

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of April 3, 2023

Upcoming

- **Raymore Easter Festival, 10 a.m., Saturday, April 8 at Recreation Park's baseball fields, 1011 S. Madison St.** The hunt begins at 10 a.m. sharp, so arrive in time to allow for parking and getting to the appropriate field for your child's age group. After the hunt, children can meet the Easter Bunny and enjoy refreshments provided by our friends at the South Metro Fire



Protection District! [Visit our webpage for event details.](#)

- An Every contractor will soon start construction of a new power line on the north side of 155th Street starting at Madison Street and working toward Pryor Road. Material delivery for this project will begin Monday, April 10. Detours/full closures of 155th will come at some point in the construction process. We will provide advance notice of this on our website and on the City of Raymore's Twitter and Facebook accounts. There will also be message boards at the construction zone with detour information.
- **The Missouri Senate's Local Government Committee will meet for a public hearing on House Bill 909 and Senate Bill 590 at 1 p.m., Tuesday, April 11 in Senate Committee Room 2 at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City.** Please consider attending the public hearing to testify on behalf of the legislation and in opposition to the landfill! Learn more at www.raymore.com/killthefill. Let us know if you can attend the hearing on this form: <https://forms.gle/Q2s2AurMnHuDA47X7>

- **CALL TO ACTION:** It's time to contact the senators on the Local Government Committee! Please respectfully share your story and express your concerns with the lack of local control allowed by the current state statute and encourage Senators to **support BOTH House Bill 909 and Senate Bill 590**. [Download a PDF of senator contact information here](#) or find it on our [webpage](#) under the "What You Can Do" tab.

Administration

- Mayor Kris Turnbow and City Manager Jim Feuerborn met with several senators in Jefferson City on Wednesday, April 5, to discuss the importance of House Bill 909 and Senate Bill 590.

City Clerk

- The agenda for the Raymore City Council meeting at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 10 is [available online](#).

Communications

- Raymore voters elected city council members and approved a 3 percent city sales tax on recreational marijuana on April 4. [Find the details on our website](#).
- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer attended Heartland Certified Public Manager classes at the KU Edwards Campus in Overland Park.
- The Raymore Arts Commission meeting for Tuesday, April 11, has been canceled due to the House Bill 909 and Senate Bill 590 public hearing in Jefferson City.

Development Services

- The Board of Adjustments will hold a public hearing on April 12, 2023, at 6 p.m. regarding two variance applications, as well as election of officers and reviewing the 2023 meeting calendar.
- On April 12, 2023, a good neighbor meeting will be held at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chambers for an application that was filed to rezone the property located at 103 S. Jefferson St. from "C-2" General Commercial District to "R-1" Single-Family Residential District.
- City staff will be interviewing candidates next week for the position of Economic Development Director.
- City Planner Dylan Eppert participated in a pre-application workshop webinar hosted by the Mid-America Regional Council regarding funding through the Carbon Reduction Program.
- Vertical construction began on the Starbucks Coffee building at 1631 W. Foxwood Dr.

- A Certificate of Occupancy was obtained for Building 2 of the Raymore Commerce Center.

Human Resources

- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur participated in the Central Region International Public Management Association for Human Resources conference planning meeting.
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur attended a seminar on “Mental Health as a Business Strategy.”
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur attended a MO Women Leading Government luncheon and tour of the City of Riverside’s newly renovated Public Safety Building.

Parks & Recreation

- According to our research, the first Raymore Easter egg hunt was in 1987! This community favorite is back this Saturday, April 8, at Recreation Park for year 36 and you're invited. The hunt for 15,000 Easter eggs begins at 10 a.m. Get there early and don't miss one of the biggest community events of the year!
- Park restrooms are open for the season.
- Recreation Superintendent Todd Brennon and Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook attended the South Metro Sports Group meeting at the Harrisonville Community Center.
- The 2023 Spring Flag Football schedules are finalized and a coaches meeting for the baseball/softball season has been scheduled. Coaches have been notified. Players will be contacted after the coaches meeting.
- Park maintenance crews completed the plantings in the islands at the Hawks Nest at Hawk Ridge Park. The restroom door that was vandalized and broken over the winter was repaired this week.
- Park maintenance crews continue to work on the landscaping around the park areas and are mowing as needed until the full mowing routine is started within the next few weeks.



- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo met with contractors planning the installation of sidewalks at the Hawk's Nest All-Inclusive Playground and the Amphitheater.
- The Hawks Nest All-Inclusive Playground construction resumed this week as weather cooperated. The Parks and Recreation Department will announce a grand opening of the Hawks Nest in the coming weeks.
- Recreation Coordinator Corinne Harkins wrapped up a week of Spring Break camps. The Spring Break Basketball Camp had 30 players registered. The camp focused on basic game fundamentals with offensive and defensive drills and wrapped up with a 3v3 tournament. The Adventure Camp had 15 participants. Day campers built forts, played gaga ball, dodgeball, human foosball, competed in lego challenges, explored the park and participated in other fun camp activities.
- The RAC and Centerview were voting locations this week.

Police

- Officer Cole Williams attended the National Law Enforcement Training Center Spring Seminar at the Lee's Summit Police Department.
- Week 2 of the Citizen's Police Academy was held where instructors covered Constitution Law, City Code and Raymore City Ordinances.
- Several members of the department attended a webinar, How to Apply for & Manage COPS Grants.
- Chief Wilson attended the Metro Chiefs & Sheriffs Association meeting in North Kansas City.
- Several members of the police department were in attendance at the Raymore Easter Festival at Recreation Park.
- The Communications team was CPR certified at South Metro Fire.
- Communications Officer Kaitlin Sheldrake celebrated her one year anniversary with the department.
- The tornado sirens were tested during the monthly test on Wednesday with no issues reported.
- Chief Wilson met with members of the RayPec Senior Drive project

Public Works Engineering

- Work continues to progress on the Ridgeview Estates, The Depot and Parkside Subdivisions.
- City staff held a pre-construction meeting with Tandem Paving who will be completing this year's Street Preservation project. This project is tentatively scheduled to begin April 17.
- City staff attended a conference on trenching and shoring safety at Midwest Public Risk in Independence, MO.
- The 2023 curb project is underway, the contractor is currently working on Kodiak Street and is planning to move to Hedge Apple Place next week.

Operations and Maintenance

- 19 City Hall Work Orders
- 2 Driveway Inspections
- 9 Final ROW Inspections
- 140 Locates
- 15 Service Requests
- 1 Water Inspection
- 2 Sidewalk Inspections
- 1 Water Taps
- Sewer backup in LeMor Estates
- Sewer jetted 600 ft
- Backflow letters
- Fixed downed street signs
- Fixed downed stop signs
- Assessed downed tree limbs
- Picked up and dropped off recycling carts for the recycling program
- Fleet Maintenance
- Inspected curbs throughout the city for patch repairs
- Completed misc concrete inspections
- Bi-monthly water samples
- Hydro excavate a water leak
- Completed some preventative maintenance on lift stations
- Sewer main repair
- Water meter repairs
- Picked up parts from Viking Cives
- Completed 8 concrete service requests
- Loaded tools & equipment for curb patching
- Picked up trash and debris off sidewalks on Johnston Dr & 58 Hwy
- Cleaned and repaired backhoe
- Replaced batteries on John Deere backhoe
- Put tailgates back on dump trucks
- Prepped trucks and equipment for upcoming concrete work
- Continued fixing dirt work for water breaks that occurred during winter