

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Dec. 30, 2019

Upcoming

- **Christmas Tree Disposal Options: Local Boy Scout Troop #124 will collect real trees (free of decorations/hooks, etc.) from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 4 at Recreation Park for a fee of \$5 each.** The branches will be mulched for use in Raymore parks and the trunks will be used for firewood in cold weather campouts. Proceeds benefit Boy Scout Troop #124. For more information or to schedule a tree pickup for a fee of \$10, contact Renee at 913-645-5427.

Constable Sanitation will also collect real Christmas trees with yard waste on normal pickup days. Trees should not have decorations and do not need to be trimmed down unless they are longer than 10 feet or would be difficult for one person to handle.

- **Candidate filings for City Council are open** for the April 7, 2020, Municipal Election.

Filing will close Tuesday Jan. 21.

Declaration of candidacy can be made from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 100 Municipal Circle. A random number drawing process will be used to determine the placement of candidate names on the April 7, 2020 ballot throughout the filing period. Placement will be on an ascending order. A \$20 filing fee is required. One seat is open in each of the four wards. Terms are two-year terms. To learn more, visit www.Raymore.com/CityClerk.



Candidate filings to date are (in order of placement on the ballot):

- Council Ward 1 Reginald Townsend
- Council Ward 2 Jim Petermann, William M. Manson, Thomas Circo
- Council Ward 3 Jay Holman
- Council Ward 4 Sonja Abdelgawad

Administration

- Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey met with staff from Midwest Public Risk to discuss new programs and policies to improve employee safety in 2020.

Development Services

- Building Official Jon Woerner completed an initial inspection of the building located at 100 S. Madison and approved it for occupancy.
- Building Official Jon Woerner began inspections of the infrastructure work being completed as part of the Lofts at Foxridge apartment community.
- Economic Development Director David Gress met with potential candidates for members of the TIF Commission.

Parks & Recreation

- Athletic Coordinator Todd Brennon hosted a scheduling meeting for the South Metro Competitive Basketball League. Games begin the week of January 13th.
- The RAC was open to all recreation basketball teams this week for holiday practices while the school facilities were closed.
- The NEW playground equipment for the Recreation Park Playground replacement project arrived this week. Construction to replace the current playground begins next Monday.
- Maintenance staff mulched over 120 Christmas trees donated from Lowes for park projects. Lowes donated 150 trees left over from stores in the metro area. The remaining trees will be given to Local Scout Troop 124 who is collecting live Christmas tree to recycle on Saturday, Jan. 4 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Recreation Park for a \$5 donation.
- Work progresses at T.B. Hanna Station. Contractors will begin pouring footings for the new concession stand and pump house next week.

Police

- The Police Department command staff met with Police Officer candidate Parker Pruett who will begin his employment with Raymore on Jan. 6.
- Emergency Management Director Ryan Murdock completed his CJIS recertification.
- Integrated Technology Systems Director Jim Mayberry met with Allegiant to finalize network and phone installation for the command vehicle.
- Capt. Jim Wilson met with a member of the Cass County Prosecutor's Office and a local business owner regarding the sale of hemp products.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman met with the Crime Commission President and Vice President regarding donations and the addition of Buchanan County to the SAFE Program.
- The Animal Shelter received a generous donation of pet food, left at the Police Department by an anonymous donor.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart was named the Terminal Agency Coordinator with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Public Works

- Work continues on the I & I abatement project and Owen Good Forcemain Replacement projects.
- As weather permitted, Operations staff performed street repairs and other routine maintenance.