

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of Jan. 23, 2023

Upcoming

Public Hearing: Risks of Landfill Development, 6 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 16, 2023, at Centerview, 227 Municipal Circle, Raymore.

The Raymore City Council will hold an urgent public hearing and vote on a bill regarding plans for a solid waste landfill in southeast Kansas City, Missouri, abutting neighborhoods, schools, small businesses, houses of worship and bodies of water in the surrounding communities.

The Raymore City Council will vote to approve or reject a one-half mile buffer, extending north from 155th Street on Raymore's north border, as allowed by the Revised Statutes of Missouri.

Come to the hearing with your comments and concerns. Learn more at www.raymore.com/killthefill



- **New year, new fitness opportunities!** Register now for Gentle Yoga, 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays from Feb. 1-March 8 at Centerview (\$30) or Zumba, 9-10 a.m. Saturdays from Feb. 18-March 25 at the Raymore Activity Center (\$30). [Register online here.](#)

- **Family Valentine's Dance, 6-8 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 11, Centerview, 227 Municipal Circle.** Children ages 4-12 and their parents/caregivers are invited to dance the night away at this special event. \$50 for four tickets or \$15/person. Registration is open until filled.

Space is limited to 160 participants. [Learn more and register on our website](#) or in person at Centerview during regular business hours.



Administration

- The City of Raymore thanks the Grandview Board of Aldermen, Lee's Summit R-7 School District Board of Education and Cass County Commission for passing resolutions in opposition to a landfill near our homes, schools and businesses.
- Missouri State Rep. Mike Haffner introduced House Bill No. 909 (HB 909) to modify provisions governing solid waste disposal area permits. The bill is co-sponsored by Reps. Sherri Gallick, Michael Davis, Anthony Ealy and Kemp Strickler, and has support from several area representatives. HB 909 would require the approval of the governing body of an adjoining municipality if a landfill site is located within **one mile** of its city limits. The current language is a half-mile. HB 909 was read for the first time Jan. 23, 2023, and for the second time Jan. 24, 2023.

City Clerk

- The agenda for the City Council work session on Monday, Jan. 30 is [available online](#).

Communications

- The landfill opposition issue continues to be covered by the regional media, including [KMBC 9](#), [KCTV 5](#), [FOX 4](#) and KCUR 89.3.
- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer added a "Recent Updates" tab and the City's [Twitter feed](#) to the www.raymore.com/killthefill webpage to make it easier for users to find the latest updates.
- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer attended the first two classes of the KU Public Management Center's Heartland Certified Public Manager (CPM) Program. The Heartland CPM is a 300-contact hour nationally accredited program and certification for managers working in public sector programs.

Development Services

- Development Services staff met to review the Comprehensive Plan draft and reviewed the process for selecting a consultant to finalize the Comprehensive Plan update.
- Economic Development Director Brandon Keller and Development Services Director David Gress attended the Raymore Chamber of Commerce Membership Luncheon at Centerview. The topic of discussion was small business resources offered by the Small Business Administration!
- City Planner Dylan Eppert completed International Code Council CEU training focused on Code Official Safety.

- City Planner Dylan Eppert, Code Enforcement Officer Drayton Vogel and Director David Gress met to review materials for the upcoming Jan. 30, 2023, joint work session with the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council.

Human Resources

- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur attended a Central Region International Public Managers Association for HR conference planning meeting.

Parks & Recreation

- Parks Maintenance crews trimmed trees along the boardwalk at Centerview, painted walls at the maintenance shop and participated in the snow removal from this week's winter weather.
- The Parks and Recreation Board met in regular session and held a work session this week.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen, Recreation and Facilities Superintendent Todd Brennon and Park Maintenance Worker Nick Cook met with representatives of the United States Specialty Sports Association (USSSA) to discuss summer tournaments.
- Centerview hosted the ERC winter luncheon and a Mario Kart Tournament.
- Recreation Coordinator Corinne Harkins participated in the National Recreation and Park Association's Leadership Development Network meeting.

Police

- Several supervisors attended a virtual training, *National Instant Criminal Background Check System Federal Prohibition Training*.
- Detective Sergeant Miller and Captain Abdelgawad attended a webinar, *How Do You Know? Understanding and Ways to do it Better to Enhance Traffic Investigations*.
- Raymore PD's newest recruit, Joel McLaughlin, started at the Kansas City Regional Police Academy this week.
- Capt. Abdelgawad observed the second set of Practical Integration Exercises at the Kansas City Regional Police Academy for recruit Tre'Vionne Wilson.
- Lts. Billings and German conducted De-Escalation Customer Service Training with City employees.

- This week Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart tested a candidate for the open Communications Officer position.
- Raymore Animal Control Officers Caleb Waller and Jackie Lightle and Capt. Mayberry attended an event at the Cass County Sheriff's Office where animal control officers received a certificate of thanks for assistance with a significant animal abuse investigation that involved several agencies.



Public Works Engineering

- Black and McDonald repaired the street lights on Westbrook 15th in the Creekmoor neighborhood. It was discovered that a mouse chewed through the main powerline causing the whole circuit to go out.
- Bids for the Mayberry Court waterline were opened.
- A pre-bid meeting for the 2023 Annual Curb Replacement Project was held.
- Public Works Director Mike Krass attended a virtual meeting of the Mid-America Regional Council Highway Committee.
- Assistant City Engineer Trent Salsbury attended the first two classes of the KU Public Management Center's Heartland Certified Public Manager Program.

Operations and Maintenance

- 15 City Hall Work Orders
- 2 Driveway Inspections
- 1 Final ROW Inspection
- 96 Locates
- 29 Service Requests
- 7 Water Inspections
- 7 Water Taps
- Fleet maintenance
- Prepped shop and trucks for snow event
- Organized sign shop
- Completed water service requests
- Put up new ID signs
- Continued training with new hire
- Snow event 01/21-01/22

- Snow event 01/24-01/25
- Ordered salt to restock salt dome
- Unloaded and pushed salt into dome
- Cleaned out and washed snow equipment
- Activated new water meters
- Completed miscellaneous concrete service requests
- Dropped off trucks for plow and spreader
- Picked up downed stop signs
- Station maintenance at lift station #7
- Fixed frozen meter on Cottonwood Dr