

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of July 5, 2021

Upcoming

- **Raymore Farmers Market, 4-7 p.m. every Tuesday through September on Municipal Circle behind City Hall.** Shop for produce, fresh eggs, local honey, gorgeous floral bouquets, handmade home decor, jewelry, arts and more from local farmers and artisans at the market every Tuesday!
- **Summer Concert: Brad Allen Jazz Trio, 7-9 p.m., Thursday, July 15 at the Hawk Ridge Park amphitheater, 701 Johnston Pkwy.** Bring a chair or blanket and your own refreshments and enjoy an evening of jazz brought to you by the Raymore Arts Commission. In case of inclement weather, check the City's website at www.raymore.com/Arts or follow [Raymore Arts Commission](#) on Facebook for updates.
- **Hawk's Nest Inclusive Playground Fundraiser Concert, 7 p.m., Saturday, July 31 at Hawk Ridge Park amphitheater, 701 Johnston Pkwy.** Southland Conservatory of Music is teaming up with the City of Raymore for a concert to benefit the Hawk's Nest Inclusive Playground! Learn more about the event on our [website](#).
- **Make a donation to the Raymore Community Foundation for a chance to win a free rental at T.B. Hanna Station!** We're getting closer to our goal, with \$567,000 raised out of \$850,000 to make the Hawk's Nest inclusive playground a reality in Raymore. The custom-built, fully accessible playground will allow children of all abilities the opportunity to play side by side with peers



 
Southland Conservatory of Music & City of Raymore present

HAWK'S NEST

inclusive playground

benefit concert

JULY 31 - 7 PM - HAWK RIDGE PARK
701 Johnston Pkwy, Raymore, MO

BRYAN JOBI BAND
SOUTHLAND CONSERVATORY OF
MUSIC STUDENTS & TEACHERS
**MY BROTHERS
& SISTERS**

www.Raymore.com/HawksNest

and caretakers. You can help by visiting www.Raymore.com/HawksNest to learn more about the project and make a secure online donation of at least \$10 by 11:59 p.m., Monday, July 12. Donations are tax-deductible through the Raymore Community Foundation. We'll pick a winner on Tuesday, July 13, who will choose either a free private ice skating rental at The Rink during the winter for up to 20 people or a free all-day rental of The Depot shelter with access to the Variety KC Inclusive Playground and Variety KC Inclusive Sprayground (seasonal). [Learn more and donate.](#)

Administration

- City Manager Jim Feuerborn and members of the Management Team met with Council Member-elect Victoria Wills-Scherzer to discuss ongoing projects and initiatives in the City. Wills-Scherzer will be officially sworn in at the regular Council meeting on July 12.
- Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey was appointed to the Spring Conference Planning and Nominations committees for the Missouri City Managers Association.
- Assistant City Manager Mike Ekey met with Midwest Public Risk CEO Mike Sindel and Communications Manager Matt Farlin to discuss new member engagement strategies for the government risk pool and insurance organization.

Communications

- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer met with Arts Commission Chair Loren Jones to discuss the August meeting agenda.
- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer coordinated Hawk's Nest benefit concert event details with Bill Johnson, owner of Southland Conservatory of Music, and Jim Thayne, Raymore resident and member of the 501st Legion 70th Explorers Garrison, a volunteer organization whose members dress up in professional attire as villains from the Star Wars Universe and make appearances at charity-based and fundraising events.
- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer confirmed 30 Summer Scene artisan vendors for the arts and music festival on Saturday, July 24 at T.B. Hanna Station. Learn more at www.raymore.com/SummerScene.

Development Services

- A Certificate of Occupancy (for the building shell) was issued for [Heartland Dental](#) in the Raymore Market Center. A tenant finish permit has been issued for work to commence on the interior of the building.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission met Tuesday and recommended approval of the Replat of Tract V and W in the Brookside 10th subdivision; recommended approval of the rezoning for the proposed [Watermark Apartment](#) Community on Dean Avenue; and approved the site plan amendment for [Culver's](#) to add a 2nd

drive-thru menu order board and the site plan for the administrative building for [South Metropolitan Fire Protection District](#) at 315 Conway Street.

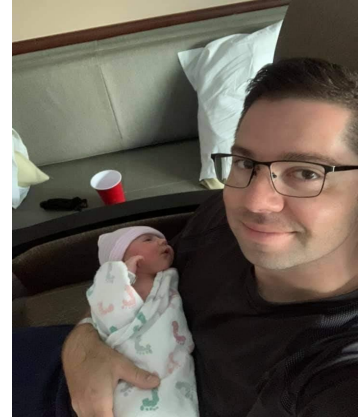
- The public hearing to be held by the City Council for the rezoning of 21 acres on the east side of Dean Avenue, south of OfficeMax and Sam's Club for the proposed Watermark Apartments has been rescheduled for August 9.
- Economic Development Director David Gress toured the City with representatives from the Raymore-Peculiar School District to provide updates on ongoing development projects.
- Economic Development Director David Gress attended the Monthly Morning Coffee hosted by the Raymore Chamber of Commerce and [About-You-Nutrition](#)

Parks & Recreation

- Thirteen teams registered for the upcoming summer adult softball that begins on Sunday, July 11.
- Athletic Coordinator Todd Brennon began documenting calorie content for items that are sold at the concession stands as part of the Eat Healthy in the Parks grant.
- Parks and Recreation staff, members of Raymore PD and South Metro Fire attended an event wrap up meeting on the Spirit of America Celebration.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen, Public Works Director Mike Krass and Development Services Director Jim Cadoret met to discuss a city wide trails master plan.
- Recreation Superintendent Jimmy Gibbs, Communications Manager Melissa Harmer and Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen met for planning the [Hawk's Nest Inclusive Playground Benefit Concert](#) at the amphitheater at Hawk Ridge Park on July 31.
- Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Recreation Superintendent Jimmy Gibbs worked with Rain Drop to coordinate repairs to sprayground equipment.
- Centerview hosted in-house trainings for local housing developments
- Raymore Summer Camp welcomed over 100 campers this week. Campers worked on their creativity and business skills as the theme was Entrepreneurship Week.

Police

- The Police Department welcomed their newest recruit, Lucille Marie Cochran. Congratulations to Officer Gary Cochran and his beautiful family and also Grandpa, Retired Lt. Steve Donahoe!
- Communications Officers Marietta Spratt and Elizabeth Nix attended Emergency Medical Dispatch training at the Cass County Sheriff's Office.
- The monthly tornado siren test was conducted and no issues were reported.
- Officer Cole Williams attended Tactical Team training at the Cass County Sheriff's Department.
- Detective Lance Goddard, a certified International Police Mountain Bike Association instructor, trained Officers Parker Pruet and Gary Cochran to be the newest Raymore Police Department bike officers.
- Captain Jim Wilson met with the Parks Department and South Metro for a debriefing of the Spirit of America Celebration.
- SRO Rebekah Burns, Lt. David Billings and Capt. Jim Wilson retrieved and transported the final administrative vehicles for radio installation.
- A big thank-you to Scott LaMaster and "Takin' It To The Streets" for cooking lunch in the parking lot of the Department for Raymore Officers and South Metro Fire.
- Raymore hosted the monthly Chiefs and Sheriff meeting at Centerview.



Public Works

Engineering

- Staff continued work on in-house design of the Johnston Drive extension between Dean Avenue and the Outer Road.
- Staff provided review comments for Sunset Lane through the Parkside Development.

Operations and Maintenance

- Utility staff placed the new sewer jetter in service this week.
- Staff performed street clean up of fireworks at various locations.
- Staff performed pothole patching and concrete repairs.