

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of July 6, 2020

Upcoming

- **Hot off the press!** The summer issue of *The Review* should be arriving in your Raymore mailbox any day now. Read *The Review* for the latest on City news and upcoming events. Can't wait for the mail? Read it [online](#).
- **Raymore Royals Blood Drive, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday, July 29, at Centerview, 227 Municipal Circle.** Give the gift of life with a blood donation and then redeem a gift for yourself online with the choice of a Royals T-shirt or rally towel. Make an appointment [online](#).



- **Mother-Daughter Painting Class, 2-4 p.m., Sunday, July 19 at Centerview.** Paint deliciously delectable donuts at this two-hour class for all ages. An instructor will guide mothers and daughters of all skill levels through the process to create a fun piece or art you can bring home. The fee is \$35 per family. Register [online](#) or by phone at 816-322-2791 by July 15.
- **Raymore Farmers Market, 4-7 p.m., Tuesdays through September, Municipal Circle behind City Hall.** Shop from local farmers, bakers, crafters and artisans every Tuesday through September. For more information or to become a market vendor, visit



raymore.com/farmersmarket or call 816-322-2791.

- **No Tax Increase General Obligation Bond Issues, Aug. 4.** Raymore voters will have the opportunity to vote for two separate No Tax Increase G.O. Bond Issues at the polls on Aug. 4. If approved, these measures will bring more than \$23.5 million in improvements to Raymore's streets and parks without increasing the current property tax levy. Question 1 proposes more than \$17.5 million in improvements for streets, including a total reconstruction of Ward Road and Kurzweil Road, extensions of Johnston Drive, Sunset Lane and 163rd Street,, I-49 widening from 155th Street to North Cass Parkway and street lights in two Raymore neighborhoods. Question 2 proposes \$5.9 million in improvements to the Raymore park system. Learn more about each proposed project and see a map of project locations at raymore.com/bondprojects.

Administration

- The City of Raymore, with the Raymore Chamber of Commerce and South Metro Fire Stations 1 and 3, wrapped up a donation drive for the Raymore-Peculiar Public School Foundation's Caring About Nutrition (C.A.N.) Program. Thank you to everyone who donated food, socks, underwear, toiletries and school supplies for area students in need! Visit the [program's website](#) to learn more about the program or make a secure donation online.

Communications

- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer met with Raymore Arts Commission Chair Loren Jones to discuss agenda items for the July 14 meeting.

Court

- Court Administrator Donna Furr participated in a full day of training with the Western Association of Court Administrators organization on July 10 at Centerview.

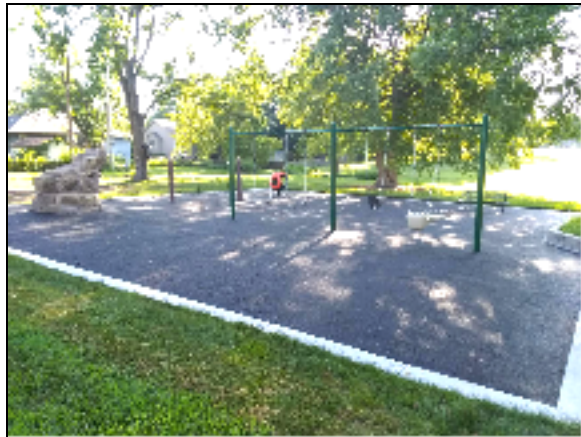
Development Services

- GIS Coordinator Heather Eisenbarth created a [GO Bond storymap](#) that provides an overview and illustrates the location of the projects included in the No Tax Increase General Obligation Bond Issues to be decided by the voters on Tuesday, Aug. 4.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission, as part of the [annual review](#) of the Unified Development Code, directed staff to prepare the 32nd amendment to the UDC incorporating the code language changes proposed by staff. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider the amendment at a public hearing on Sept. 15.
- 17 residents attended the Good Neighbor meeting for the [Park Side](#) Subdivision, a 325 lot single-family residential development proposed for 155 acres located south of 163rd Street and west of North Madison Street. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider the application on Aug. 18.
- A Good Neighbor meeting for the proposed expansion of the [Oak Ridge Farms](#) subdivision will be held on Wednesday, July 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. 23 single-family units and 68 two-family units are proposed.

Parks & Recreation

- The Parks and Recreation Department hosted the first night of the Raymore Farmers Market. The market will be open from 4- 7 p.m. every Tuesday on Municipal Circle. Parking will be available in the open grass lot and more accessible parking for people with disabilities will be available at Centerview.

- The Parks and Recreation Board met in special session on Monday night to discuss parkland dedication in the Brookside Subdivision.
- This week's theme at the Raymore Summer Camp was "Outdoorsman Week." Campers fished Johnston Lake at Hawk Ridge Park, roasted marshmallows at the fire pit in Moon Valley Park, played at the Fort and practiced first aid by making tourniquets for fake injuries. This year's group of campers are very good at fake screams from fake injuries for their fake tourniquets!
- The first Grand Slam Tournament of the season will be held at Recreation Park. The tournament will be Friday through Sunday with around 30 teams participating.
- Summer Adult Softball League begins at Recreation Park on Sunday, July 12. The RAC will be reserved by volleyball clubs to hold tryouts from July 9-15.
- The final Tiny Tee Ball reschedule will be held this Saturday, July 11.
- The Memorial Park playground at The Arboretum is now open. The new poured in place surface was a grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources utilizing recycled materials from tires. [Learn more about the park in *The Review*.](#)



Police

- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad participated in the Mid America Crisis Intervention Team governing board meeting.
- Captain Wilson met with Charlotte Bradford with Project Linus. Volunteers with the organization make blankets and afghans to provide a sense of security and comfort for children who are traumatized, seriously ill or otherwise in need of the gift of a new blanket. Officer Sanchez and Captain Wilson received blankets for patrol cars.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Metro Chiefs and Sheriffs conference call to discuss current topics affecting local agencies.
- Emergency Management Director Ryan Murdock participated in an EMPG webinar regarding changes related to COVID and an extended reporting period.
- All sworn members continued with online training in important topics such as Anti-Bias Training for Law Enforcement; Child Abuse and Neglect; Community Policing; Hate Crimes Training for Law Enforcement, Arrest,



Search and Seizure (4th Amendment) and Officer Wellness & Mental Health Awareness.

- Capt. Roger Mayberry, IT Director Jim Mayberry and Animal Control Officers Jamie Hasenyager and Bailey Romi met with representatives from RL Phillips regarding the shelter expansion project.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman was honored to provide a presentation to the Council and members of the community regarding police policies, procedures and practices.

Public Works

- **Public Works Operations & Maintenance Division** completed the following:
 - 8 Water Taps
 - 8 Water Inspections
 - 139 Line Locates
 - 25 City Hall Work Orders
 - 2 Driveway Approach Inspections for new construction
 - 3 Sidewalk Inspections
 - 4 Final ROW Inspection
 - 19 Service Requests Completed
 - 27 Potholes Patched
 - 22 Fire Hydrants Flushed
 - 36 Feet of Sidewalk Mudjacked
 - 1 Meter Conversion
 - Mowed utility stations
 - Mowed 58 Hwy
 - Swept the streets after 4th of July
 - Patched curbs city wide
 - Activated new water meter radios
 - Pulled bi-monthly water samples
 - Repaired a damaged fire hydrant on Johnston Pkwy
 - Fixed the transducers at Kentucky Pump Station and Owen Good Lift Station
 - Repaired signs throughout the City
 - Repaired the water meter for the skate park drinking fountain
 - Tore out 24ft of curb, excavated, rocked, and formed for a driveway approach on Broadmoor for the Farmers Market parking lot
 - Weed-ate the guardrails on S. Madison St.
 - Dug out and added rock to the street on N. Crest so both lanes could be opened back up after the water break.
- **Public Works Engineering** projects for the week include:
 - Hosted a pre-bid meeting for Willowwind Sanitary Sewer Extension.
 - Work has started on the Van Trust property at Dean Avenue and North Cass Parkway.
 - Work continues on Eastbrook at Creekmoor.

- The contractor started installing storm sewer on Westgate Drive.