

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of April 24, 2023

Upcoming

- **Hawk's Nest Grand Opening, 7 p.m., Monday, May 1 at Hawk Ridge Park, 701 Johnston Pkwy.** It's finally time to open this fully accessible playground! Help us celebrate at the grand opening on May 1. Learn more and find parking information at raymore.com/hawksnest



- **National Bike to School Day, Wednesday, May 3.** Raymore officers will be at Raymore Elementary, Eagle Glen Elementary and Stonegate Elementary the morning of May 3 and will be at Raymore Elementary, Creekmoor Elementary and Timber Creek Elementary that afternoon. Remember to wear your helmet!
- **Touch A Truck, 9 a.m.-noon, Saturday, May 6 at Recreation Park. Sensory friendly hour from 9-10 a.m.** Bring the family to this free open house of large vehicles and equipment trucks! Get up close and personal with fire trucks, dump trucks, earthmovers and other vehicles. Children and adults with sensitivities to loud noises are invited to attend during the 9-10 a.m. sensory friendly hour. This event is free.

Administration

Landfill update: House Bill 909 is on the Missouri Senate's Formal Calendar for Third Reading and *may* be brought up for debate next week. Please call and email the following senators and respectfully let them know why you support HB 909/SB 590. If passed, this legislation would give local communities a voice in the development of new landfills on their border. Share your story and remind them of the broad bipartisan support and grassroots momentum behind our efforts.

Sen. Holly Thompson Rehder, holly.rehder@senate.mo.gov, 573-751-2459

Sen. Mary Elizabeth Coleman, maryelizabeth.coleman@senate.mo.gov, 573-751-1492

Sen. Curtis Trent, curtis.trent@senate.mo.gov, 573-751-1503

IMPORTANT QUESTIONS:

- These bills have the support of every single senator and representative who has a stake in the area. Why are they opposing their colleagues whose districts would be negatively impacted by a new landfill?
- These senators don't represent our area. Why do they believe they know what's best for us?
- Ask them why they will not support the thousands of Missourians who have written, called and testified on behalf of this legislation and are doing what elected officials have longed for –getting involved in the process.

In the early morning hours of April 26, a debate ensued on the Senate floor regarding a potential amendment to a budget bill to study impacts of a landfill in our region. Hearing opposition to that amendment last night has centered our concerns around the aforementioned senators who stood up and expressed possible opposition to our legislation. Please ask these senators to let this bill have its day on the floor and get an up or down vote from the full Senate.

As always, we encourage you to thank the senators who are in support of HB 909, especially Sen. Rick Brattin, who was debating for your property rights in the middle of the night!

City Clerk

- The agenda for the City Council work session on Monday, May 1 is [available online](#).

Communications

- Public art by Minnesota-based artist Craig Snyder was installed on the south end of the Eagle Glen Trail near the South Foxridge Drive and Eagle Glen Drive intersection. "Sweet Pops of Brilliance" will be displayed for two years as part of the Raymore Arts Commission's rotating art program. Arts Commissioners Bob Berry, Loren Jones and Cole Young are pictured with Snyder.



Development Services

- City Planner Dylan Eppert participated as a panelist at the "Age Positive 2023" conference hosted by Mid America Regional Council located at the Kauffman Foundation and Conference Center in Kansas City, Missouri.

- City Planner Dylan Eppert met with Richard Duncan, a Universal Design expert, to discuss potential options for implementation of a Universal Design program citywide as well as providing education to the public regarding Universal Design.
- Development Services Director David Gress attended a Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting ceremony for Raymore Family Dentistry, located at 109 S Madison. The Chamber also hosted a farewell celebration for Dr. Mary Kay Mitchell, who is retiring after many years in the community.
- The City Council held a public hearing on the proposed [22-acre mixed use development](#) located west of Dean Avenue, north of Johnston Drive, within the Timber Trails development. The Council voted 7-0 on first reading to recommend approval of the request.
- The materials for the May 2 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting were posted online. The Commission will review a site plan request for [Sunset Villas](#), a proposed 98-unit 55+ senior living facility located north of Price Chopper, east of Johnston Parkway.

Human Resources

- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur attended a webinar on Employment Leave Topics presented by Polsenelli.
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur participated in several conference planning committee meetings for the Central Region International Public Managers Association for HR conference.

Parks & Recreation

- Recreation Coordinator Corinne Harkins continues preparing for the upcoming [Touch a Truck](#) event scheduled for Saturday, May 6 at Recreation Park.
- Park Maintenance crews spent the week doing routine mowing and preparing Hawk Ridge Park for the ribbon cutting on May 1.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook met with staff at Shamrock Hills Golf Course to plan a future golf league.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook coached the Tiny Soccer program, interviewed applicants for concessions positions and scheduled baseball and softball games with the South Metro Sports group in Pleasant Hill.
- Centerview was host for a celebration of life, a social security seminar and several other private events.

- Centerview was host for an NFL Draft Watch Party on Thursday night for Raymore's NFL Youth Flag Football League. Academy Sports hosted the event and provided snacks, games and live streaming of the draft. Participants were able to remotely interact with special guests and former players during the event.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen participated in a webinar with the Engineering Department staff hosted by the American Public Works Association. The webinar focused on Accessibility for Outdoor Grounds Facilities.
- A very special thank you to the Parks Maintenance staff for working hard this week to prepare Hawk Ridge Park and the Hawk's Nest All Inclusive Playground for the grand opening. If you see our Parks staff, let them know they did a great job.

Police

- Sgt. Nate Rogers attended Milo Range Simulation instructor training at the Parkville Police Department.
- The Raymore Police Department RAPTOR team conducted drone training.
- Members of the Raymore Police Department Citizens Academy learned about Emergency Management, Community Outreach and Juvenile Procedures in class this week.
- Officer Jacob Keltner attended Revenue Law for Peace Officers training at the Kansas City Regional Police Academy.
- Chief Jim Wilson assisted the Missouri Peace Officer Association with Technical Skills Assessment (TSA) to achieve their Industry Recognized Credential (IRC) for students throughout the State that are in the Missouri Career Technical Sciences Program. The assessment was conducted in Jefferson City.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended a First Due project meeting at South Metro Fire.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended a CentralSquare project meeting via Zoom.
- Communications Officer Mari Spratt celebrated her two year anniversary.

Public Works Engineering

- The waterline was replaced on Mayberry Court. The new line will go into service at the end of next week.

- Site grading work started on the second phase of The Estates at Knoll Creek.
- Waterline is continuing to be installed at the Ridgeview Estates site.
- The curb replacement on Cedar Ridge Drive is nearing completion.
- The street preservation project is fully underway. Paving throughout town will continue for the next couple of weeks.
- Contractors installed new sidewalk on portions of Foxridge Drive, Peace Drive and Conway Street.

Operations and Maintenance

- 23 City Hall Work Orders
- 4 Driveway Inspections
- 11 Final ROW Inspections
- 188 Locates
- 3 Sewer Inspections
- 3 Water Inspections
- 1 Sidewalk Inspection
- 2 Water Taps
- 1 Curb Inspection
- Completed concrete service requests
- Water crew completed backflow tests for city buildings
- Uploaded and entered backflow tests into system
- Sidewalk repairs
- Completed misc concrete inspections
- Completed water service requests
- Patched potholes
- Water meter repairs
- Lift station maintenance
- Fleet maintenance
- KC Backflow Recertification Course (4/21/23) - Zach Frazier & Justin Paith attended
- Curb patching
- Water shut offs
- Water turn ons
- Repaired downed ID signs
- Repaired downed Stop signs