

# **WEEKLY REPORT**

Week of March 4, 2024

## **Upcoming**

- Spring Craft Show, 10

   a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday,
   March 9 at the Raymore
   Activity Center, 1011 S.
   Madison St. Spruce up
   your space for spring and
   shop for handmade crafts,
   jewelry, home decor and
   more from 50 vendors at
   our annual spring craft
   show!
- Question P Open House:
   Noon-3 p.m. & 5-7:30
   p.m., Wednesday, March 20 and 9 a.m.-noon & 5-7:30 p.m., Thursday, March 21 at Raymore
   City Hall, 100 Municipal Circle. Raymore residents



will see Question P, a local use tax, on the April 2 ballot. A local use tax is equal to the City of Raymore's sales tax (2.5%) on the purchase of goods strictly from out-of-state vendors – often online – that currently do not collect Raymore sales tax. Revenue from a local use tax will be used to hire more Police, Public Works Maintenance Workers and Parks Maintenance Workers to our workforce and will provide funds for yearly maintenance of Raymore's stretch of 58 Highway. 291 other Missouri cities have a voter-approved use tax in place to fund essential city services. Learn more and ask staff questions at an open house or visit www.raymore.com/questionp

### **Administration**

• **LANDFILL UPDATE:** The Missouri House of Representatives approved Rep. Mike Haffner's House Bill 1751 with a 112-30 vote. The bill now moves to the Missouri Senate. We're incredibly grateful to Rep. Haffner and the 111 other state representatives who support this legislation that will allow us to better protect our community. Click here to read the press release.



- Human Resources Director Shawn Aulgur, Finance Director Lisa Williams, City Clerk Erica Hill, Senior Accountant Rachel Williams and Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended a women's conference hosted by the Belton Chamber of Commerce.
- Human Resources Director Shawn Aulgur, Finance Director Lisa Williams, Senior Accountant Rachel Williams and Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the virtual forum Bold Women, Bold Changes, presented by ICMA and the League of Women in Government.
- Finance Director Lisa Williams attended the Financial Advisory Committee meeting at Midwest Public Risk.
- Staff participated in the statewide tornado drill on Wednesday by practicing sheltering plans at City Hall during the drill.

## **City Clerk**

• <u>Click here</u> to view the materials for the March 11 City Council meeting.

#### **Communications**

 Communications Manager Melissa Harmer shared information with staff in various departments about the upcoming use tax measure on the April 2 ballot. <u>Click here to learn more</u>.

### **Development Services**

- City Planner Dylan Eppert attended the Emerging Leader Academy program presented by University of Kansas Public Management Center.
- City Planner Dylan Eppert applied for a grant through the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) to assist in funding the pickleball courts to be constructed at Recreation Park.
- Director of Development Services David Gress and City Planner Dylan Eppert attended the South KC Planner's meeting hosted by the City of Lee's Summit.
- The regularly scheduled meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission for Tuesday, Mar. 5 was canceled due to lack of business. The Commission is scheduled to meet next on Tuesday, Mar. 19.



• The materials for the Mar. 13 meeting of the Board of Zoning Adjustment have been posted <u>online</u>.

### **Economic Development**

- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea judged the Missouri State DECA competition.
- Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the Raymore Chamber of Commerce's monthly Coffee and Conversation.

#### Parks & Recreation

- Four staff members of the Parks and Recreation Department attended the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association annual conference in St. Charles, Missouri.
- Park Maintenance staff spread mulch around trees and landscape areas at Centerview and Recreation Park.
- Several play features at Recreation Park Playground and the Hawk's Nest Playground at Hawk Ridge Park have been removed as a result of vandalism. Park staff have reordered the pieces and will install them when they are delivered.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook prepared for the Flag Football Coaches meeting.
- Business Development Coordinator Candice Mangum and Office Assistant Greta Naab attended a Quinceanera Expo in Kansas City to showcase Centerview as an event space for the Hispanic Community. Rental information for Centerview was published in Spanish for the event.
- Business Development Coordinator Candice Mangum obtained permission for the Kansas City Royals to air the opening day game for a community watch party at Centerview. Other details such as food trucks and event sponsors are being finalized. Event information coming soon.
- Recreation Coordinator Corinne Harkins continues preparation for the upcoming Easter Festival and Spring Craft Show.

#### **Police**

- Chief Wilson attended the Homelessness Community meeting in Belton.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended the Missouri Public Safety Communications Conference in St. Louis, Missouri.



- Several members of the Raymore Police Department participated in online CentralSquare meetings to discuss the Jail Management System, Reports Management System and Data Conversion Mapping issues.
- The Raymore Police Department drone unit conducted training.
- The Communications Unit tested the tornado sirens on Wednesday with no issues noted.
- Chief Wilson met with Pastor Stephen Barbee of P2P Passion Project to discuss reentry type situations with troubled community members at the Raymore Police Department.
- Communications Supervisor Adrienne Rinehart attended a CentralSquare project meeting virtually.
- Detectives, along with members from the Command Staff and Crime Analyst Brackeen, attended a training session with Brad Parsons (Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center) at the Raymore Police Department.
- Detective Chris McGovern attended the Cass County Intelligence meeting Wednesday afternoon at Belton Police Department.
- Chief Wilson met with two recruits from the Central Missouri Police Academy.

## Public Works Engineering

- Base asphalt was placed on 163rd Street in Creekmoor.
- Sanitary sewer installation started in Madison Valley.

#### **Operations and Maintenance**

- 9 City Hall Work Orders
- 3 Driveway Inspections
- 3 Final ROW Inspections
- 103 Locates
- 7 Service Requests
- 2 Sewer Inspections
- 2 Sidewalk Inspections
- 3 Curb Inspections
- 1 Water Tap
- Fleet maintenance
- Pothole patching
- Completed miscellaneous water service requests
- Made sign repairs throughout city
- Activated new water meters



- Completed miscellaneous street repair service requests Swept streets for built up debris and broken glass on roadways