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Office of the City Manager

Monthly Report



September 2026

This update keeps our community informed on major projects, service delivery and the everyday efforts of City staff - providing full visibility into our operations and ensuring that our team remains directly accountable to the residents we serve.

Brian Williams *Mayor*
David Tyler *Vice-Mayor*
Jacky Cagle *Councilmember*
Jeff Ezell *Councilmember*
Andrea Witt *Councilmember*
Brian Koral *City Manager*

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Office of the City Manager
Brian Koral

CITY MANAGER REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2026

To: Mayor and Councilmembers, City Staff, and Residents of East Ridge

Please find attached the September 2026 Monthly Report. This report includes information submitted by the various departments which is then organized and compiled for your review.

This report recognizes the City's efforts to remain transparent and to keep the City moving forward in a positive direction.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments and/or suggestions regarding this report.

Sincerely,

Brian Koral
City Manager

Brian Williams *Mayor* | **David Tyler** *Vice-Mayor* | **Jacky Cagle** *Councilmember* | **Jeff Ezell** *Councilmember* | **Andrea Witt** *Councilmember* | **Brian Koral** *City Manager*

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Jennifer Deitrick
City Clerk
Administration Department

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BUSINESS LICENSES ISSUED:

No new Business Licenses issued September 2026.

NEW BEER PERMITS ISSUED:

BUSINESS NAME	*ADDRESS*
Stop N Go Food Mart	3984 Ringgold Road, East Ridge, TN 37412
Stop N Go Fuel Mart	3452 Ringgold Road, East Ridge, TN 37412

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Cameron Hobbs-McAllister
Administrator
Economic & Community Development

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MONTHLY OVERVIEW:

During September 2026, Economic & Community Development coordinated projects, procurement, grant administration, business outreach, and public engagement across the City. The department closed the submission period for the City's website design and hosting solicitation, continued work with Hamilton County and Parks & Recreation on funding options for Springvale Park, and advanced closeout coordination for the John Ross Road resurfacing project. September also included the successful two-day East Ridge Fall Festival, a site-planning workshop for the National Fitness Campaign, continued preparation of East Ridge Hometown News, and outreach to local businesses regarding the City's Building and Façade Improvement Grant. Throughout the month, ECD worked with City departments, consultants, businesses, regional partners, and funding agencies to move these efforts forward.

KEY ACTIVITY:

- Closed the proposal period for Website Design, Content Management System, and Hosting Services RFP 2026-07-41100-01 at 3:00 p.m. on September 14; logged submissions and began administrative review of timeliness and required materials. One package was recorded as missing a required USB drive for responsiveness review.
- Coordinated with Hamilton County, City leadership, and Parks & Recreation on Springvale Park after the lowest construction base bid came in at approximately $519,500, above the combined $500,000 County award and City commitment; reviewed scope alternatives and grant requirements.
- Continued John Ross Road Resurfacing project closeout for TDOT PIN 131488.00. Construction and final project invoices had been completed and paid; the final reimbursement remained dependent on additional federal funds being obligated and an updated project money tracker.
- Supported planning and public communications for the 5th annual East Ridge Fall Festival, held September 19–20 at Camp Jordan Amphitheater, with free admission and parking, local vendors, food, entertainment, and family activities.
- Participated in the National Fitness Campaign site workshop; Camp Jordan emerged as the preferred location for future consideration based on its walking loop, trail connection, access, parking, activity, and multigenerational potential.
- Responded to Building and Façade Improvement Grant inquiries from Professional Cleaners at 4117 Ringgold Road and Ganesh Distribution at 3801 Ringgold Road; provided program materials and requested ownership, scope, photos, and cost estimates needed for review.
- Edited and coordinated content for the six-page Fall 2026 issue of East Ridge Hometown News, including Community Center and City Manager features and other community updates.
- Supported City and departmental communications, including the Fall Festival media advisory, community event promotion, and public information related to City operations and community matters.
- Continued regional business and community engagement, including East Ridge Council/Chamber participation and planning branded merchandise with local vendor Yogi's for the upcoming

Tennessee PRIMA conference.
- Attended the 2026 Governor's Conference hosted in Chattanooga by Tennessee Department of Economic & Community Development at Chattanooga Convention Center.

ADMINISTRATION, STRATEGIC INITIATIVES, & OPERATIONAL COORDINATION:

- Logged proposal receipt times, deadline compliance, and required paper copies and USB materials; kept administrative responsiveness review separate from technical evaluation.
- Prepared materials for the October 8 Council review and coordinated with Parks & Recreation and Hamilton County on scope options, funding requirements, and eligible costs.
- Coordinated the six-page Fall issue against the September 18 internal deadline, editing and gathering content on the City Manager, Community Center, Venue 1921, Fall Festival, Community Thanksgiving, and Animal Services.
- Met with City Manager Brian Koral and Nea Parris of Paris Campaigns & Creative to discuss potential public relations partnerships.
- Coordinated with Samaritan Center about future programs, outreach, and resources at the East Ridge Community Center.
- Connected Venue 1921 staff with East Ridge Council and Chattanooga Area Chamber networking opportunities.
- Coordinated with Traffic Control Supervisor Jeff Crowe to respond to a traffic-data inquiry concerning the 5500 block of Ringgold Road. Located a 2023 report for the 6800 block, but no matching data for the requested segment.
- Coordinated with WaterWays Chattanooga and Street Department Supervisor Chris Vaughn on the Spring Creek litter boom clean-out.

PORTFOLIO STATUS SUMMARY:

Active Grant Programs	13
Closed Grant Programs	2
Pending Closeout Cycle	1
Pending Application Approval	0
Total Programs Under Administration	16

FUNDING COMPLIANCE & REPORTING ACTIVITY:

Funding Source	Project Details	Notes
Various	Grant Management	Compiled FY26 grant expenditures and invoice support for the City's audit and SEFA review. Reviewed award records and flagged expenditure totals and funding classifications that needed reconciliation prior to submission.
TDOT Local Programs	Road Resurfacing	Followed up with TDOT Local Programs on the additional federal funding obligation and updated money tracker for John Ross Road, both needed to confirm the remaining balance and prepare the final reimbursement claim. The claims remain pending while the balance is unconfirmed.
Local Parks & Recreation Fund Grant	Community Center Expansion	Finalized closeout for the Local Parks and Recreation Fund grant including final expenditure reconciliation. Closeout is officially finalized; the contract expires January 31, 2027.

FUNDING & CAPITAL PROJECT OVERSIGHT:

The following portfolio reflects active funded programs and capital initiatives under ECD oversight:

Fiscal Year	*Grant Name*	*Project*	*Department*	*Status*
FY15	PIN 131488.00	John Ross Road Resurfacing	Administration	Active
FY23	Local Parks & Recreation Fund	Community Center Renovation	Parks & Recreation	Closed
FY24	Safe Streets for All	Safety & Crash Statistic Plan	Administration	Active
FY25	Bureau of Justic BVP	Vest Replacement	Police Department	Active
FY25	Transportation Improvement Plan	Scruggs Road/S. Mack Smith Road Reconstruction	Administration	Active
FY25	Brownfield Assessment	Multi-County Development	Administration	Active
FY26	THSO High Visibility	Radar(s) & Saturation	Police Department	Pending Closeout
FY26	Statewide School Resource Officer Endowment	School Resource Officers	Police Department	Closed
FY26	Hamilton County Leaning into Communities Grant	Springvale Park Redevelopment Project	Parks & Recreation	Active
FY26	Wallace AOA Initiative/Chattanooga 2.0	Youth Development Programs	Administration/Parks & Recreation	Active
FY26	Community Development Block Grant	Camp Jordan Facility Upgrades	Administration/Parks & Recreation	Active
FY26	BOJ Bulletproof Vest Program	Ballistic Vest Reimbursement	Police Department	Active
FY27	Animal Friendly Grant	Spay & Neuter Program	Animal Services	Active
FY27	THSO High Visibility Grant	Saturation/Overtime Enforcement	Police Department	Active
FY27	Statewide School Resource Officer Endowment	School Resource Officers	Police Department	Active
FY27	Tennessee American Water Firefighter Support Grant	Equipment Battery Replacement	Fire Department	Active

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS & DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT:

The department maintained an active and consistent digital communications presence across all platforms, supporting public awareness, community engagement, and transparency.

Total Posts Across Platforms: 57

Facebook (@City of East Ridge – Government)	Platform Followers: 11,117
Number of posts – 22	(+1,060 YoY Growth)
Instagram (@CityofEastRidge)	Platform Followers: 1,106
Number of posts – 16	(+192 YoY Growth)
Twitter (@CityofEastRidge)	Platform Followers: 698
Number of posts – 12	(-5 YoY Growth)

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC NOTICES:

Date	*Release ID*	*Description*	*Department*
9/1/2026	PR-27-105	East Ridge Offices Closed for Labor Day	Administration
9/2/2026	PR-27-104	2026 East Ridge Fall Festival Promotion	Parks & Recreation
9/14/2026	PR-27-106	East Ridge Mourns Councilman Jacky Cagle	Administration
9/16/2026	PR-27-107	2026 East Ridge Fall Festival Media Advisory	Parks & Recreation
9/29/2029	PR-27-108	East Ridge Police Department Recover Juvenile	Police

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Michelle Sinigaglio
Human Resources Director
Administration Department

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EMPLOYEE DATA:

HEADCOUNT	*BUDGET*	*ACTUAL*
Full-Time Employees	161	154
Part-Time Employees	26	23
TOTAL:	**187**	**177**

New Hires: 3
- Venue Manager
- Groundskeeper Laborers (2)

Terminations: 7
- Councilmember
- School Resource Officer
- Police Officer
- Part-Time Recreation Attendant
- Part-Time Park Attendant (3)

Transfers: 0

In Onboarding Process: 3
- Police Officer
- Part-Time Athletic Coordinator
- Part-Time Fitness Instructor

Recruiting For
- Police Officer
- Park Attendant (Part-Time and Full-Time)
- Fitness Instructor (Part-Time)

Police Department Reservists: 4

Volunteer Firefighters: 5

Pending Retirements: 0

Admin and/or Medical Leave: 4

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Patricia Cassidy
Court Clerk
Municipal Court

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City of East Ridge Municipal Court Monthly Report

56 Traffic Citations Issued

COURT APPEARANCES:

DATE	*CRIMINAL*	*TRAFFIC*	*COME BACKS (To Pay)*
09/01/2026	29	18	14
09/08/2026	23	21	16
09/15/2026	26	18	23
09/21/2026	5		
09/26/2026	39	34	16
TOTAL:	**122**	**91**	**69** **(Less than half show)**

NOTES: Custody hearings held on September 21, 2026.

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Clint Uselton
Police Chief
Police Department

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The City of East Ridge Police Department responded to a total of 1,747 calls for service during September 2026.

The department filled a total of 110 open records requests from citizens and the District Attorney's Office.

A total of 591 citations were issued from 734 traffic stops.

The East Ridge Police Department made a total of 76 physical arrests including 83 misdemeanor charges and 28 felony charges.

The East Ridge Police Department answered 3 calls within the City of Ridgeside and conducted daily self-initiated activities (directed patrols, park and walks, etc.).

Currently, one officer is in the Field Training Program and one officer is attending the basic police academy.

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Administrative Division Monthly Report

Records Division / Property and Evidence Division / Open Records / Training / General Administration / School Resource Officer

ERPD Administrative Division

Lieutenant Rogers Car 14 – 59,770 miles

East Ridge Police Department Open Records / Court Operations / Fleet Maintenance / Station Officer, Quartermaster, IT Liaison, School Resource Officer

- General Admin Duties
- Met with Records Division, Property and Evidence Division, Training Sgt., School Resource Officer and Station Officer
- Assisted officers, personnel, and citizens with various requests.
- Mediated technical problems with software/databases and hardware.
- Worked on TylerRMS property module
- Assisted with IT-related Issues
- Fleet Maintenance
- Report Hamilton County Data
- Dash/Body camera maintenance
- City Court duties
- Officer account setup and resolving various account issues
- Policy review and updates
- Issued equipment to Officers
- Assisted / assigned open records requests
- Conducted new hire onboarding
- Attended the LEACT Conference

Station Officer

Corporal M. Wilson Car 11 – 64,627 miles

OPEN RECORDS:

Open Records Requests Received	110
Open Records Requests Completed	105
Open Records Preparation Time	54 hrs.

COURT OPERATIONS:

Hamilton County Grand Jury Cases Presented	2
Hamilton County Grand Jury Cases Requested	2
Hamilton County Grand Jury Appearances	1
East Ridge Municipal Court Appearances	3
East Ridge Municipal Court Prisoner Transport Assists	0

OFFICE CONTACTS:

Citizen Contacts	26
Reports Completed	2

ERPD Records Division

Candace Brown, Myra Miracle, and Melissa Fletcher

INCIDENT REPORTS	*ARREST REPORTS*	*CITATIONS ISSUED*	*CALLS FOR SERVICE*
256	77	108	1,747

- NCIC Transactions – varies daily.
- NCIC entries made by Hamilton County 911 Communications are checked daily.
- Temporary Protection Orders are checked and/or modified daily.
- Validations – vary by month and include 10-50 entries per month.
- NCIC testing and training.
- Emails from Hamilton County 911 Communications are checked daily.
- E-Agent checked daily to ensure no unauthorized transactions have taken place.
- Answered multiple phone calls and emails for police department daily.
- Assisted visitors inside the police/fire departments daily.
- Assisted multiple officers/detectives in case investigations and background checks.
- Fire Department reports checked for accuracy and compliance.
- Entered Fire Department reports in Fire Program and corrections made when needed.
- Reports sent weekly to NFIRS (state program) – reports validated and corrected.

- Answered emails and phone calls daily regarding Police and Fire Department related questions.
- Worked with Hamilton County 911 with CAD assignments on new Officers.

ERPD Property and Evidence Division

Brandy Dove

Items Entered	215
Items Disposed	56
Narcotics Disposed	0
Firearms – prepared for trade / sale	12
Firearms traded / sold (Compass Auctions)	0
Other items sold on Compass	0

DRUGS SEIZED:

Pills (dosage units)	45.5
Pills (grams)	18.9
Cocaine (grams)	6.2
Meth (grams)	53.5
Marijuana (grams)	438.40
MDMA (grams)	3.9
Fentanyl (grams)	41

Training Sergeant

Sergeant S. Rhudy
Car 12 – 64,490 miles

- September 3: Qualified seven officers on their handgun and coached two officers on marksmanship to improve firearms handling.
- September 3: Follow-up meeting with the Point Blank representative to discuss breaching equipment and the status of body armor wear test.
- September 6: Completed the 9/11 Memorial Stair Climb with two other representatives of the East Ridge Police Department.
- September 8: Supported Chief Uselton with his brief on Police Department Operations during the Citizens' Police Academy.
- September 9: Attended SWAT training and conducted Training Simulation Handgun Comparison with three other instructors: Green Gas Airsoft, CO2 .43 Cal, UTM.
- September 10: Assisted Patrol with Warrant Service. Charges included Criminal Impersonation and Fraud.
- September 11: Attended the East Ridge 9/11 Memorial Luncheon.
- September 14: Assisted Patrol with a property call for service.

- September 15: Supported Lt. Hewitt with a brief on Patrol Operations for the Citizens' Police Academy.
- September 17: Assisted Chattanooga Police Department and East Ridge Police Department Patrol Officers with an investigation into an alleged Shots Fired incident and a related Theft case on Anderson Avenue.
- September 22: TLEA Accreditation Manager Class in Pigeon Forge, TN.
- September 23: Attended SWAT training.
- September 24: Conducted Open Range Day for the Department. Qualified three Officers on their service handgun, two Officers on issued rifle, two Officers on issued shotgun, and one Officer on off-duty carry. Also, supported three individuals with additional marksmanship training.
- September 28: SWAT Call Out – planned and conducted high risk search warrant.
- September 29:
    - Attended Hornady Ballistics Class and Demonstration at the Chattanooga Police Department range.
    - Conducted an Active Shooter Characteristics and Response class for the Citizens' Police Academy. Conducted a civilian focused practical exercise and a demonstration on law enforcement response.
- Monthly Activities:
    - Resolved several issues with the Off Duty Management system including adding three additional officers to the roster.
    - Worked on several equipment and logistical issues including an ammunition forecast for 2027.

School Resource Officers

East Ridge High School

Officer Valderaz
Vehicle # 88

No stats reported.

East Ridge Middle School

Officer Landrum
Vehicle # 87 - Mileage: 31,149

Calls for Service: 28	Felony Charges: 0
Call Assists: 0	Offense Reports: 16
Warrants Obtained: 0	Crash Reports: 0
Warrant Service: 0	Traffic Stops: 0
Other Warrant: 0	Traffic Citations: 0
Physical Arrests: 0	F.I.: 0
Misdemeanor Charges: 0	SIA: 0

East Ridge Elementary School

Corporal Chadwick
Vehicle # 03 - Mileage: 63,536

Calls for Service: 62	Felony Charges: 0
Call Assists: 0	Offense Reports: 0
Warrants Obtained: 0	Crash Reports: 0
Warrant Service: 0	Traffic Stops: 0
Other Warrant: 0	Traffic Citations: 0
Physical Arrests: 0	F.I.: 0
Misdemeanor Charges: 0	SIA: 289

Spring Creek Elementary School

Officer Chavez
Vehicle # 08 - Mileage: 46,050

Calls for Service: 0	Felony Charges: 0
Call Assists: 0	Offense Reports: 3
Warrants Obtained: 0	Crash Reports: 0
Warrant Service: 0	Traffic Stops: 0
Other Warrant: 0	Traffic Citations: 0
Physical Arrests: 0	F.I.: 0
Misdemeanor Charges: 0	SIA: 0

Reserve Officers

OFFICER HOURS:

OFFICER	*COURT HOURS*	*PATROL HOURS*
Officer Bailey	0	0
Officer Roberts	0	0
Officer Avans	24	17.5
Officer Bambrick	3.5	22.5
Officer Crawford	0	0
Officer Duncan (ER Fire Dept.)	0	0
Officer Williams (ER Fire Dept.)	0	0
TOTAL:	**27.5**	**40**

Total Reserve hours for September 2026: 67.5

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Clint Uselton
Police Chief
Police Department

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Lieutenant Greg Beck

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS STATS:

NAME	*PREVIOUS MO.*	*REACTIVATED*	*NEW CASES*	*CLEARED CASES*	*CHARGES*	*INACTIVE*	*CARRIED OVER*	*CLEARANCE RATE*
S. Stojnic	20	0	6	4	0	1	21	67%
D. Romans	8	0	5	6	9	1	6	120%
W. Johnson	17	0	5	4	1	2	16	80%
J. Davis	21	0	5	3	10	0	23	60%
TOTAL:	**52**	**2**	**28**	**14**	**7**	**2**	**66**	**50%**

CID Total New Case Assignments	21
CID Total Cases Reassigned	0
CID Total Cases Cleared	17
CID Monthly Clearance Rate	81%

CID NOTE: The Detective Division continues to investigate a variety of alleged criminal offenses occurring within the confines of the city. The Detective Division routinely networks with other law enforcement agencies in sharing intelligence affecting the region.

CUMULATIVE CRIME SUPPRESSION (CSU) STATS:

Firearms submitted to NIBIN	4
Gang Contacts	1
Meth Seizures (grams)	13
Misdemeanor Arrests	2
Felony Arrests	2
Search Warrants Executed	2

CSU NOTE: CSU continues to develop intelligence and has shared it with cooperating agencies to ultimately combat various types of criminal activity within the city. CSU is continuing to conduct follow-up investigations on a variety of cases to include narcotics, fugitive, and vice-related offenses. CSU has taken a very proactive approach to initiating and clearing several good drug-related cases. CSU continues to make relevant transactions with the CPD-NIBIN unit to establish a more proactive approach to gun-related criminal activity. CSU coordinates with relevant patrol officers on follow up activities such as assisting them with continued investigation and/or recommending prosecution based on their findings.

K-9:

K9 NOTE: K9 Quest has been without a partner following Officer Hightower's departure from the Agency. There are no monthly statistics to report. K9 Quest has been boarded by the department's trainer, and his training is on-going until a replacement handler is put into the position on October 11, 2026.

CUMULATIVE WARRANTS DIVISION STATS:

Activity Summary	
New Warrants Received	60
Misdemeanor Warrants Served	10
Felony Warrants Served	12
Warrants Entered into NCIC	34
In-State Transports	2
Extradition Transports	6
Misdemeanor Fingerprints	2
Civilian Fingerprints	5

WARRANTS DIVISION NOTE: The Warrants Division continues to seek solutions to streamline the warrants processes and implement appropriate measures. To date, the Warrants Division has had a measurable increase in the number of warrants served. The changes implemented over the preceding months have enabled the Division to extradite more arrestees from surrounding jurisdictions, including those within surrounding states.

VEHICLE ASSIGNEMENTS:

DRIVER	*VEHICLE*	*MILEAGE*	*MAKE*	*MODEL*
VACANT	15	35,126	Chevrolet	Colorado
G. Beck	29	15,610	GMC	Canyon
VACANT – K9	89	37,771	Ford	PIU
VACANT	5	13,888	Ford	Explorer
J. Goddard	7	14,446	Ford	Explorer
K. Kimsey	28	64,445	Ford	PIU
J. Daverson	6	51,678	Ford	PIU
S. Stojnic	4	11,965	Chevrolet	Colorado
D. Romans	25	32,215	Chevrolet	Colorado
J. Davis	41	26,971	Chevrolet	Colorado
W. Johnson	44	28,265	Chevrolet	Colorado
SPARE-LINE	54	81,284	Dodge	Journey

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Officer	Days Worked	Warrants Obtained	Physical Arrest	Charges Misd.	Charges Felony	Reports (d1, d2)	Field Interview	SIA	Crash Reports	Traffic Stops	Traffic Citations	Service Calls	Assist Calls	Other Warrants	Warrant Service
HINSCH	15	0	0	0	0	6	1	130	0	4	2	18	46	0	0
BURGESS	14	0	1	0	2	11	0	0	0	14	6	54	49	0	0
NEIGHBORS	15	0	0	0	0	10	0	69	3	14	7	27	38	0	0
MAHAFFEY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BAILEY	18	0	4	3	2	15	1	43	0	36	31	52	31	2	2
JOHNSON	13	0	0	0	0	7	1	48	8	31	30	43	29	1	0
BAGWELL	11	0	6	6	0	15	1	9	2	9	3	41	23	0	1
MARQUEZ	8	0	5	3	3	5	0	12	3	32	18	29	18	1	2
ALLEN	12	1	3	3	2	8	0	24	1	15	11	39	11	0	0
DARWIN	13	5	1	5	4	7	0	35	1	36	53	39	25	1	0
KIRBY	15	10	1	11	0	22	0	48	0	21	24	40	23	0	0
BRISELDEN	14	0	7	4	1	22	0	70	0	11	0	88	36	7	4
SMITH	15	0	0	0	0	1	0	32	0	3	1	7	27	0	0
RESENDIZ	16	0	0	0	0	0	1	21	46	163	202	67	58	0	0
HUSKINS	9	1	1	1	0	2	0	54	0	11	7	26	29	0	0
BONANNO	15	1	3	0	0	3	2	17	0	36	39	36	40	0	0
JONES	14	0	4	1	0	7	0	14	0	31	3	20	23	2	1
CORNELIUS	15	5	5	5	1	7	0	4	0	30	27	53	73	0	1
PARTIN	14	7	4	3	2	2	0	35	5	40	15	11	24	0	0
MILLER, W.	15	5	5	5	0	13	0	54	0	13	0	39	16	4	8

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ALEXANDER	15	2	1	2	0	1	0	54	0	8	0	10	40		2
SZYDLOWSKI	17	0	2	0	0	5	0	15	1	38	21	75	18	0	2
WILSON	15	0	7	18	0	7	0	43	11	69	70	39	79	0	0
BLACKBURN	8	3	2	4	2	11	0	18	1	7	8	22	15	1	1
COX	14	0	3	0	2	18	0	18	2	7	3	48	23	1	1
ESTERMYER	14	0	2	0	1	2	0	4	2	19	5	26	4	1	0
MILLER	12	4	4	7	6	6	0	5	0	21	0	32	55	2	2
LOWRANCE	13	1	1	2	0	6	0	16	0	13	5	41	40	0	0
LIVELY	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	2	0	3	39	0	0
TOTAL	**378**	**45**	**72**	**83**	**28**	**219**	**7**	**926**	**86**	**734**	**591**	**1,025**	**932**	**23**	**27**

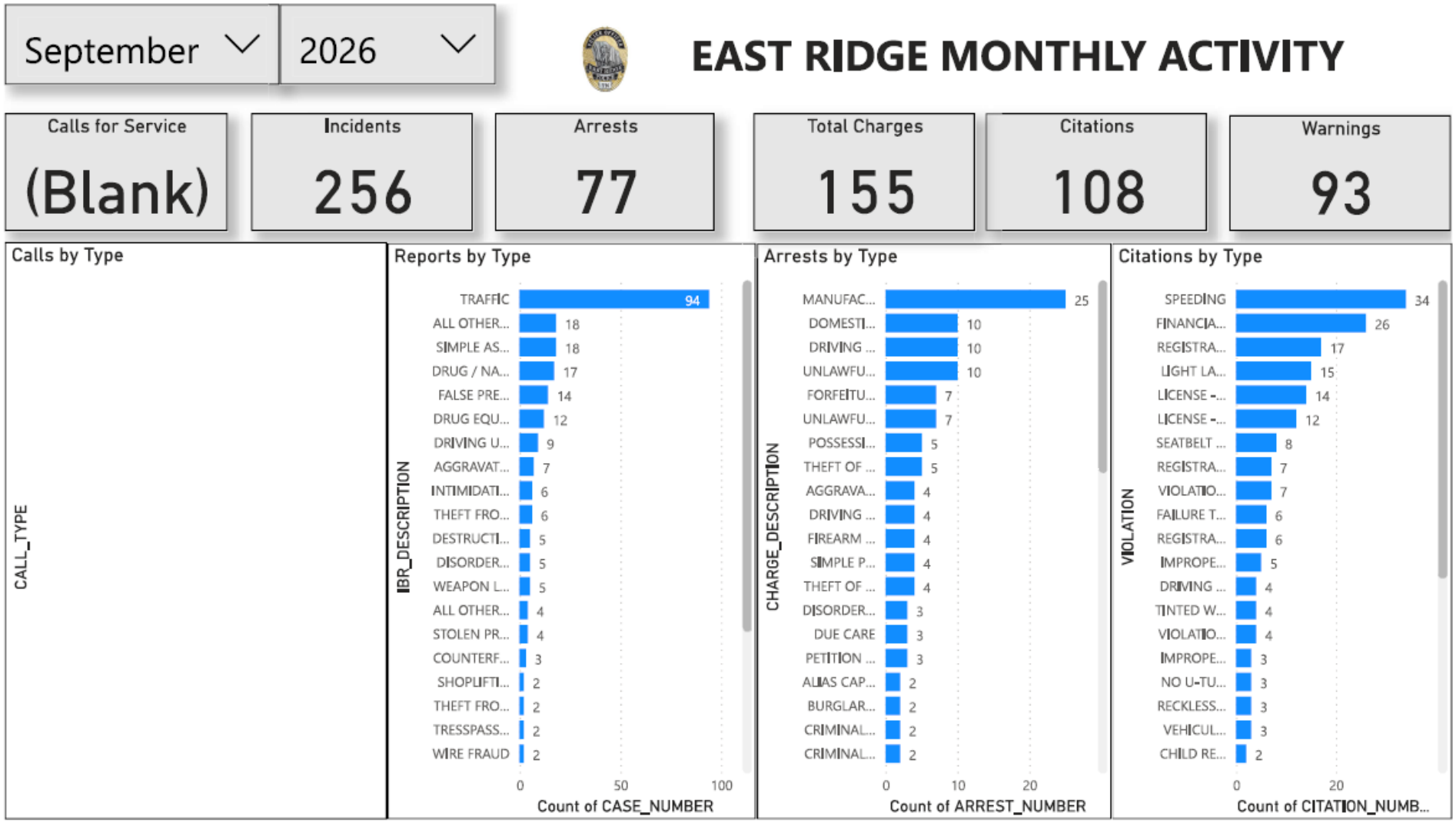
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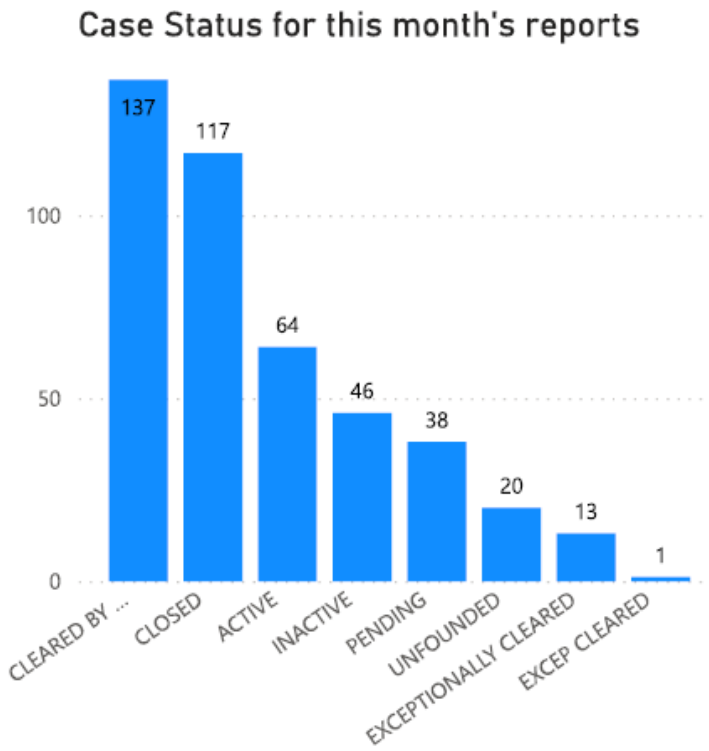
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MAJOR CRIMES:

Weapon Law Violations	7
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	8
Motor Vehicle Theft	2
Forcible Rape	1
Forcible Fondling	1
Drug / Narcotic Violation	21
Driving Under Influence	10
Burglary	2
Aggravated Assault	9

ACTIVITY TOTALS:

Reports Written	256
Citations	1018
Warnings	93



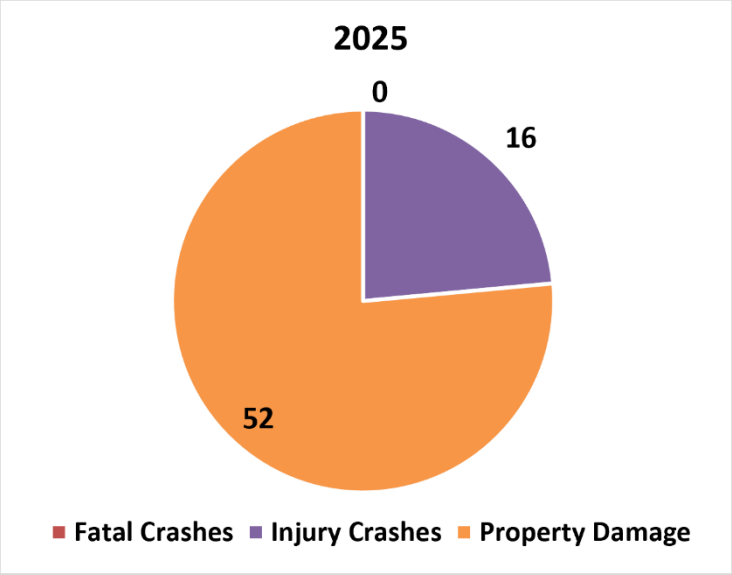
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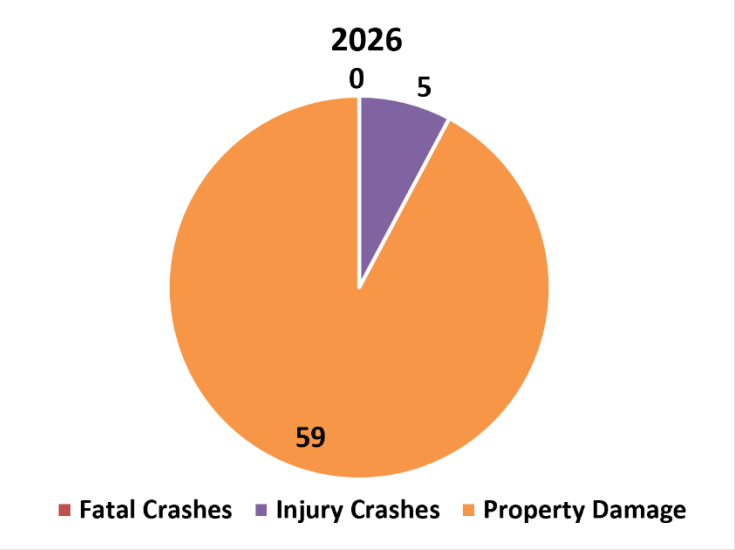
Clint Uselton
Police Chief
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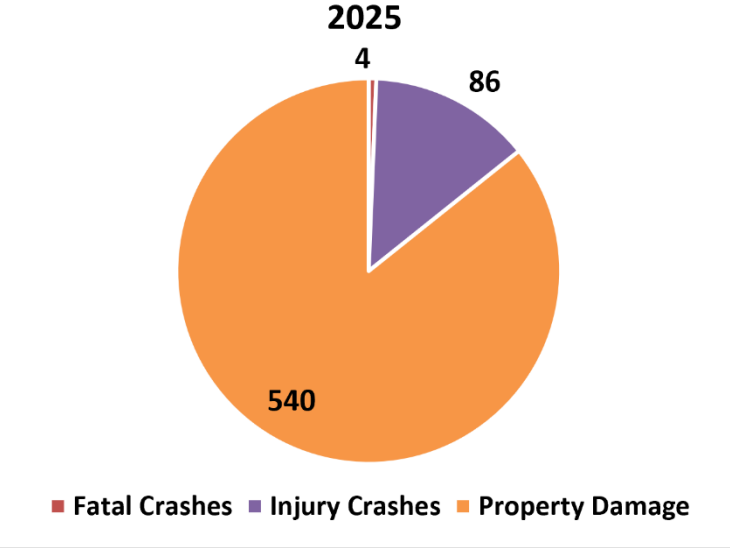
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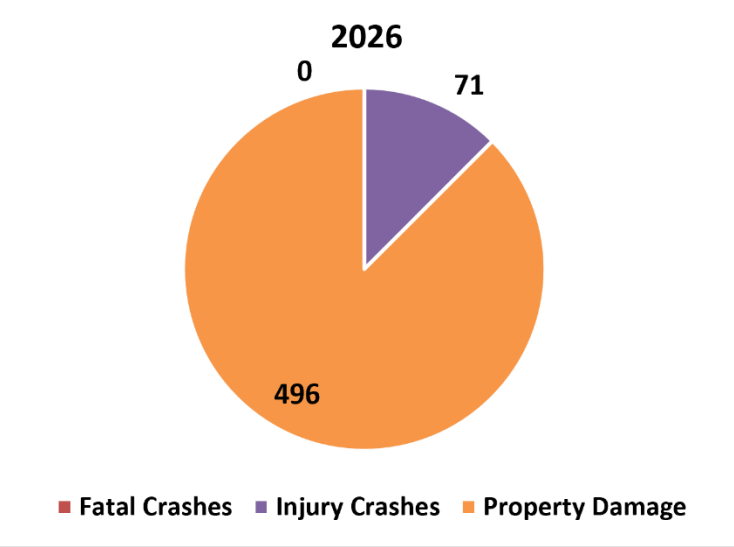
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Clint Uselton
Police Chief
Police Department

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Shelter Population	Cats: 42 housed, 40 in foster care Dogs: 36 housed, 10 in foster care
New Intakes	Cats: 59 Dogs: 21
Calls for Service	57 total calls for service 8 responses to injured / sick animals 3 deceased animals transported 24 running at large calls 2 police assists
Feral Cat Program	25 feral cat traps set 22 feral cats released back into the wild
Cat Statistics	32 adoptions 0 returned to owners 0 transferred out 0 transferred in 0 returned to shelter 4 euthanized 13 neonate kittens passed away in care
Dog Statistics	27 adoptions 8 returned to owners 0 transferred out 0 transferred in 3 returned to shelter 0 euthanized 0 neonate puppies passed away in care

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Mike Williams
Fire Chief
Fire Department

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Monthly Report

Fire Operations

The Department responded to **195** calls for service in the month of **September 2026**.

Fire Administration

- Staff have scheduled fire inspections and training for each shift.
- Staff attended Council meetings.
- Fire Administration has been working on updating Standard Operating Procedures.
- Fire Department met with the Insurance Safety Office (ISO) representatives.
- Chief Williams has been working on purchasing and requisitions for equipment.
- The Department participated in Councilman Jacky Cagle's funeral detail.
- Safety walkthroughs are being completed throughout various departments.

Training

Each shift completed a minimum of two hours of training daily throughout the month. Training topics included:

1. Facility: SCBA Evolution, Air Consumption Drill-Fitness Challenge Obstacle Course (2 hours)
2. Company: Fire Suppression, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch.14 (2 hours)
3. Company: Overhaul Property Conservation and Scene Preservation, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch.15 (2 hours)
4. Driver Training: District Review; Streets, Hydrants, and FDC (2 hours)
5. Company: Building Materials and Structural Collapse, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch.16 (2 hours)
6. Company: Foam Fire Fighting, Liquid Fires, and Gas Fires, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch. 18 (2 hours)
7. Company: Incident Scene Operations, Ref. Essentials 7 Ch.19 (2 hours)
8. EMS: Environmental Emergencies, Ref. First Responder Protocol Manual, PROT-025 to PROT-031 (2 hours)
9. Hazardous Materials: Laws, Regulations and Standards (2 hours)
10. Rescue: Swiftwater Boat Operator Class, 2026 In-Service (6 hours)

Maintenance

- Conducted general maintenance on all apparatus, including fluid checks, bulb replacements, and other preventative maintenance items.
- Ladder 1 – Tire replacement ($4,259.09)

Special Projects

- Working with Human Resources on employee evaluations for fire department members.
- Fire Department In-Service training at Tennessee River Park for boat operations.
- City Building Sprinkler test (Fire Station #2, Venue 1921, Camp Jordan Arena).
- Fire extinguishers tagged in all City buildings.
- Safety walkthrough of Camp Jordan Park.
- The Fire Department has provided EMS event coverage for ERHS football games.
- The Department is currently providing medical standby at Camp Jordan during the Cross-Country events.
- East Ridge Fall Festival standby and Fire Safety display.
- Department members attended the Swiftwater Rescue Conference on the Ocoee River.
- Two members are currently attending an EMR class held in Dallas Bay.

Incident Reports by Incident Type Series September 2026

TYPE OF INCIDENT	NUMBER
Outside Fire: Trash Rubbish	1
Structure Fire: Room and Contents Fire	1
Structure Fire: Structural Involvement	1
Vehicle Fire / Passenger	1
Electrical Hazard / Short Circuit	2
Powerline Down	2
Fuel Spill	2
Gas Leak / Odor of Gas	2
Odor Investigation	3
Smoke Investigation	4
Law Enforcement Support	2
Illness: Abdominal Pain	1
Illness: Allergic reactions	1
Illness: Altered Mental Status	3
Illness: Breathing Problems	10
Illness: Cardiac Arrest	2
Illness: Chest Pains	10
Illness: Convulsions / Seizures	5
Illness: Diabetic	1

Illness: Heart Problems	1
Illness: Nausea	1
Illness: Overdose / Poisoning	7
Illness: No Appropriate Choice	2
Illness: Sick	4
Illness: Stroke	1
Illness: Unconscious	7
Illness: Unknown	7
Illness: Well Person Check	1
Injury/ Eye Trauma	1
Injury / Trauma: Fall	4
Trauma / Gunshot Wound	2
Heat Exposure	6
Injury / Trauma: Hemorrhage	4
Other Entrapment	1
Motor Vehicle Crash w / Injuries	12
Trauma / other	1
Trauma / stabbing	1
Other: Standby Request	2
No Emergency: Canceled	8
False Alarm: Accidental Alarm	13
False Alarm: Intentional False	1
False Alarm: Malfunctioning Alarm	9
False Alarm: Other False Call	1
Good Intent Call: No Incident Found	2
Good Intent: Smoke Scare	1
Fire or Smoke Alarm	15
Service Call	3
Lift Assist	20
Rescue: Extrication / Entrapped	1
Elevator emergency	1
Total Alarms for September 2026	**195**

Fire Property Loss	$22,000
Fire Property Saved	$1,876,000
Civilian Deaths	0
Civilian Injury	0
Firefighter Injuries	0
Firefighter Deaths	0

MUTUAL AID REPORT	
Mutual Aid Received	3
Mutual Aid Given	0
TOTAL MUTUAL AID CALLS:	**3**

CALLS TO THE CITY OF RIDGESIDE	
Emergency Medical Calls	1
Fire Related Calls	0
Other	1
TOTAL CITY OF RIDGESIDE CALLS:	2

FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE	
Annual Inspections	51
New Inspections	3
Plan Reviews	8
Public Education Events	8
Special Projects or Meetings attended	3
Notables: Annual Sprinkler Quotes, Parade Meeting	2

OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS	
NFIRS Report(s) Requested	6
Other (Fire Marshal's Office)	0

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Ray Gmuer
Supervisor
Building Maintenance

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City Hall

- Remodeled the conference room including painting, converting lights to LED, running wire, adding outlets/pass throughs and changing ceiling tiles.
- Picked up the new door lock assemblies for the side entrances of City Hall.

Court

- Hung Councilman Jacky Cagle's picture for the first City Council meeting after his passing.
- Replaced one of the light bulbs in the office hallway.

Library

- Received 3 quotes for fencing in the outdoor activity area.

Police Department

- Provided paint and supplies for the officers.

Fire Department

- Replaced the exhaust fan thermostat at station 2, as well as ran wire and put it on its own breaker.
- Repaired the dryer at Station 2.
- Continued working with Jake Marshall on the AC issues at Station 2.
- Added a ceiling in the mop closet at Station 2.
- Replaced the diaphragm and vacuum breaker in the urinal at Station 2.

Community Center

- Replaced the lights in the chase, women's restroom and outside the restrooms of the Pioneer Playground bathrooms.
- Contacted EPB about the lights out around the Pioneer Playground.
- Re-configured the sod timers and changed out the batteries.
- Fabricated new poles for the pickleball nets.

Venue 1921 at East Ridge

- Re-hung the signs that had fallen off the walls.
- Had AMS come out and fix the lobby and suites AC.
- Met with HK Construction on warranty issues.
- Replaced the filters in the 2 indoor units
- Met with AMS to have the HVAC controls put on Building Maintenance Supervisor's laptop.

Camp Jordan Park / Arena

- Fabricated and welded a plate to the frame of the gator that was in an accident at Camp Jordan.

Animal Shelter

- Performed bi-weekly mowing and weed eating.
- Ordered more railroad ties for the play yards.
- Fixed the door closers on the exam room door and the food prep door.
- Continued working on the kennel toppers.
- Repaired the hose going to the rear outside kennels.
- Replaced the hose bib under the sally port.
- Re-secured the falling play yard tarps.

Sanitation Department

- Replaced and re-plumbed the hose bib, shut off valves and PRV entering the office building.
- Began work on making a washing station for all vehicles.
- Picked up a new hot water pressure washer and prepped for use in the new washing station.
- Had TAW replace the meter going to the wash station.
- Installed a keyless entry keypad on the wash station door.

Street Department

- Reprogrammed the ice machine so it was working properly again.
- Added hazard lights 360 degrees around the backhoe.

Traffic Control Department

- Had Jake Marshall come out and fix the AC unit, as well as provide a quote on replacing it.
- Had Icon and Eldrige provide 2 more quotes for replacing the HVAC unit.

Building Maintenance Department

- Performed bi-weekly mowing and weed eating.
- Converted the light fixture in the filter storage room to LED.
- Vacuumed and cleaned the shop and offices bi-weekly.
- Detailed truck 111 and attended the services for Councilman Jacky Cagle.

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Robert Parker
Supervisor
Solid Waste Department

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SOLID WASTE REPORT:

Solid Waste Collected	738.26 tons
Recycled Materials Collected	48.36 tons
Dumpster Junk	62.34 tons
Dumpster Rentals	6
Brush Collected	75 loads
Metal Collected	2 tons
Cart Repairs / Replacement (lids / cans)	53
New / Extra Garbage Cans	15
New Recycle Cans	18

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Chris Vaughn
Supervisor
Street Department

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WORK ORDERS:

TYPE	*PRODUCED*	*NOTES*
Drain Patrol	36 Locations	Checked and cleaned
Ditch Cleaning	5 Locations	Cleaned out with back-hoe
Jetted Out Pipes	4 Locations	Water jet trailer
Street Sweeper	33 Locations	Various streets swept
Asphalt Repairs	7 Locations	Bags of asphalt put out
Litter Collection	38 Locations	Trash picked up
Mowing & Trimming:		
Boom Mower	18 Locations	
City Right-of-Ways	31 Locations	
Exit 1	1 Location	
Code Enforcement	4 Yards	
Miscellaneous	62 Locations	Various work completed

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Jeff Crowe
Supervisor
Traffic Control

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WORK ORDERS:

TYPE	*QUANTITY*
New Signage	20
Signs Installed	25
Sign Maintenance	94
Shop Tasks	8
Miscellaneous	17
Signal Repairs	14
Banners	9
Traffic Studies	7
Resident Requests	4
Street Light Requests	1
ER Police Department Requests	2
ER Fire Department Requests	0
Street Department Requests	1
Sanitation Department Requests	1
Building Maintenance Requests	1
Camp Jordan Park Requests	2
Venue 1921 Requests	0
Building and Codes Requests	1
Animal Services Requests	2

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Michael Howell
Chief Building Official
Building and Codes Department

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DEPARTMENT STAFF

Number of Employees: 5

Michael Howell	Chief Building Official
Melissa Mahoney	Administrative Assistant / Permit Technician
Torrey Holder	Residential Building Inspector
Michael Pettyjohn	Codes Enforcement Officer
Jeremy Hicks	Codes Enforcement Officer

MISSION

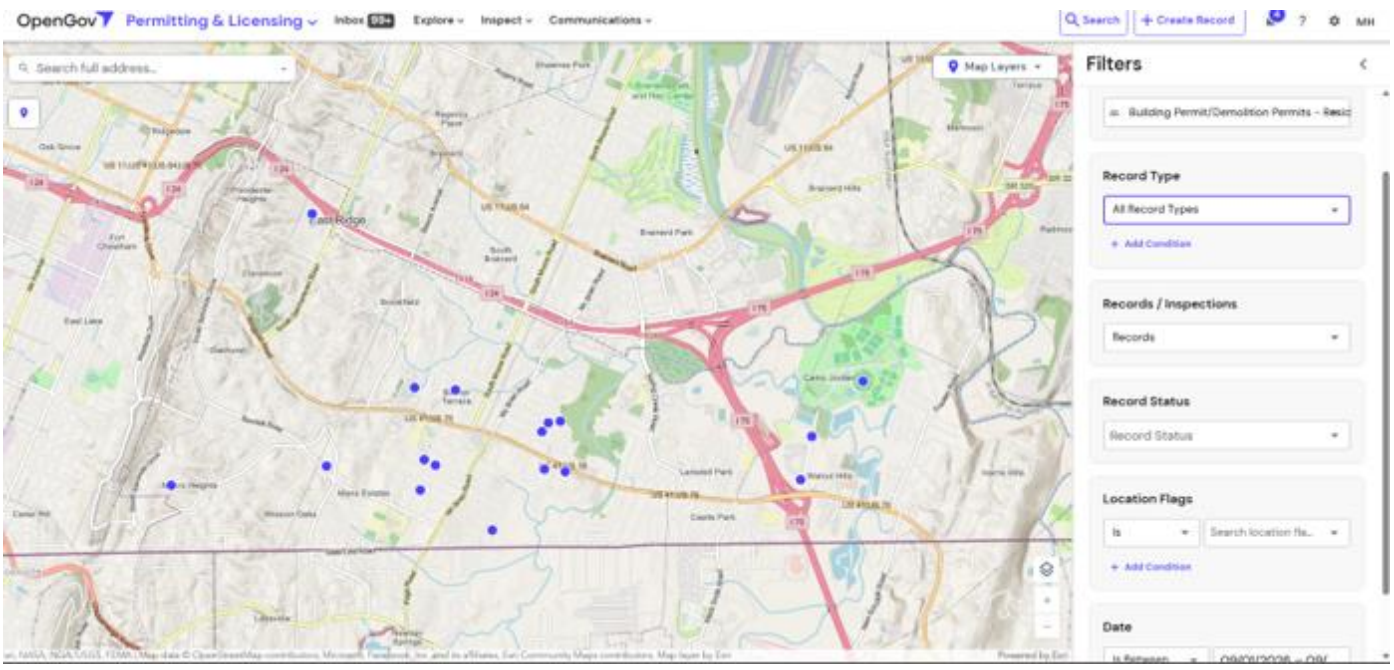
The purpose of the Codes Department is to ensure that all citizens and contractors are assisted concerning the issues of Building Codes and safety, and Property Maintenance Codes. The duty of this department is to inspect and enforce these regulations in a certified and professional manner.

MONTHLY ACTIVITY SUMMARY

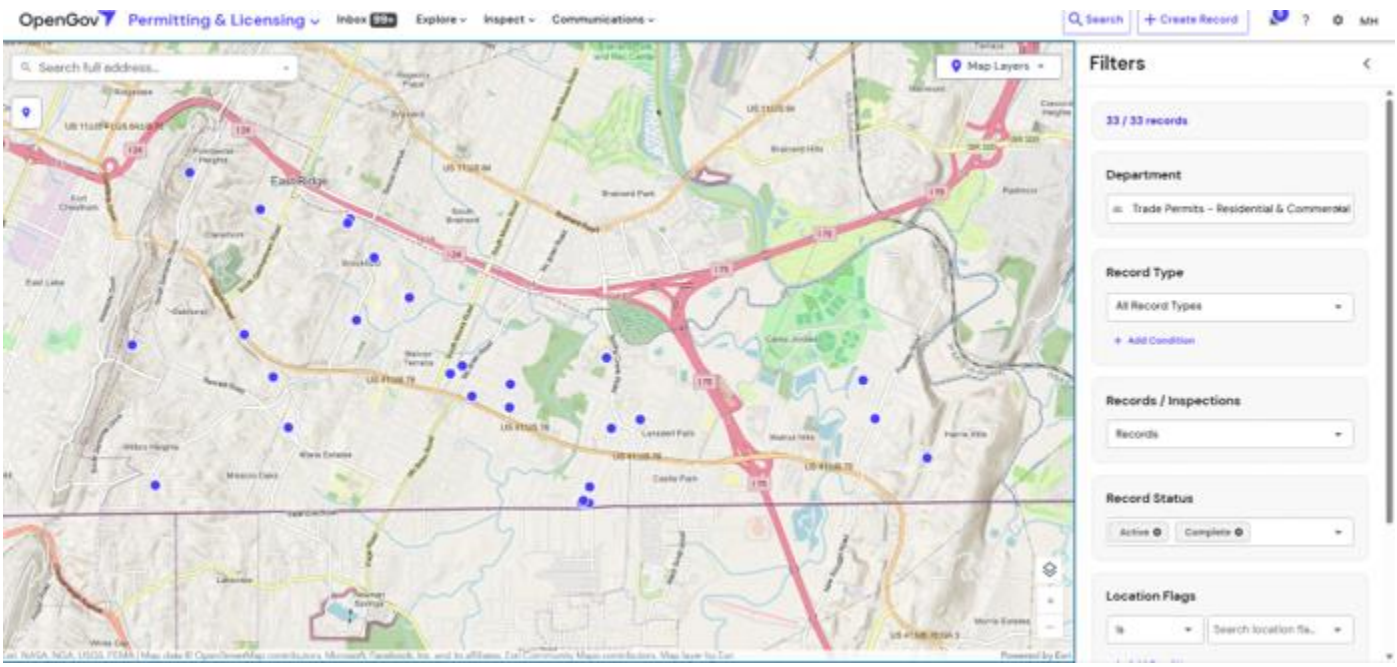
Activity	Scope of Activity	Monthly Total
Issuing of Permits	Building (Comm. & Res.), Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Fire, Sign	**58**
Building Inspections	Building, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, Energy	**166**
Re-inspections	Trades that have failed the first inspection	**7**
Street Cut Permits	WWTA, Chattanooga Gas & TAW street cut permits	**3**
Signs Removed	Illegal signs removed from city limits, including bandit signs, political signs, etc.	**1**
Continuing Education	Training required for department certifications, including International Building Certification	**6 Hours**
Property Maintenance Liens	Unpaid property maintenance issues, including grass cutting, demo of unsafe structures, etc.	**12**
Housing Board	Cases involving repair or demolition of the structure	**5 Cases**

Activity	Scope of Activity	Monthly Total
Board of Zoning Appeals	Cases involving zoning ordinances	**1 Case**
Planning Commission	Rezoning, subdivision regulations, and plat signing	**1 Case**
Plan Reviews	In-house plan reviews, Commercial/Residential — Plat Reviews	**16**
Unsafe Structure Abatement	Demolition of an unsafe structure	**0**
Code Violations	Open Storage, Disabled Vehicles, Trash & Debris, and other property maintenance violations	**226**
	Open Storage	**89**
	Disabled Vehicles	**28**
	Trash & Debris	**7**
	Post for Cleanups	**74**
	Other (Premise ID, Fence, Soffits, Fascia Boards, Gutters, Windows, etc.)	**28**
Customer Service Calls	Facilitate calls and inquiries that citizens and contractors may have	**Daily**
Local Building Official Meeting	Quarterly meeting for Collegedale, Red Bank, Soddy-Daisy, Chattanooga, and Hamilton County	**0**

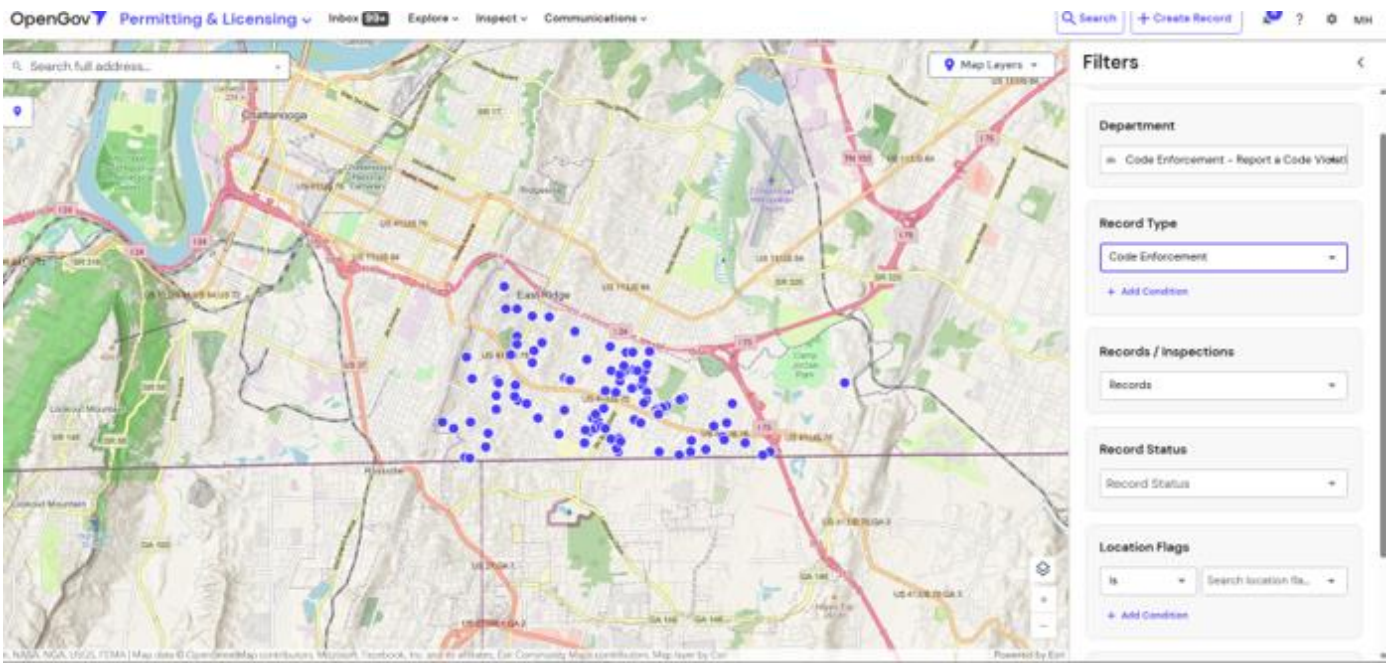
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Shawnna Skiles
Director
Parks and Recreation

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City of East Ridge Parks and Recreation Department
Monthly Report

September was a productive and successful month for the East Ridge Parks & Recreation Department. Camp Jordan continued to serve as a premier sports tourism destination, hosting regional athletic tournaments that attracted athletes, families, and visitors from across the Southeast. In addition, the department successfully hosted the annual East Ridge Fall Festival, one of the city's signature community events, while also advancing programming and partnership initiatives through the Community Center.

Throughout the month, staff balanced tournament operations, community programming, special events, partnership development, and planning for upcoming holiday events. These efforts supported local tourism, strengthened community engagement, and contributed to the economic vitality of East Ridge.

SPORTS TOURISM & CAMP JORDAN OPERATIONS:

Camp Jordan remained busy throughout September, hosting a diverse schedule of sporting events including Ultimate Frisbee, softball, baseball, volleyball, and recreational programming.

September Event Summary

- 2 Ultimate Frisbee tournaments
- 2 Fast-Pitch Softball tournaments
- 1 USSSA Baseball/Softball tournament
- 1 Perfect Game Baseball tournament
- 1 Grass Volleyball tournament
- 1 recreational Waffle Ball event

These events generated significant visitor traffic and overnight stays while continuing to position Camp Jordan as a leading destination for youth and amateur sports throughout the region. The variety of events allowed the facility to serve multiple user groups and maximize field utilization throughout the month.

EAST RIDGE FALL FESTIVAL:

The annual East Ridge Fall Festival was held September 19-20 at Camp Jordan and once again served as one of the City's premier community events.

The festival brought together residents, visitors, vendors, community organizations, and local businesses for a weekend of family-friendly entertainment, shopping, food, and community engagement. Staff coordinated closely with sponsors, vendors, volunteers, and various city departments to ensure a safe and successful event.

Beyond providing a high-quality community experience, the festival generated substantial attendance, increased visitation to Camp Jordan, and provided economic benefits to local businesses and participating vendors. The event also provided an opportunity to promote upcoming Parks & Recreation programming and recruit volunteers, sponsors, and participants for future community events.

The continued success of the Fall Festival reflects the strong community support for Parks & Recreation programming and East Ridge's commitment to providing quality events for residents and visitors.

COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRAMS & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

The East Ridge Community Center remained actively engaged throughout September by providing recreational programming, hosting community gatherings, offering educational opportunities, and developing partnerships that support residents throughout the city.

Staff hosted a community luncheon on September 30 and provided support for several community events and meetings throughout the month, including the 9/11 Luncheon, Optimist Club gatherings, and the Cagle Family Luncheon. Community Center staff also participated in multiple media appearances promoting the East Ridge Fall Festival.

Community partnerships remained a priority as staff continued collaborating with local organizations on the development of a Food Forest at Pioneer Park and met with representatives from the Samaritan Center to explore future partnership opportunities. Staff also participated in Aging of America (AOA) Working Group meetings and Chattanooga 2.0 OSTA meetings to strengthen regional collaboration and identify additional resources for residents.

Community Education and Technology Programs

September marked the completion of the Community Center's first Tech Goes Home class, providing participants with valuable technology and digital literacy skills. Building on the success of the program, a second Tech Goes Home class was launched and is scheduled to graduate on October 7.

These programs continue to create opportunities for lifelong learning while helping residents gain access to essential technology skills.

Recreation and Fitness Participation

Community Center programs continued to experience strong participation throughout September:

Basketball Open Gym	101 participants
Senior Fit	91 participants
Pickleball Open Gym	75 participants
Functional Fit	33 participants
Line Dancing	14 participants
Aerobics	5 participants
TOTAL PARTICIPATION	**319 visits/participants**

Staff also continued efforts to improve membership tracking and reporting accuracy following the facility's reopening. Previously, Pickleball, Functional Fit, and Line Dancing participants were categorized under the Senior Fit program. Membership records are currently being redistributed into the appropriate activity categories, providing a more accurate representation of participation levels and program utilization moving forward.

UPCOMING HOLIDAY PROGRAMMING:

East Ridge Christmas Parade

Planning efforts are well underway for the 2026 East Ridge Christmas Parade, scheduled for Saturday, November 21, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

As one of the first Christmas parades of the season in the region, the event is expected to draw significant community participation and attendance. Current efforts include participant recruitment, sponsorship outreach, logistics planning, traffic management coordination, and marketing initiatives.

The parade will feature entries from schools, churches, civic groups, businesses, and community organizations. To encourage participation, local schools will compete for cash awards, while non-school entries will be recognized with trophy awards.

The registration deadline for parade entries is November 5, 2026.

East Ridge Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Planning and coordination have also begun for the 4th Annual East Ridge Community Thanksgiving Dinner, scheduled for Monday, November 23, 2026, at the East Ridge Community Center.

This free community event provides residents with an opportunity to enjoy a Thanksgiving meal and fellowship with neighbors while strengthening community connections during the holiday season. Staff are currently focused on community outreach, registration, volunteer recruitment, logistics coordination, and partnership development to ensure another successful event.

DEPARTMENT IMPACT:

September demonstrated the Parks & Recreation Department's continued ability to successfully balance sports tourism, community programming, facility operations, and special event planning.

Through tournament activity at Camp Jordan, the successful execution of the East Ridge Fall Festival, the growth of Community Center programming, and preparations for upcoming holiday events, the department continued to enhance quality of life for residents while supporting tourism, community engagement, and economic development.

As the department moves into the fall and holiday season, staff remain focused on delivering safe, high-quality recreational opportunities and community events that strengthen East Ridge's reputation as a destination for sports tourism, community programming, and family-friendly experiences.

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Kanita Stojnic
Venue Manager
Venue 1921 at East Ridge

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Venue 1921 at East Ridge
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OVERVIEW:

Venue 1921 continues to build awareness and grow its booking calendar. The focus remains on increasing bookings, reaching new audiences, and establishing the venue as a valuable community asset for East Ridge.

PARTNERSHIPS & PROGRAMMING:

Continued building relationships with local businesses, vendors, and community partners. Planning also continued for the upcoming Fall Market and Trunk or Treat, creating opportunities to bring local vendors, families, and the community together.

OPERATIONS & BOOKINGS:

Focused on client follow-ups, new booking opportunities, and filling remaining dates for 2026. Outreach continued for private celebrations, corporate events, nonprofit organizations, school events, and public programming. Work also continues building the 2027 booking calendar and encouraging repeat business.

MARKETING & DATA DEVELOPMENT:

Marketing efforts continue to introduce Venue 1921 to more people throughout East Ridge and the surrounding area. Website updates, local outreach, and promotion of available November and December dates are helping keep the venue visible and encourage new inquiries. The focus remains on turning that awareness into bookings and long-term relationships.

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Patty Weaver
Head Librarian
Library Department

FY26/27 Library Services Statistics as of September 30, 2026

	JULY 2026	AUG. 2026	SEPT. 2026	OCT. 2026	NOV. 2026	DEC. 2026	JAN. 2027	FEB. 2027	MAR. 2027	APR. 2026	MAY 2027	JUNE 2027	YTD FY26-27
CIRCULATION (BOOKS/AUDIO)	3,413	2,943	**2,717**										**9,073**
CIRCULATION E-BOOKS	312	361	**333**										**1,006**
COMPUTER USERS	206	221	**325**										**752**
NEW CARDS ISSUED	39	90	**35**										**164**
PROGRAMS / ATTENDANCE	38 / 576	18 / 138	**36 / 692**										**92 / 1,406**
DOCUMENTS NOTORIZED	13	10	**19**										**42**
PAGES FAXED	21	64	**56**										**142**
PAGES SCANNED	26	204	**8**										**238**
COPIES MADE	2,574	4,201	**3,071**										**9,846**
ITEMS CATALOGUED	91	106	**71**										**268**
ITEMS DELETED	66	123	**225**										**414**

35 new cards issued (31 Adult/4 Juvenile)
1 Game Night - 15 participants
4 Knitting Club - 19 participants
1 Adult Bingo - 8 participants
4 Baby Story Time - 31 participants
5 Story Time - 108 participants
1 Adult Gardening Club - 2 participants
1 Adult Book Club - 7 participants
1 Craft Program - 5 participants
1 LEGO Club - 8 participants
1 Teen Advisory Board - 4 participants
1 Teen Fibers Art Program - 9 participants
1 Pokémon Club - 8 participants
1 Watercolor Class - 13 participants
1 Elementary School Book Club - 13 participants
1 Middle School Book Club - 4 participants
7 Diamond Art Club - 49 participants

The Library attended the Fall Festival on September 19 and 20 and engaged with and offered crafts to approximately 380 people.