



City of East Ridge

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Office of the City Manager

Monthly Report



August 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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Brian Koral

CITY MANAGER REPORT AUGUST 2026

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

Please find attached the August 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



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Jennifer Deitrick
City Clerk
Administration Department

August 2026 Business License and Beer Permits Monthly Report

BUSINESS LICENSES ISSUED:

No new Business Licenses issued August 2026.

NEW BEER PERMITS ISSUED:

No new Beer Permits issued August 2026.



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Cameron Hobbs-McAllister
Administrator

Economic & Community Development

August 2026 Economic & Community Development Monthly Report

MONTHLY OVERVIEW:

August reflected continued progress across several major City projects, programs, and community initiatives, with Economic & Community Development providing coordination and administrative support across a broad range of activities. During August 2026, departmental efforts included advancing procurement and project planning activities, addressing changing project costs and funding considerations, supporting the completion and opening of new community improvements, and coordinating with City departments, consultants, funding partners, and regional organizations on ongoing and upcoming initiatives. The department also maintained oversight of active grant programs and funding requirements while continuing to support economic development opportunities and organizational priorities. Public engagement was particularly active throughout August, with continued management of the City's digital communications, promotion of community programs and events, development of public information materials, and coordination of outreach efforts intended to keep residents, businesses, and community partners informed and engaged.

KEY ACTIVITY:

- Continued administration and coordination of active local, state, and federal grant programs, including reimbursement processing, compliance requirements, funding reconciliation, reporting, and project closeout activities.
- Advanced the City's Website Design, Content Management System (CMS) & Hosting Services procurement process, including management of vendor inquiries, development and issuance of solicitation clarifications, coordination of proposal requirements, and continued preparation for proposal review and evaluation.
- Coordinated with Hamilton County and City leadership regarding the Springvale Park redevelopment project following construction bids exceeding available project funding, including review of project scope, funding limitations, match requirements, and potential alternatives for use of the City and County investment.
- Supported completion and reopening activities associated with the East Ridge Community Center expansion, including public communications, program promotion, coordination with Parks & Recreation, and community outreach surrounding the facility's August grand opening.
- Continued planning, marketing, and interdepartmental coordination for upcoming City programs and community events, including the 2026 East Ridge Fall Festival and other Parks & Recreation initiatives.
- Coordinated with Chattanooga 2.0 and City departments in support of the Adolescent Learning Series, including facility coordination and programming held at Venue 1921 and the East Ridge Community Center.
- Continued economic development outreach and coordination with local businesses, property interests, regional partners, and prospective development opportunities within the City.
- Managed and developed Citywide public communications, including social media content, municipal announcements, public notices, project and program updates, employment

opportunities, community events, and departmental marketing materials.

- Continued coordination of the City's GPS transition, including completion of vehicle installations, activation and billing coordination, cancellation of previous services, and return of remaining equipment.
- Advanced closeout coordination for the TDOT Local Programs John Ross Road Resurfacing Project, including review of historical project documentation and coordination regarding outstanding financial and reimbursement requirements.
- Coordinated content development and departmental outreach for the upcoming Fall edition of East Ridge Hometown News, including identification of community stories, departmental features, and upcoming City initiatives.
- Continued partnership development and external coordination with regional organizations, funding agencies, healthcare partners, community organizations, consultants, and other stakeholders supporting City projects and initiatives.

PORTFOLIO STATUS SUMMARY:

Active Grant Programs	13
Closed Grant Programs	0
Pending Closeout Cycle	2
Pending Application Approval	2
Total Programs Under Administration	17

FUNDING RECONCILIATION & REIMBURSEMENT ACTIVITY (SUBMITTED / PROCESSED):

Reimbursement-based funding is actively monitored to ensure timely submission, regulatory compliance, and accurate financial reconciliation

Funding Source	Project Details	Vendor	Amount
TDOT PIN 131488.00	John Ross Road Resurfacing	Volkert Engineering	\$24,939.08
FY25 Bureau of Justice BVP	Vest Replacement Reimbursement	Premier Body Armor	\$11,428.80

FUNDING COMPLIANCE & REPORTING ACTIVITY:

Funding Source	Project Details	Notes
Bureau of Justice Assistance Bulletproof Vest Program	Vest Replacement Reimbursement	Processed eligible vest replacement expenditures and reimbursement documentation, including funding reconciliation and continued administration of program requirements.
Hamilton County Leaning into Communities Grant	Springvale Park Redevelopment	Coordinated with Hamilton County regarding project funding requirements and potential modification of the approved project scope following construction bids exceeding available funding; reviewed City match requirements, available funding, and procedures required for consideration of an alternative project scope.
Local Parks & Recreation Fund Grant	Community Center Expansion	Continued grant closeout and compliance activities associated with project completion, including coordination of outstanding documentation, funding reconciliation, and final project requirements following completion and

		reopening of the facility.
Tennessee American Water Firefighter Support Grant	Equipment Battery Replacement	Coordinated development and submission of the FY27 funding request supporting replacement batteries and related equipment needs.
TDOT PIN 131488.00	John Ross Road Resurfacing	Coordinated with TDOT Local Programs regarding additional pending obligation of federal funds and updated project funding reconciliation.

FUNDING & CAPITAL PROJECT OVERSIGHT:

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

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Grant Name</i>	<i>Project</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Status</i>
FY15	PIN 131488.00	John Ross Road Resurfacing	Administration	Active
FY23	Local Parks & Recreation Fund	Community Center Renovation	Parks & Recreation	Pending Closeout
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	Active
FY26	Statewide School Resource Officer Endowment	School Resource Officers	Police Department	Pending Closeout
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	Pending Approval
FY27	Hamilton County Homeland Security Grant	Thermal Imaging Monocular Equipment	Police Department	Pending Approval

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:

Facebook (@City of East Ridge – Government)

Number of posts – 28

Platform Followers: **11,024**

(+1,049 YoY Growth)

Instagram (@CityofEastRidge)

Number of posts – 15

Platform Followers: **1,079**

(+178 YoY Growth)

Twitter (@CityofEastRidge)

Number of posts – 10

Platform Followers: **695**

(-4 YoY Growth)

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC NOTICES:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Release ID</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Department</i>
8/3/2026	PR-27-102	East Ridge Community Center Grand Re-Opening Press Release	Parks & Recreation
8/17/2026	PR-27-103	East Ridge Community Center Grand Re-Opening Media Advisory	Parks & Recreation



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Michelle Sinigaglio
Human Resources Director
Administration Department

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EMPLOYEE DATA:

<i>HEADCOUNT</i>	<i>BUDGET</i>	<i>ACTUAL</i>
Full-Time Employees	161	153
Part-Time Employees	26	28
TOTAL:	187	181

New Hires: 7

Part-Time Park Attendant
Part-Time Animal Shelter Support Staff
Admin Support Specialist
Police Officers (2)
Streets Laborers (2)

Terminations: 4

Venue Manager
Police Officer
K9 Officer
Park Attendant

Transfers: 0

In Onboarding Process: 3

Venue Manager
Groundskeeper
Part-Time Fitness Instructor

Recruiting For

Crossing Guard (Part-Time)
Police Officer
Park Attendant
Athletic Coordinator (Part-Time)

Police Department Reservists: 4

Volunteer Firefighters: 5

Pending Retirements: 0

Admin and/or Medical Leave: 1



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Patricia Cassidy
Court Clerk
Municipal Court

August 2026

City of East Ridge Municipal Court Monthly Report

57 Traffic Citations Issued

COURT APPEARANCES:

<i>DATE</i>	<i>CRIMINAL</i>	<i>TRAFFIC</i>	<i>COME BACKS (To Pay)</i>
08/04/2026	31	17	13
08/11/2026	30	18	16
08/18/2026	30	39	18
08/25/2026	34	40	24
TOTAL:	125	114	71 (Less than half show)

NOTES: Custody only hearings held on July 20, 2026.



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Clint Uselton
Police Chief
Police Department

August 2026

City of East Ridge Police Chief's Monthly Report

The City of East Ridge Police Department responded to a total of 1,948 calls for service during August 2026.

The department filled a total of 111 open records requests from citizens and the District Attorney's Office.

A total of 552 citations were issued from 722 traffic stops.

The East Ridge Police Department made a total of 76 physical arrests that included 100 misdemeanor charges and 73 felony charges.

The East Ridge Police Department answered 8 calls within the City of Ridgeside and conducted daily self-initiated activities (directed patrols, park and walks, etc.).

Currently, three officers are in the Field Training Program and two officers are preparing to go to the basic police academy.



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August 2026 City of East Ridge Police Department 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 – 58,820 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

Station Officer

Corporal M. Wilson Car 11 – 63,075 miles

OPEN RECORDS:

Open Records Requests Received	111
Open Records Requests Completed	110
Open Records Preparation Time	32 hrs. 20 mins.

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	29
Reports Completed	0

ERPD Records Division

Candace Brown, Myra Miracle, and Melissa Fletcher

<i>INCIDENT REPORTS</i>	<i>ARREST REPORTS</i>	<i>CITATIONS ISSUED</i>	<i>CALLS FOR SERVICE</i>
259	101	115	2,511

- 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	167
Items Disposed	0
Narcotics Disposed	0
Firearms – prepared for trade / sale	0
Firearms traded / sold (Compass Auctions)	0
Other items sold on Compass	0

DRUGS SEIZED:

Pills (dosage units)	19
Crack Cocaine (grams)	6.1
Cocaine (grams)	0.1
Meth (grams)	75.14
Marijuana (grams)	8.7
Fentanyl (grams)	35.2
Fentanyl (dosage units)	3

Training Sergeant

Sergeant S. Rhudy

Car 12 – 63,902 miles

- August 3: Assisted with a high-risk warrant service operation on S. Seminole Drive (ERPD 26-007354)
- August 3: Supported the community outreach event, Popsicles with Cops, at the Splash Pad.
- August 12 & 26: Participated in SWAT training exercises.
- August 17: Served on the interview panel for police officer candidate Phillip Listern.
- August 18: Assisted Patrol Division with a high-risk warrant service operation at 1602 Truman Avenue (ERPD 26-007919).
- August 19: Served on the interview panel for police officer candidate Lance Kuban.
- August 20-21: Completed the TASER Instructor Course in Gallatin, Tennessee.
- August 25: Responded to a welfare check and assisted with a medical call for service on N. Mission Oaks Drive (ERPD 26-008199).

ONGOING ACTIVITIES:

- Assumed responsibilities as the department's Training Sergeant.
- Assumed oversight of the Field Training Officer (FTO) Program from Sgt. Smith.
- Met with GT Distributors regarding historical uniform files and uniform options for new hires.
- Worked with SRO Chavez to coordinate classroom monitor repairs at Spring Creek Elementary School.
- Coordinated with the Bartow County Sheriff's Office regarding the purchase of body armor for Officer Hightower.
- Reviewed program timelines with the Chief and Assistant Chief in preparation for the Citizen's Police Academy, scheduled to begin in September 2026.

School Resource Officers

East Ridge High School

Officer Valderaz

Vehicle # 88

Stats will be reported starting September 2026.

East Ridge Middle School

Officer Landrum

Vehicle # 87 - Mileage: 30,207

Calls for Service: 11

Call Assists: 4

Warrants Obtained: 2

Warrant Service: 0

Other Warrant: 0

Physical Arrests: 0

Misdemeanor Charges: 2

Felony Charges: 0

Offense Reports: 5

Crash Reports: 0

Traffic Stops: 0

Traffic Citations: 0

F.I.: 0

SIA: 0

East Ridge Elementary School

Corporal Chadwick

Vehicle # 03 - Mileage: 63,356

Calls for Service: 66

Call Assists: 0

Warrants Obtained: 0

Warrant Service: 0

Other Warrant: 0

Physical Arrests: 0

Misdemeanor Charges: 0

Felony Charges: 0

Offense Reports: 0

Crash Reports: 0

Traffic Stops: 0

Traffic Citations: 0

F.I.: 0

SIA: 248

Spring Creek Elementary School

Officer Chavez

Vehicle # 08 - Mileage: 45,522

Calls for Service: 0

Call Assists: 0

Warrants Obtained: 0

Warrant Service: 0

Other Warrant: 0

Physical Arrests: 0

Misdemeanor Charges: 0

Felony Charges: 0

Offense Reports: 2

Crash Reports: 0

Traffic Stops: 0

Traffic Citations: 0

F.I.: 0

SIA: 0

Reserve Officers

OFFICER HOURS:

<i>OFFICER</i>	<i>COURT HOURS</i>	<i>PATROL HOURS</i>
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 August 2026: 67.55



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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	17	0	6	3	5	0	20	50%
D. Romans	6	0	7	4	2	1	8	57%
W. Johnson	12	2	8	4	0	1	17	50%
J. Davis	17	0	7	3	0	0	21	43%
TOTAL:	52	2	28	14	7	2	66	50%

CID Total New Case Assignments	28
CID Total Cases Reassigned	0
CID Total Cases Cleared	14
CID Monthly Clearance Rate	50%

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:

New Cases Opened	2
Gang Contacts	1
Marijuana Seizures (grams)	16
Meth Seizures (grams)	57.7
Fentanyl Seizures (grams)	2
Misdemeanor Arrests	0
Felony Arrests	1
Search Warrants Executed	3

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:

Assists	4
Vehicle Sniffs	2
Traffic Stops	50
K9 Deployments	1
K9 Apprehensions	1
Misdemeanor Arrests	1
Felony Arrests	1
Meth (grams)	1.6
Marijuana (grams)	12
Fentanyl (grams)	2
Cocaine (grams)	17
Guns Recovered	2
Training Hours	2

K9 NOTE: Officer Hightower and his K9 partner Quest have continued to employ a proactive approach to detect and combat drug-related crime within the city.

CUMULATIVE WARRANTS DIVISION STATS:**Activity Summary**

New Warrants Received	31
Misdemeanor Warrants Served	15
Felony Warrants Served	15
Warrants Entered into NCIC	30
In-State Transports	0
Extradition Transports	4
Misdemeanor Fingerprints	4
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 ASSIGNMENTS:

<i>DRIVER</i>	<i>VEHICLE</i>	<i>MILEAGE</i>	<i>MAKE</i>	<i>MODEL</i>
VACANT	15	34,2470	Chevrolet	Colorado
G. Beck	29	156,518	GMC	Canyon
VACANT – K9	89	37,350	Ford	PIU
M. Alexander	5	13,334	Ford	Explorer
J. Goddard	7	13,452	Ford	Explorer
K. Kimsey	28	64,089	Ford	PIU
J. Daverson	6	50,860	Ford	PIU
S. Stojnic	4	11,210	Chevrolet	Colorado
D. Romans	25	30,304	Chevrolet	Colorado

J. Davis	41	24,638	Chevrolet	Colorado
W. Johnson	44	27,227	Chevrolet	Colorado
SPARE-LINE	54	81,284	Dodge	Journey



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City of East Ridge Police Department Patrol / Traffic Division Monthly Report

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	14	0	0	1	0	4	0	108	0	2	2	21	32	0	1
BURGESS	16	0	2	0	4	15	0	20	1	12	3	53	44	1	0
NEIGHBORS	17	0	7	5	6	15	0	112	0	18	1	51	35	6	9
MAHAFFEY	22	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	6	0	0	28	0	0	1
BAILEY	14	4	6	11	10	13	0	25	0	24	15	44	28	1	7
JOHNSON	10	0	6	10	5	14	0	49	10	30	47	40	25	0	1
ALLEN	13	2	7	8	0	15	0	34	2	20	15	61	9	2	1
DARWIN	11	0	1	0	1	11	3	29	0	31	37	28	12	0	0
KIRBY	14	0	3	4	2	9	0	33	1	30	35	30	35	0	0
BRISOLDEN	17	5	8	5	3	26	0	96	1	15	0	58	45	4	14
SMITH	16	0	0	0	0	2	0	53	0	3	2	7	32	0	0
RSESENDIZ	19	1	0	4	1	1	0	22	51	132	193	91	77	0	0
HUSKINS	18	13	4	16	26	6	2	102	1	34	24	70	44	0	0
BONANNO	12	0	3	0	0	5	0	5	0	58	12	44	17	0	6
JONES	12	3	3	3	0	8	1	17	0	27	8	35	12	3	1
CORNELIUS	15	3	2	2	1	10	0	46	0	26	27	66	43	0	1
PARTIN	15	1	2	4	0	3	0	40	8	29	14	38	39	0	0
MILLER	15	3	3	3	0	10	1	66	0	51	6	35	11	0	0
ALEXANDER	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	55	0	1	0	9	42	0	0
SZYDLOWSKI	13	0	2	0	0	6	0	17	1	14	4	49	14	0	3

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WILSON	12	0	2	4	0	3	0	39	8	76	80	42	50	0	0
BLACKBURN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COX	14	0	0	0	0	6	0	41	1	14	6	36	47	0	0
ESTERMYER	15	0	3	1	1	7	0	13	1	16	10	64	0	1	4
MILLER	15	0	9	13	3	6	0	11	1	42	7	43	60	1	7
LOWRANCE	17	0	3	2	0	4	1	21	2	14	4	60	51	1	2
LIVELY	16	0	0	4	10	3	0	59	0	3	0	12	64	2	11
TOTAL	387	35	76	100	73	223	8	1,113	95	722	552	1,115	868	22	69

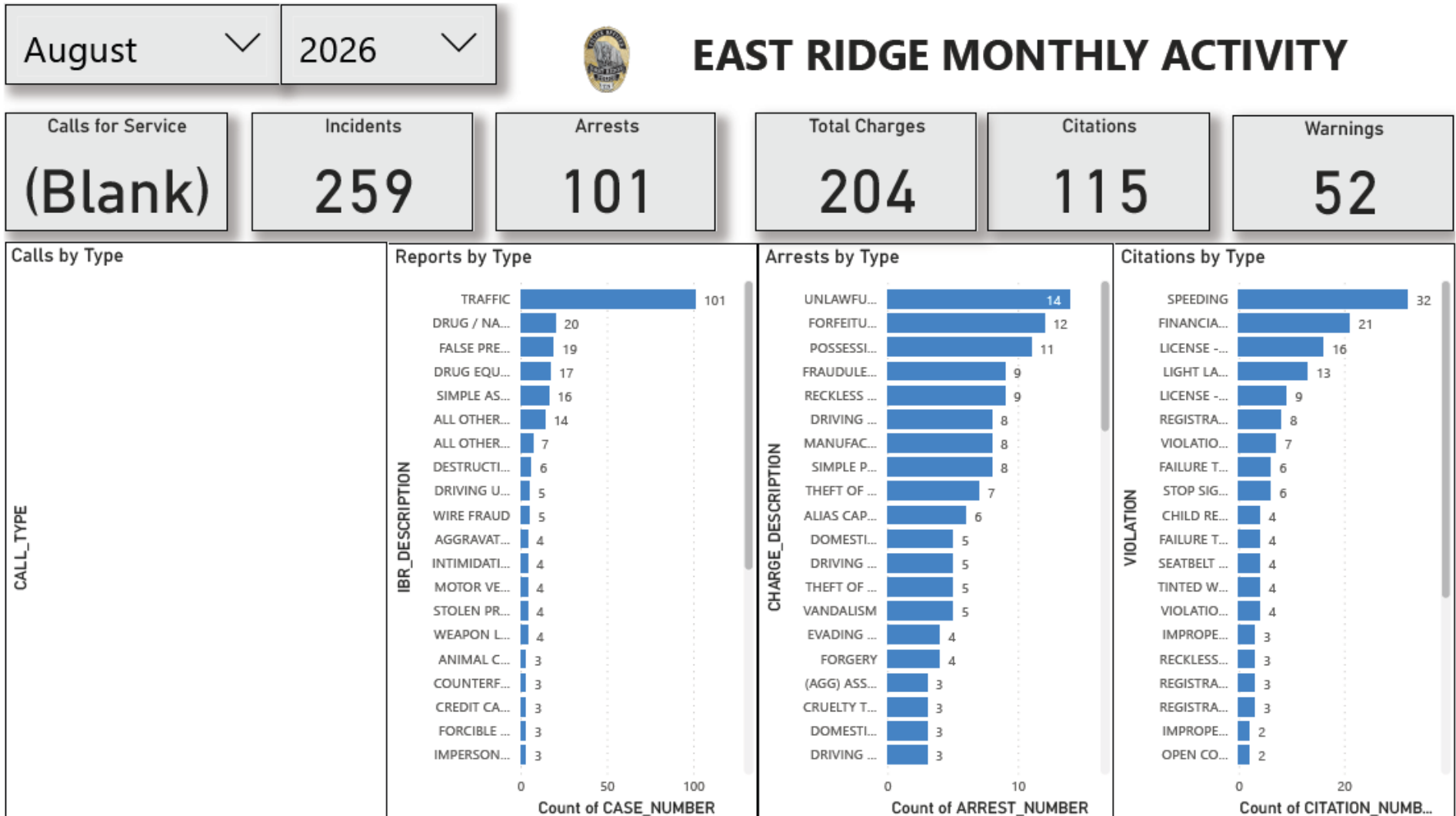


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August 2026 City of East Ridge Police Department Monthly Crime Report

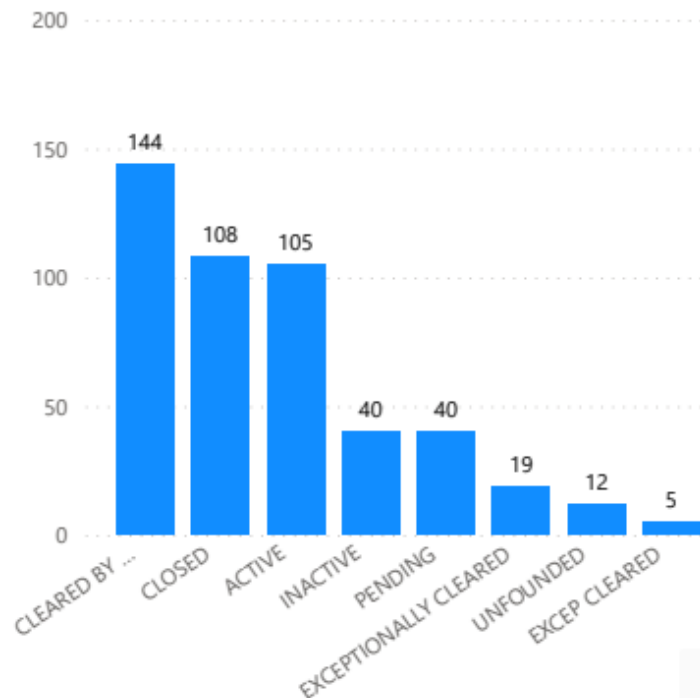
MAJOR CRIMES:

Weapon Law Violations	5
Theft of Motor Vehicle Parts or Accessories	1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	2
Motor Vehicle Theft	4
Robbery	1
Kidnapping/Abduction	3
Drug / Narcotic Violation	23
Driving Under Influence	5
Burglary	4
Aggravated Assault	4
Forcible Rape	3

ACTIVITY TOTALS:

Calls for Service	
Reports Written	259
Citations	115
Warnings	52

Case Status for this month's reports





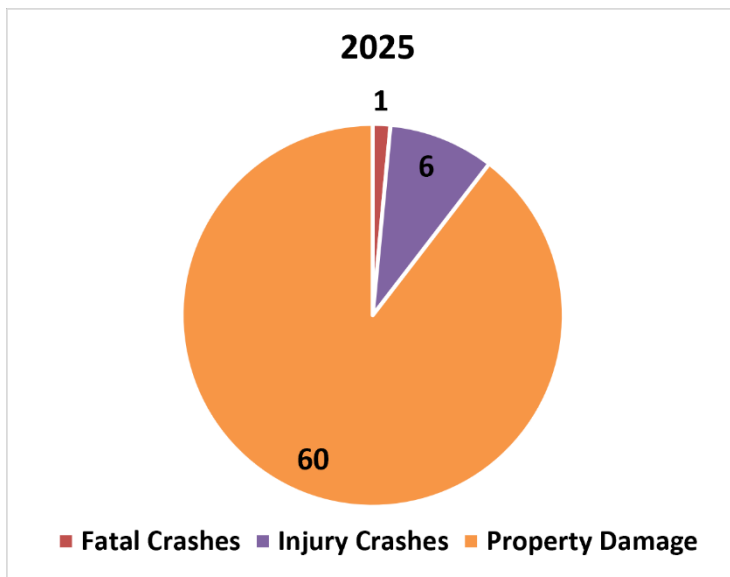
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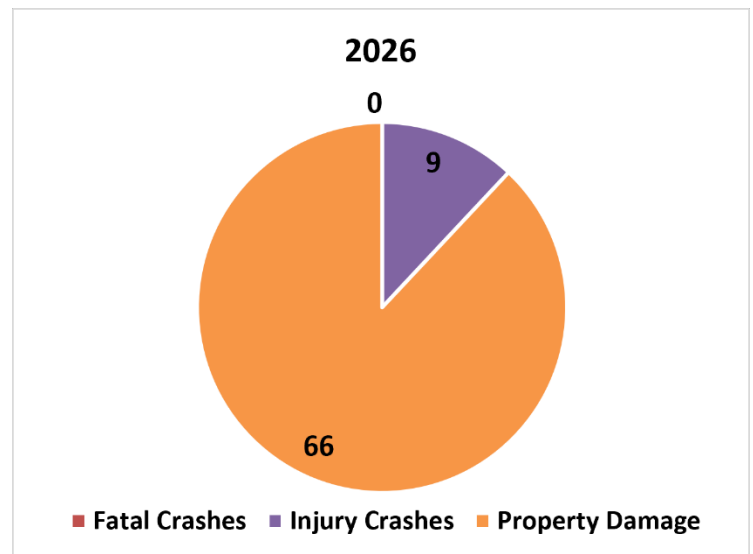
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Police Chief
Police Department

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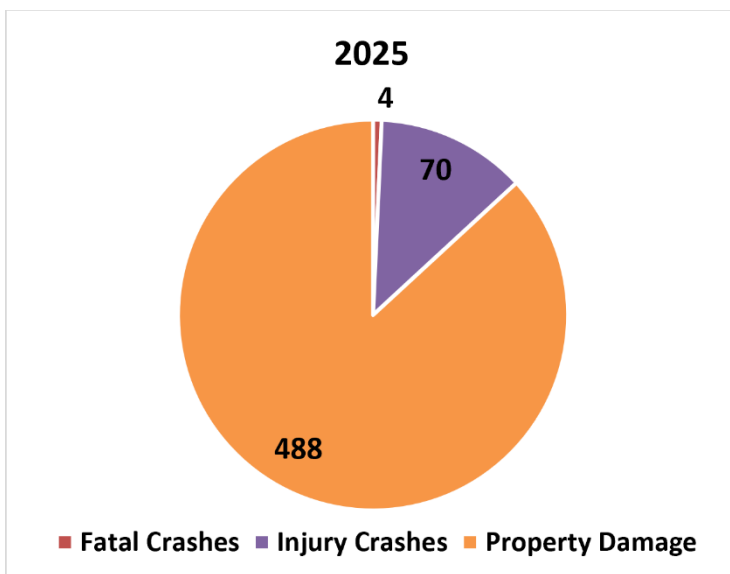
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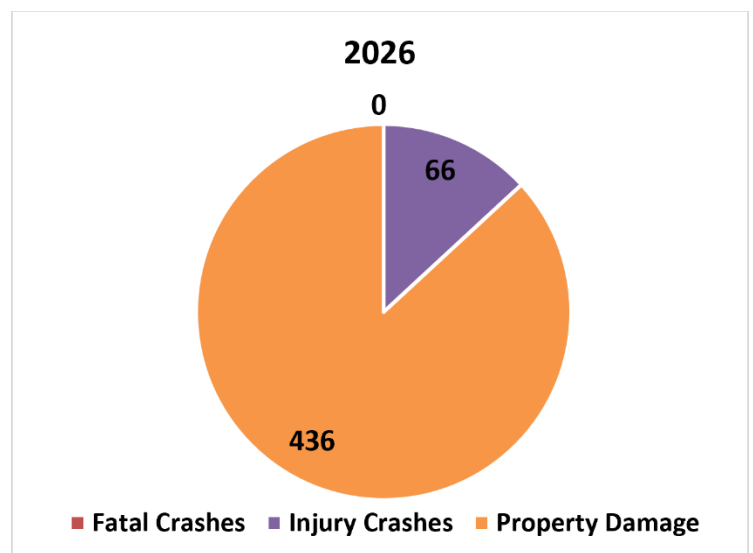
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Clint Uselton
Police Chief
Police Department

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Shelter Population	Cats: 56 housed, 30 in foster care Dogs: 44 housed, 12 in foster care
New Intakes	Cats: 49 Dogs: 39
Calls for Service	57 total calls for service 8 responses to injured / sick animals 6 deceased animals transported 12 running at large calls 4 police assists
Feral Cat Program	20 feral cat traps set 16 feral cats released back into the wild
Cat Statistics	32 adoptions 1 returned to owners 5 transferred out 0 transferred in 1 returned to shelter 5 euthanized 12 neonate kittens passed away in care
Dog Statistics	16 adoptions 10 returned to owners 1 transferred out 0 transferred in 5 returned to shelter 1 euthanized 0 neonate puppies passed away in care
Rabbit Statistics	1 taken into shelter 1 transferred to another shelter/rescue



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Mike Williams
Fire Chief
Fire Department

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Fire Operations

The Department responded to **210** calls for service in the month of **August 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 has been working on ISO preparations.
- Chief Williams has been working on purchasing and requisitions for equipment.
- 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, VEIS
2. Company: Forcible Entry, Ref. Essentials 7, Ch. 9
3. Rescue: Z-Rig / Tension Diagonal, Equipment Familiarization, Maintenance and Use
4. Company: Structural Search and Rescue, Ref. Essentials 7, Ch. 10
5. Driver Training: Pump Operations, Foam, Standpipe, FDC
6. Company: Tactical Ventilation, Ref. Essentials 7, Ch. 11
7. Company: Fire Hose, Ref. Essentials 7, Ch. 12
8. Company: Hose Operations and Hose Streams, Ref. Essentials 7, Ch. 13
9. EMS: Trauma Protocols, Ref. First Responder Protocol Manual, PROT-017 to PROT-024
10. Hazardous Materials: Site Management

Maintenance

- Conducted general maintenance on all apparatus, including fluid checks, bulb replacements, and other preventative maintenance items.
- Truck 2 – Oil change (\$48.00)
- Truck 3 – Oil change and tire rotation (\$78.00)
- Squad 2 – Throttle control assembly (\$1,968.17)
- Squad 2 – Intake sensor (\$2,133.33)

Special Projects

- Working with Human Resources on employee evaluations for fire department members.
- Jake Marshall is still addressing A/C repairs at Station 2.
- Battalion Chief Peters is working on turnout gear inventory and repairs.
- Several members attended the Swiftwater Technician course.
- Several members attended Live Fire training at Catoosa County Fire Training Center hosted by Foothill F.O.O.L.S.
- The Department assisted in serving dinner to the ERHS Football team for home games.
- The Department is currently providing medical standby at Camp Jordan during the Cross-Country events.

Incident Reports by Incident Type Series August 2026

TYPE OF INCIDENT	NUMBER
Outside Fire: Trash Rubbish	3
Structure Fire: Cooking / Appliance Fire	1
Structure Fire: Structural Involvement	2
Vehicle Fire / Commercial	1
Vehicle Fire / Passenger	2
Electrical Hazard / Short Circuit	1
Powerline Down	13
Odor Investigation	3
Smoke Investigation	4
Law Enforcement Support	2
Illness: Abdominal Pain	2
Illness: Allergic reactions	1
Illness: Altered Mental Status	1
Illness: Breathing Problems	5
Illness: Cardiac Arrest	3
Illness: Chest Pains	13
Illness: Convulsions / Seizures	5

Illness: Altered Mental Status	6
Illness: Breathing Problems	7
Illness: Cardiac Arrest	1
Illness: Chest Pains	6
Illness: Convulsions / Seizures	5
Illness: Diabetic	1
Illness: Heart Problems	4
Illness: Overdose / Poisoning	3
Illness: No Appropriate Choice	1
Illness: Pregnancy	1
Illness: Sick	8
Illness: Stroke	2
Illness: Unconscious	8
Illness: Unknown	4
Illness: Well Person Check	1
Injury / Trauma: Animal Bite	1
Injury / Trauma: Fall	8
Trauma / Lacerations	2
Heat Exposure	4
Motor Vehicle Crash w / Injuries	12
Trauma / other	2
Trauma / stabbing	1
Other: Standby Request	2
No Emergency: Canceled	7
False Alarm: Accidental Alarm	16
False Alarm: Malfunctioning Alarm	9
False Alarm: Other False Call	3
Good Intent Call: Investigate Hazard Release (Nothing Found)	1
Good Intent Call: No Incident Found	1
Fire or Smoke Alarm	12
Service Call	11
Lift Assist	20
Rescue: Extrication / Entrapped	1
Structure: Building Collapse	1
Elevator emergency	1
Structure: Extrication / Entrapped	1
Total Alarms for August 2026	210

Fire Property Loss	\$60,000
Fire Property Saved	\$2,274,100
Civilian Deaths	0
Civilian Injury	1
Firefighter Injuries	0
Firefighter Deaths	0

MUTUAL AID REPORT

Mutual Aid Received	3
Mutual Aid Given	3
TOTAL MUTUAL AID CALLS:	6

CALLS TO THE CITY OF RIDGESIDE

Emergency Medical Calls	0
Fire Related Calls	0
Other	0
TOTAL CITY OF RIDGESIDE CALLS:	0

FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE

Annual Inspections	72
New Inspections	9
Plan Reviews	4
Public Education Events	2
Special Projects or Meetings attended	3

OPEN RECORDS REQUESTS

NFIRS Report(s) Requested	3
Other (Fire Marshal's Office)	3



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Ray Gmuer
Supervisor
Building Maintenance

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City Hall

- Dug out the area for the dumpster pad and started adding crush and run in preparation for the concrete.
- Cleared the fence off of all debris behind the dumpster pad.
- Assembled a desk for the Purchasing Agent.
- Converted all the light poles to LED and painted them black.
- Converted all the can lights to LED.
- Hung two file holders for the Building Codes Department.
- Temporarily covered janitorial duties.
- Moved and replaced a desk in the Building and Codes Department.
- Replaced all the pillar lights inside the lobby.
- Trimmed the bushes around the front of City Hall.

Court

- Converted the court lobby door to a keyless entry.
- Repaired the broken desk drawer by the service window.

Library

- Made watering pipes for the garden planters.

Police Department

- Picked up the totes of body armor for the Council Chamber's project.
- Volunteer Rid-A-Pest sprayed for roaches.

Fire Department

- Action Air finished installing the exhaust fan and re-wrapping the duct work.
- Replaced two outlets in the bay of Station 2.
- Repaired the water heater at Station 2. Recommend future replacement.
- Found the loose ground wire to the dryer at Station 2 and repaired.
- Continued working with Jake Marshall on the AC issues at Station 2.

Community Center

- Created space in the storage shed at the Building Maintenance facility for left over building materials.
 - Replaced the water heater.
 - Moved all the hoses timers to the newly laid sod
 - Painted the window frames of the upper roof.
-

Venue 1921 at East Ridge

- Jake Marshall Services extracted the filter that was sucked into the HVAC unit.
 - Met with Trevor from Associated Mechanical to resolve the issues with the AC.
-

Animal Shelter

- Performed bi-weekly mowing and weed eating.
 - Repaired the hose reel inside the sanitary room.
 - Re-hung the tarps in the play yard.
 - Fabricated three kennel toppers.
 - Adjusted the hinges on the public bathroom.
-

Sanitation Department

- Replaced the filter in the ice maker.
-

Street Department

- Jake Marhsall Services serviced the HVAC unit because the AC was not working properly.
-

Building Maintenance Department

- Performed bi-weekly mowing and weed eating.
- Installed truck lights on Truck 86.
- Picked up a pallet of water from Sam's club.
- Building Maintenance employees completed online training videos.
- Vacuumed and cleaned offices bi-weekly.
- Washed Truck 111.
- Performed a complete service on the air compressor.



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Robert Parker
Supervisor
Solid Waste Department

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SOLID WASTE REPORT:

Solid Waste Collected	631.12 tons
Recycled Materials Collected	44.94 tons
Dumpster Junk	59.40 tons
Dumpster Rentals	5
Brush Collected	64 loads
Metal Collected	2 tons
Cart Repairs / Replacement (lids / cans)	46
New / Extra Garbage Cans	9
New Recycle Cans	12



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Chris Vaughn
Supervisor
Street Department

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WORK ORDERS:

<i>TYPE</i>	<i>PRODUCED</i>	<i>NOTES</i>
Drain Patrol	28 Locations	Checked and cleaned
Ditch Cleaning	3 Locations	Cleaned out with back-hoe
Jettied Out Pipes	2 Locations	Water jet trailer
Street Sweeper	21 Locations	Various streets swept
Asphalt Repairs	11 Locations	Bags of asphalt put out
Litter Collection	13 Locations	Trash picked up
Mowing & Trimming:		
Boom Mower	24 Locations	
City Right-of-Ways	21 Locations	
Exit 1	2 Locations	
Code Enforcement	11 Yards	
Miscellaneous	48 Locations	Various work completed



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Jeff Crowe
Supervisor
Traffic Control

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WORK ORDERS:

<i>TYPE</i>	<i>QUANTITY</i>
New Signage	43
Signs Installed	32
Sign Maintenance	96
Shop Tasks	21
Miscellaneous	41
Signal Repairs	4
Banners	7
Traffic Studies	3
Resident Requests	3
Street Light Requests	3
ER Police Department Requests	1
ER Fire Department Requests	0
Street Department Requests	0
Sanitation Department Requests	0
Building Maintenance Requests	1
Camp Jordan Park Requests	4
Venue 1921 at East Ridge	0

NOTES:

- Installed American flags along Ringgold Road



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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	68
Building Inspections	Building, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, Energy	156
Re-inspections	Trades that have failed the first inspection	1
Street Cut Permits	WWTA, Chattanooga Gas & TAW street cut permits	7
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	2 Hours
Property Maintenance Liens	Unpaid property maintenance issues, including grass cutting, demo of unsafe structures, etc.	9
Housing Board	Cases involving repair or demolition of the structure	7 Cases

Activity	Scope of Activity	Monthly Total
Board of Zoning Appeals	Cases involving zoning ordinances	2 Cases
Planning Commission	Rezoning, subdivision regulations, and plat signing	0 Cases
Plan Reviews	In-house plan reviews, Commercial/Residential — Plat Reviews	15
Unsafe Structure Abatement	Demolition of an unsafe structure	0
Code Violations	Open Storage, Disabled Vehicles, Trash & Debris, and other property maintenance violations	244
	Open Storage	103
	Disabled Vehicles	26
	Trash & Debris	8
	Post for Cleanups	69
	Other (Premise ID, Fence, Soffits, Fascia Boards, Gutters, Windows, etc.)	38
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

BUILDING AND TRADES PERMITS ISSUED CITYWIDE

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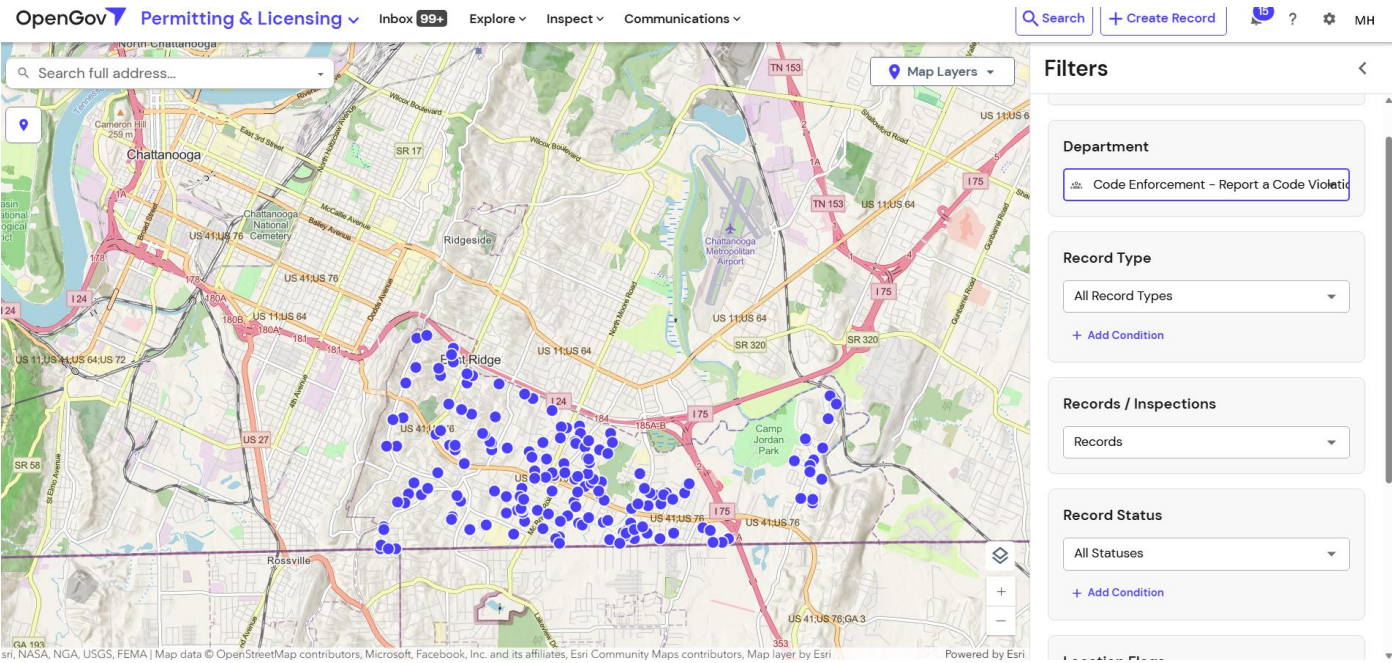
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Record Type

- Building Permit - Request Inspections Fr...
- OR Electrical Permit
- OR Gas Permit - Request Inspections F...
- OR Mechanical Permit - Request Inspe...
- OR Plumbing Permit - Request Inspect...
- OR Power Out For Over A Year
- OR Sign Permit - Request Inspections ...
- OR Tree Cutting Permit
- OR Yard Sale Permit

+ Add Condition

CODE ENFORCEMENT CITATIONS ISSUED CITYWIDE





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Shawwna Skiles
Director
Parks and Recreation

August 2026 City of East Ridge Parks and Recreation Department Monthly Report

August was a highly productive month for the East Ridge Parks & Recreation Department, highlighted by the successful reopening of the East Ridge Community Center, the preparation and launch of fall recreational programming, and the continued operation of Camp Jordan as a premier regional destination for sports, entertainment, and community events.

Staff remained focused on delivering quality recreational opportunities while managing the daily operations of parks, athletic facilities, and special events. Recreation soccer practices began for the fall season, teams were formed for flag football, cheerleading, baseball, softball, and tee-ball, and staff continued coordination with partner organizations regarding field usage and facility scheduling. Recruitment efforts also continued with interviews conducted for groundskeeper positions, Community Center staff, and the fitness instructor role.

Camp Jordan hosted numerous successful events throughout the month, including Farley Con, Needy Child Fund activities, Chattanooga Roller Derby, RK Shows, multiple softball and soccer tournaments, grass volleyball competitions, and the Bodie Road Race. These events brought thousands of visitors to East Ridge, generated significant economic activity, and showcased the City's facilities to participants and spectators from across the region. Staff provided extensive support through scheduling, field preparation, facility maintenance, custodial services, vendor coordination, and customer service.

Significant progress was also made at the East Ridge Community Center. The department welcomed city programs, community partners, and local organizations back into the building following renovations and improvements. Staff successfully prepared for and hosted the Community Center Grand Re-Opening on August 22, completed numerous cosmetic and organizational enhancements, coordinated professional photography for promotional materials, unveiled a new mural in the Lomenick Community Room, and expanded community partnerships through educational programs, technology classes, and future projects such as the Pioneer Park Food Forest initiative.

Maintenance crews continued to address facility and equipment needs throughout the month, completing repairs to mowing equipment, shop tools, restrooms, and cleaning equipment to ensure operations remained efficient and facilities remained in excellent condition. Staff also oversaw the annual park sand bidding process and participated in ongoing Springvale project planning and management meetings.

The department continued promoting programs, facilities, and upcoming events through website improvements, social media outreach, and digital communications. Preparations also remained underway for the East Ridge Fall Festival, one of the City's largest annual community events.

ADMINISTRATIVE & DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS:

- Continued coordination and oversight of recreational sports leagues and seasonal programming.
- Recreation Soccer practice has started for August.
- Managed ballfield and soccer field use agreements with partner organizations.
- Conducted planning meetings with prospective event organizers and Fall Festival stakeholders.

- Interviewed for open Groundskeeper jobs.
- Initiated interviews for Community Center staff positions in preparation for reopening.
- Formed Flag, cheer, baseball, tee-ball and softball team.
- Administered the annual park sand bidding process.
- Participated in Springvale project meetings, including plan review and project management discussions.
- Promoted parks, programs, and special events through social media and digital communication channels.

CAMP JORDAN ARENA & PARK EVENTS:

The department hosted and supported several large-scale events during the month, including:

- Farley Con
- Needy Child Fund
- Chattanooga Roller Derby
- RK Shows

These events required extensive scheduling, facility preparation, custodial services, operational support, vendor accommodations, and customer service while generating significant attendance and regional exposure for Camp Jordan and the City of East Ridge.

TOURNAMENTS & ATHLETIC EVENTS:

The following athletic tournaments and competitions were hosted during the month:

- Red Wolves Soccer Tournament
- Southern Softball Association Tournament
- Connect Softball Tournament
- NoogaBass Volleyball – Grass Volleyball
- Bodie Race Run

These events generated regional visitation and economic activity while maximizing use of City athletic facilities. Staff provided field preparation, facility maintenance, event support, scheduling coordination, and customer service throughout each tournament.

PARK IMPROVEMENT UPDATES:

- Fixed weed eaters
- Fixed Soccer Ferris Mower 1 that was not holding a charge
- Order a new air intake part for the Arena Mower
- Replaced the fitting on an air hose
- Fixed a button on the floor scrubber
- Fixed a leaky sink faucet in the men's restroom

COMMUNITY CENTER PROGRESS & PROGRAMMING:

- Welcomed all city programs back to the building on August 1, 2026.
- Management attended AOA training in New Mexico August 3-6, 2026.

- Hosted Hamilton County Election Commission on August 6, 2026.
- Welcomed back all community groups and partnership programs to the Community Center.
- Hover Photography took professional photos to be used to update the website and promotional materials.
- Olivia Reckert painted a wall mural in the Lomenick Community Room.
- Prepared for and hosted the Grand Re-Opening of the Community Center on August 22, 2026.
- Completed a myriad of cosmetic and organizational improvements in preparation for the grand opening.
- Parks & Recreation staff made significant improvements to the surrounding agriculture such as laying sod, mulching gardens and more.
- Begun working with community partners to develop a food forest at the pioneer park.
- Hosted Chattanooga Prep for their back-to-school family meetings.
- Hosted Chattanooga 2.0 for AOA lectures given by UCLA.
- Begun our first Tech Goes Home class.
- Sent a contingent job offer for the fitness instructor role.
- Updated the Parks & Recreation website to accurately reflect improvements.
- Created new programs calendar for the center to better reflect all programming, not just weekday morning programs.
- Continued preparation for the East Ridge Fall Festival.
- Members:
 - Basketball Open Gym – 26
 - Pickleball Open Gym – 23
 - Senior Fit – 125
 - Functional Fit – 3
 - Line Dancing – 3

It is important to note that staff are working on redistributing "memberships" to the appropriate activity since reopening. Previously all functional fitness, line dancing and pickleball were categorized as Senior Fi.

MONTHLY SUMMARY:

August was a productive month marked by significant progress toward reopening the Community Center, preparation for fall athletic programming, and continued investment in park and facility improvements. Camp Jordan continued to serve as a premier regional destination by hosting major expos, tournaments, entertainment events, and community gatherings that increased visitation, enhanced community engagement, and contributed to local economic activity. Staff remained focused on maintaining high-quality recreational facilities and services while advancing projects that support the City's long-term parks and recreation goals.



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Tara Viland
Venue Manager
Venue 1921 at East Ridge

August 2026 Venue 1921 at East Ridge Monthly Report

OVERVIEW:

Venue 1921 is continuing to transition from a newly opened facility into an established City asset with a growing client base, community presence, and forward booking pipeline.

The focus moving forward is not simply on filling dates, but on building sustainable utilization, creating repeat business, developing meaningful community programming, and demonstrating the venue's broader value to East Ridge.

PARTNERSHIPS & PROGRAMMING:

We continue to provide English and Spanish support for clients and community members.

We are also continuing to build relationships with local businesses and vendors, especially as we plan upcoming public events and look for more ways to connect Venue 1921 with the East Ridge community.

OPERATIONS & BOOKINGS:

August focused on continuing to build the booking calendar and developing new event opportunities.

- Prom and school events
- Nonprofit events
- Private celebrations
- Public and ticketed events
- New event concepts and repeat bookings

We are also continuing to reach organizers outside of the traditional wedding and private-event market to help increase year-round use of the venue.

MARKETING & DATA DEVELOPMENT:

August marketing efforts focused on getting Venue 1921 in front of more local businesses, vendors, and potential clients.

- Local business and vendor outreach
- Marketing materials for community event
- Networking with local event professionals
- Outreach for upcoming holiday bookings

The goal is to continue building awareness of Venue 1921 and bringing more people into the venue.



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Patty Weaver
Head Librarian
Library Department

FY26/27 Library Services Statistics as of August 31, 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											6,356
CIRCULATION E-BOOKS	312	361											673
COMPUTER USERS	206	221											427
NEW CARDS ISSUED	39	90											129
PROGRAMS / ATTENDANCE	38 / 576	18 / 138											56 / 714
DOCUMENTS NOTORIZED	13	10											23
PAGES FAXED	21	64											85
PAGES SCANNED	26	204											230
COPIES MADE	2,574	4,201											6,775
ITEMS CATALOGUED	91	106											197
ITEMS DELETED	66	123											189

90 new cards issued (59 Adult/31 Juvenile)
1 Game Night - 19 participants
4 Knitting Club - 18 participants

1 Adult Bingo – 6 participants
4 Baby Story Time – 38 participants
1 Adult Gardening Club - 4 participants

1 Adult Book Club - 11 participants
6 Diamond Art Club - 42 participants

As is tradition in August, the library took a break from most programming to give staff a chance to recharge after a hectic summer reading schedule and have an opportunity to prepare and plan future programs. We also focused on community outreach by attending Back to School nights at Spring Creek and East Ridge Elementary and Open House at the Blessing Place preschool.