

THE RAYMORE CITY COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2023 IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 100 MUNICIPAL CIRCLE, RAYMORE, MISSOURI. MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR TURNBOW, COUNCILMEMBERS ABDELGAWAD, BAKER, BARBER, BURKE III, ENGERT, FORSTER, HOLMAN, AND TOWNSEND. ALSO PRESENT: CITY MANAGER JIM FEUERBORN, CITY ATTORNEY JONATHAN ZERR, AND CITY CLERK ERICA HILL.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Turnbow called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

City Clerk Erica Hill called roll; quorum present to conduct business.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Presentation/Awards

5. Personal Appearances

6. Staff Reports

Development Services Director David Gress reviewed the staff report included in the packet.

City Manager Jim Feuerborn announced items for the October 16 work session.

7. Committee Reports

8. Consent Agenda

A. City Council Meeting minutes, September 25, 2023

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Abstain
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Abstain
	Councilmember Forster	Aye
	Councilmember Holman	Aye
	Councilmember Townsend	Aye

Councilmembers Barber and Engert abstained as they were absent from the September 25 meeting.

9. Unfinished Business

A. 36th Amendment to Unified Development Code

BILL 3842: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, AMENDING THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE."

City Clerk Erica Hill conducted the second reading of Bill 3842 by title only.

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the second reading of Bill 3842 by title only.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Aye
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Aye
	Councilmember Forster	Aye
	Councilmember Holman	Aye
	Councilmember Townsend	Aye

Mayor Turnbow announced the motion carried and declared Bill 3842 as **Raymore City Ordinance 2023-076.**

B. Eastbrooke at Creekmoor 4th Final Plat

BILL 3850: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, APPROVING THE EASTBROOKE AT CREEKMOOR 4TH FINAL PLAT, A SUBDIVISION OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER AND SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 46N, RANGE 32W, RAYMORE, CASS COUNTY, MISSOURI."

City Clerk Erica Hill conducted the second reading of Bill 3850 by title only.

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the second reading of Bill 3850 by title only.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Aye
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Aye

Councilmember Forster	Aye
Councilmember Holman	Aye
Councilmember Townsend	Aye

Mayor Turnbow announced the motion carried and declared Bill 3850 as **Raymore City Ordinance 2023-077**.

10. New Business

A. Adoption of the FY 2024 City Budget

BILL 3853: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET."

City Clerk Erica Hill conducted the first reading of Bill 3853 by title only.

Mayor Turnbow opened the public hearing at 6:06 p.m. and called for a staff report.

City Manager Jim Feuerborn reviewed the staff report included in the packet. The proposed Fiscal Year 2024 Budget and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) was transmitted to the City Council on August 21, 2023 and has had the opportunity to discuss the FY 2024 Budget and CIP at each work session following the presentation. Mr. Feuerborn reviewed the items the Council discussed adding to the FY 2024 budget at work sessions. He also noted a corrected Bill 3853 has been distributed.

Mayor Turnbow opened the floor for public comment. Hearing no comments, he closed the public hearing at 6:08 p.m.

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the first reading of Bill 3842 by title only, with the following amendments:

Amendment 1. To allocate \$50,000 from the general fund to the purchase of new traffic radar signs; and,

Amendment 2. To allocate \$13,400 from the general fund to purchase two new Flock cameras for the Raymore Police Department; and,

Amendment 3. To add an additional \$15,000 from the general fund's available fund balance to previously allocated funds for electronic signage in various areas of Raymore; and,

Amendment 4. To allocate \$70,000 from the general fund to the park sales tax fund for repair and maintenance of bridges along the Memorial Park Trail.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Holman stated he wanted to remove amendment 4 from the list of amendments as the project isn't warranted at this time and other trails need repair more than this project.

MOTION TO AMEND: By Councilmember Holman, second by Councilmember Barber to remove amendment 4 from the list of amendments.

DISCUSSION: Councilmember Forster stated the bridges would help improve this area and make it safer for constituents.

Councilmember Abdelgawad stated she agrees with Councilmember Forster and this is an important amendment to the budget.

Councilmember Townsend stated the Parks Board hasn't presented this as a need and would like to see them designate repairs and if there was a reason the bridges haven't been replaced in 40 years.

Councilmember Abdelgawad responded that the Park Board is tasked with bringing forward a balanced budget and noted that all of the items added to the budget were not requested from the department they affect.

Discussion ensued.

ROLL CALL VOTE ON MOTION TO AMEND:

Councilmember Abdelgawad	Nay
Councilmember Baker	Aye
Councilmember Barber	Aye
Councilmember Burke III	Aye
Councilmember Engert	Nay
Councilmember Forster	Nay
Councilmember Holman	Aye
Councilmember Townsend	Aye

DISCUSSION: None

ROLL CALL VOTE ON AMENDED MOTION:

Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
Councilmember Baker	Aye
Councilmember Barber	Aye
Councilmember Burke III	Aye
Councilmember Engert	Aye
Councilmember Forster	Aye
Councilmember Holman	Aye
Councilmember Townsend	Aye

B. Youth Scoreboards Lease Agreement

BILL 3844: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH YOUTH SCOREBOARDS LLC FOR THE LEASE OF FOUR SECTIONS OF PROPERTY WITHIN RECREATION PARK TO BE USED FOR SCOREBOARDS AT THE BASEBALL/SOFTBALL COMPLEX."

City Clerk Erica Hill conducted the first reading of Bill 3844 by title only.

Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen reviewed the staff report included in the packet. Staff presented a lease agreement with Youth Scoreboards, LLC that provides scoreboards for youth baseball fields to the City Council at their work session on September 18, 2023. The lease is a 10-year agreement with details outlined within the document. If approved, Raymore will be the first municipality in the state of Missouri to use this program. Scoreboards at Recreation Park are an FY26 Capital project identified by the Parks and Recreation Board. This agreement would accelerate the project at a significantly reduced cost. He answered questions from Council, including specific items included in the contract and the cost of each unit.

Greg Walker, Youth Scoreboards LLC, stated the scoreboards cost \$18,000 to \$20,000 per field.

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the first reading of Bill 3844 by title only.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Aye
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Aye
	Councilmember Forster	Aye
	Councilmember Holman	Aye
	Councilmember Townsend	Aye

C. Electrical Service – Youth Scoreboards

BILL 3852: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH BRANDY ELECTRIC COMPANY TO INSTALL ELECTRICAL SERVICE AT RECREATION PARK FOR SCOREBOARDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,000."

City Clerk Erica Hill conducted the first reading of Bill 3852 by title only.

Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen reviewed the staff report included in the packet. The Parks and Recreation Department is partnering with Youth Scoreboards LLC to provide four scoreboards at the baseball/softball fields at Recreation Park. These scoreboards require electrical service to the desired location of placement. Staff has issued an RFP for the electrical service. Two bids were received. Staff recommends award of contract to Brandy Electric.

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the first reading of Bill 3852 by title only.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Aye
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Aye
	Councilmember Forster	Aye
	Councilmember Holman	Aye
	Councilmember Townsend	Aye

D. Memorial Park Electrical Easement

BILL 3849: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, GRANTING A TEN FOOT WIDE UTILITY EASEMENT TO EVERGY METRO, INC., ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 0.092 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN MEMORIAL PARK, RAYMORE, CASS COUNTY, MISSOURI."

City Clerk Erica Hill conducted the first reading of Bill 3849 by title only.

Development Services Director David Gress reviewed the staff report included in the packet. In 2023, the Raymore-Peculiar School District completed improvements to Raymore Elementary School, which is located directly adjacent to Memorial Park. As part of the improvements to the school facility, electrical improvements were installed by Evergy, which included the installation of a new power line that was installed on and through property that is owned by the City of Raymore. A utility easement is being requested through the portion of Memorial Park in which the power line crosses. Staff has verified the location of the requested easement does not currently conflict with plans for the park.

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the first reading of Bill 3849 by title only.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Aye
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Aye
	Councilmember Forster	Aye
	Councilmember Holman	Aye
	Councilmember Townsend	Aye

E. Budget Amendment: FY 2023 Operating Adjustments

BILL 3845: "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RAYMORE, MISSOURI, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 OPERATING BUDGET."

City Clerk Erica Hill conducted the first reading of Bill 3845 by title only.

Finance Director Elisa Williams reviewed the staff report included in the packet. During Fiscal Year 2023, a number of operating transactions occurred that require budget amendments. Finance staff has accumulated these items to be addressed as a single budget amendment. The amendments include: Stormwater Department additional expenditures associated with emergency storm repairs on S. Sunset - \$75,000 General Fund; Police Department additional expenditures associated with: tasers, in car cameras and body cameras - \$42,778, General Fund - \$26,282 VERP Fund; General Fund available fund balance was transferred to the restricted fund for legal and professional services related to fighting the threatened Landfill that will be used for FY23 and FY24 expenses - \$355,000; General Fund available fund balance was transferred to the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund for improvements to the police firing range - \$400,000; Restricted Funds set aside in FY2019 for Johnston Drive were transferred to the Transportation Fund for the Johnston Drive Extension project that commenced in FY2023 - \$54,750; Restricted Funds set aside for the Growth Management Plan were used for professional services related to the City's Comprehensive Plan - \$55,000; emergency repairs to Johnston Parkway paid for from the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund as well as repairs to the permeable paver crosswalks at Sunset and at Huntsman - \$73,000; Communications Department requested to transfer Arts Commission funds to the Restricted Fund for a future lease payment for public art. \$1,500; Parks & Recreation Department made electrical improvements to athletic fields at Recreation Park for scoreboards - \$29,000; Enterprise Fund purchased more water from KCMO than budgeted due to increased water sales associated with very dry weather conditions (water sales revenue +\$500,000, water purchased from KCMO -\$500,000) - \$0.00.

Mr. Feuerborn added that a number of these items have been presented as contracts that could have possibly ended up over budget; those budget amendments are typically saved until the end of each fiscal year to reconcile.

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to approve the first reading of Bill 3845 by title only.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Aye
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Aye
	Councilmember Forster	Aye
	Councilmember Holman	Aye
	Councilmember Townsend	Aye

11. Public Comment

12. Mayor/Council Communication

Mayor Turnbow and Councilmembers thanked staff for their work on preparing the FY 2024 budget.

Councilmember Baker noted the upcoming concert at the amphitheater hosted by the Arts Commission on Friday, October 13.

Councilmember Engert noted the No Solicitor stickers are proving beneficial.

Councilmember Burke discussed the bridges in Memorial Park and would like to look at the needs of the entire park.

Councilmember Forster noted her disappointment in the removal of the repair to the bridges at Memorial Park from the budget.

Mayor Turnbow expressed sorrow regarding the recent attack on Israel.

13. Adjournment

MOTION: By Councilmember Abdelgawad, second by Councilmember Townsend to adjourn.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE:	Councilmember Abdelgawad	Aye
	Councilmember Baker	Aye
	Councilmember Barber	Aye
	Councilmember Burke III	Aye
	Councilmember Engert	Aye
	Councilmember Forster	Aye
	Councilmember Holman	Aye
	Councilmember Townsend	Aye

The regular meeting of the Raymore Council adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Hill
City Clerk