

## WEEKLY REPORT

Week of July 31, 2023

### Upcoming

- Back to School Sales Tax Holiday, Aug. 4-6 in Missouri. Certain back-to-school purchases, such as school supplies, clothes and computers are exempt from sales tax this weekend. [Click here to visit the Missouri Department of Revenue website for more information and a complete list of tax exempt items.](#)
- **Support local farmers and artisans when you shop at the Raymore Farmers Market 4-7 p.m. every Tuesday through September at Centerview's lot and back lawn, 227 Municipal Circle.** Shop for locally grown produce and plants, honey, home baked goods, salsa, handmade crafts and decor and more every Tuesday at the market. Accessible parking is available in Centerview's lower lot. Additional parking is available on Municipal Circle and in the Raymore City Hall parking lot.
- **BMW Band, 7-9 p.m., Friday, Aug. 11 at the Hawk Ridge Park amphitheater, 701 Johnston Pkwy.** Bring a chair or blanket and your favorite refreshments to this free jazz concert sponsored by the Raymore Arts Commission! Text RAYMOREARTS to 91896 to sign up for text reminders about this concert and other Arts Commission events.
- **The annual Tax Levy public hearing will be held at 6 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 14, at the City Council Meeting at Raymore City Hall, 100 Municipal Circle.** Assessed property values are determined by taking the market value, as determined by the County Assessor, times the assessment ratio. Assessment ratios are: commercial at 32%, residential at 19% and agricultural at 12%. Tax is paid on each \$100 of assessed value. Property values are re-assessed biennially by the County Assessor and the County Collector receives and distributes the taxes to the various taxing authorities. Property tax received by the City is divided into three different funds. The preliminary tax levy calculation is based on assessed valuation before the Board of Equalization conclusion: General Fund \$0.3950, Park Fund \$0.1063 and Debt Service Fund will remain at \$0.7170. The preliminary total is \$1.2183 per \$100 of assessed value.



### Administration

- Administrative staff and department directors met to discuss proposed Capital Improvement Program (CIP) projects for the upcoming fiscal year that begins Nov. 1.

#### **City Clerk**

- The agenda for the Aug. 7 City Council work session is [available online](#).

#### **Communications**

- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer attended classes for the Heartland Certified Public Manager program at the KU Edwards Campus in Overland Park, KS.

#### **Development Services**

- The Planning and Zoning Commission met on Tuesday, Aug. 1 and reviewed and approved two applications, including a final plat request for the Dean Avenue South right-of-way, and a site plan request for a [9,000 square-foot multi-tenant retail building located at 1830 W. Foxwood Drive](#). The Commission also reviewed the 2023 Annual Review of the Unified Development Code.
- Development Services staff and Engineering staff met with Wilson & Co to discuss an update to the Westgate Traffic Study.

#### **Human Resources**

- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur attended the MO-SHRM (Society for Human Resources Management) conference.
- Human Resources Manager Shawn Aulgur participated in a Regional Transition Committee meeting for PSHRA (Public Sector HR Association).

#### **Parks & Recreation**

- Parks & Recreation Director Nathan Musteen, Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo, Recreation Superintendent Todd Brennon and Recreation Coordinator Corinne Harkins met to discuss the Mini Mud Run on Aug. 18.
- Recreation Coordinator Corinne Harkins met with Amie Fleming, the owner of Fleming Floral Station, on the upcoming Do It Yourself Wreath Program.
- The week of Aug. 7 is the final week of summer camp. The theme for the week is Wild Wild West.
- Parks maintenance cut and picked up limbs in the parks due to the past weekend's storms.

- Parks maintenance prepped ball fields at Recreation Park for an overnight adult softball tournament beginning Friday, Aug. 4 and ending Saturday morning. The tournament this weekend is run by the Christmas 4 Kids group.
- Parks & Recreation Director Natan Musteen, Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo and Recreation Superintendent Todd Brennon met with Greg Walker of Youth Scoreboards to view newly installed digital scoreboards in Lenexa and how the scoreboards operated.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook recruited coaches for the upcoming fall athletic season.

### **Police**

- Recruit Caleb Wright participated in his second Practical Integrated Exercises at the Kansas City Regional Police Academy. Lt. Billings was in attendance to observe and evaluate.
- Several members of the Raymore Police Department command staff participated in an interview for an applicant for police officer.
- Detective Chris McGovern attended Marijuana Minutes training at the Lake Winnebago Police Department.
- Chief Jim Wilson met Belton Police Chief Lyons in Belton regarding the Emergency Response Team.
- Chief Jim Wilson, Capt. Aly Abdelgawad, Lt. David Billings, Detective Sgt. Cory Miller and Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart participated in a Microsoft Teams meeting with Central Square to learn about their case management system.
- Recruit Joel McLaughlin graduated from the Kansas City Regional Police Academy and is ready to begin his Field Training program. Chief Jim Wilson was in attendance at the graduation.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended the Cass County GIS meeting hosted by Mid America Regional Council in Harrisonville.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended a virtual CentralSquare project meeting.
- Chief Jim Wilson attended the Metro Chiefs meeting.
- Chief Jim Wilson met with Pleasant Hill Police Chief Wright in Raymore.

### **Public Works**

## **Engineering**

- Staff conducted Sanitary Sewer testing in Madison Valley.
- The 2023 Curb Project continues as planned.
- Stormwater runoff and Stormwater system inspections were conducted at The Depot.
- Trent Salisbury is a new dad! Congratulations to Trent and his wife on their new family addition.
- Crews completed micro-surfacing on Foxridge Drive and egan micro-surfacing on Lucy Webb Road.
- Crews are replacing one thousand feet of damaged sidewalk on Dean Avenue.
- Staff conducted a pre-bid meeting for the 2023 Fire Hydrant Project and bid opening for the Johnston Drive extension.

## **Operations and Maintenance**

- 30 City Hall Work Orders
- 2 Final ROW Inspections
- 108 Locates
- 54 Service Requests
- 3 Water Inspections
- 3 Water Taps
- Uploaded and entered backflow tests into system
- Completed water service requests
- Sewer jetting
- Continued paint stripping project
- Mowed and weed control at public work maintenance building and stations
- Continued on sign inventory
- Moved tree limb out of road way and sidewalks
- Activated new water meters
- Picked up recycling carts
- Began water supply room inventory