown headwaters of Swift Creek than if these projects were done independently.





STORMWATER PROJECT HITS THE NATIONAL STAGE



Cary continues to receive national attention and accolades for its stream sensor and rain gauge network project. The Association of State Floodplain Managers held its national meeting in Raleigh this quarter and specifically sought out Cary’s stormwater division to provide a presentation and tour of its innovative stream sensor project. Attendees from throughout the United States learned how Cary installed more than 40 stream water level sensors and rain gauges in the Walnut and Swift Creek basins. The devices gather real-time elevation and rainfall data through an IoT network to support stormwater modeling as well as alerts through North Carolina’s Flood Inundation Mapping and Alert Network. Pioneering floodplain management using innovative technology is keeping Cary a leader in advancing stormwater management.

CARY KUDOS

KUDOS GO OUT TO:

- Police Sgt. Titus Moore and Cpl. David Jones for graduation from the West Point Leadership Program, a 102-hour program through Methodist University with a goal to inspire police leaders to develop an informed, systematic, and dynamic approach to leading.
- Fire Capt. Brian Eagen for recognition at VFW Post 7383’s annual First Responder Banquet. Eagen, a U.S. Army veteran, serves as a swiftwater rescue technician, is a member of the fire investigation team and inspections team, and is a project manager, among his many leadership roles and contributions.
- Police Master Officer Andrew Maurer for recognition at VFW Post 7383’s annual First Responder Banquet. Maurer was recognized for his tireless work as a Task Force Officer on the FBI’s Joint Terrorism Task Force, for which he received a letter of commendation from the FBI’s executive assistant director.





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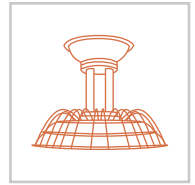
Wake County Emergency Medical Services held its annual Code: Celebrate event in May to honor emergency responders who contributed to a cardiac arrest resuscitation in 2022. Ten emergency communications officers were recognized for their involvement in 11 cardiac saves, providing callers with vital life-saving directions. Thirty-six fire staff members were honored for their part in 10 cardiac saves in 2022. Cary and Wake County have one of the highest sudden cardiac arrest survivability rates in the nation because of robust 911 communication centers, first responder programs, and EMS system personnel.



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ADVISORY BOARD RECRUITMENT

Recruitment for 2023 appointments to Council-appointed boards, commissions, and committees closed June 30, and more than 170 interested citizens submitted applications. Council will begin reviewing applications, and appointments will begin terms on Oct. 1. Applications received after the June 30 deadline will be considered for appointment in 2024. To apply, visit bit.ly/caryboards.

CHATHAM COUNTY EARLY VOTING SITE

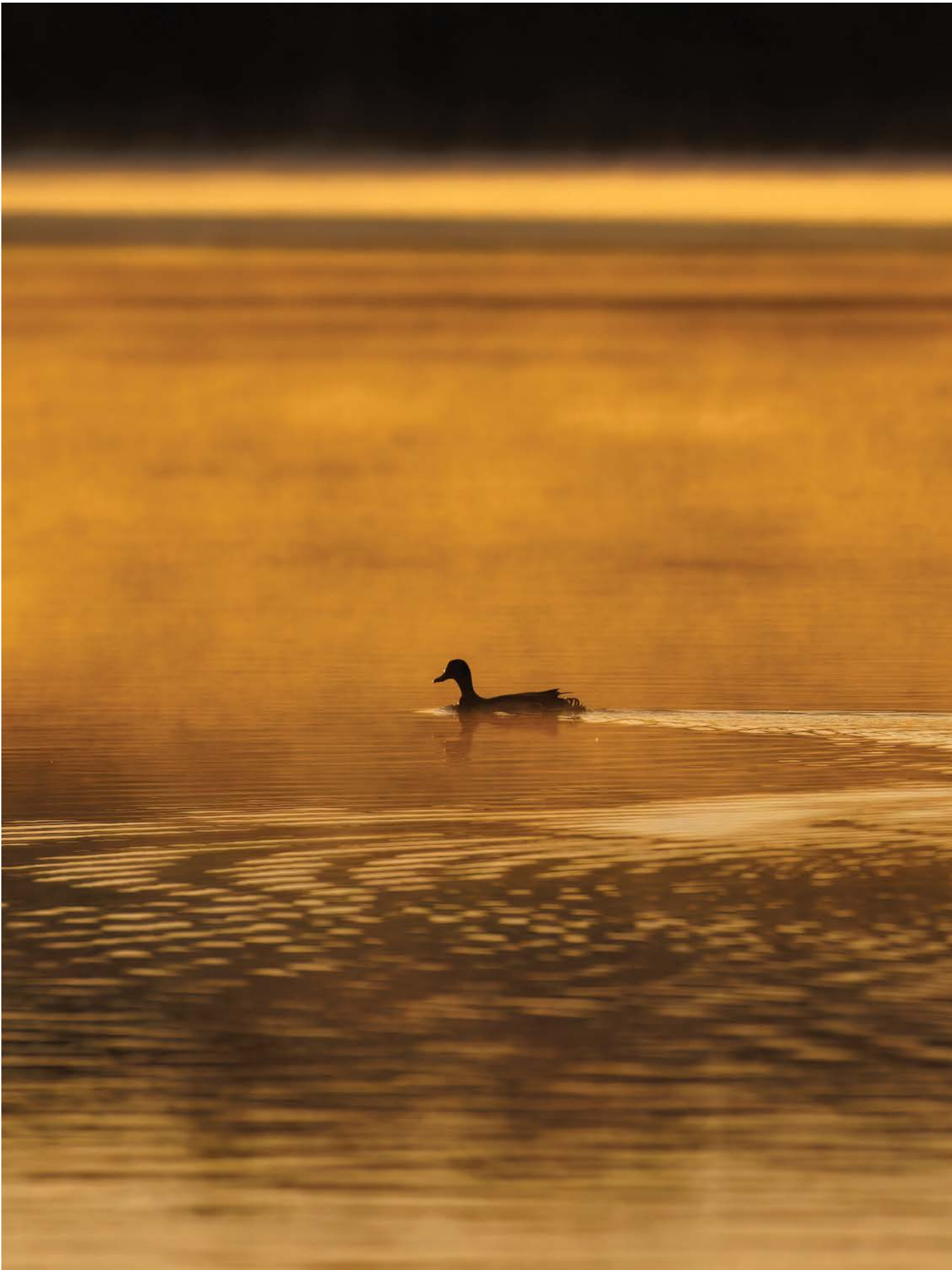
The Chatham County Board of Elections voted to approve an early voting site for Cary's 2023 municipal election. This will be the first time Cary has had a designated early voting site in Chatham County. For more information, visit carync.gov/elections.

WALL OF HONOR

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Cary Council and staff are proud to announce that Karen Mills, Debra Grannan, Howard Manning, and Howard Johnson are the newest additions to Cary's Wall of Honor. The Wall of Honor is the highest level of recognition for staff and citizens whose transcendent contributions have shaped the community and are woven into the fabric of Cary forever. A ceremony and reception were held at Town Hall on June 22 to celebrate these individuals. To learn more about how this year's honorees have impacted the community, visit carync.gov/wallofhonor.





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