

WEEKLY REPORT

Week of April 1, 2024

Upcoming

- **Solar Eclipse Watch Party, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Monday, April 8 on Centerview's back lawn, 227 Municipal Circle.** The first 40 attendees will receive complimentary solar viewing glasses courtesy of Raising Cane's. Take a late lunch and enjoy free hot dogs while viewing the eclipse.
- **Power of Perspectives Exhibit and Award Reception, 5:30-8:30 p.m., Friday, April 19 at Centerview, 227 Municipal Circle.** Join us for an awards reception and view an exhibit of more than 50 works of art from area artists. Enjoy a cash bar and complimentary refreshments. Many art pieces will be available for purchase. Learn more at www.raymore.com/pop

Administration

- **LANDFILL UPDATE:** Mayor Kris Turnbow, City Manager Jim Feuerborn and Communications Manager Melissa Harmer were in Jefferson City on April 3. Good discussions took place with legislators and a lobbyist of the landfill developer. We feel that we are progressing toward a mutually beneficial agreement that eliminates a landfill near our city's border. We will share updates as they become available.
- The City's use tax issue, Question P, failed with 895 yes votes to 1,032 no votes. Thank you to all who voted. [Click here](#) to view the City's press release on the results.

City Clerk

- [Click here](#) to view the materials for the April 8 City Council regular and special meetings.

Communications

- Communications Manager Melissa Harmer and Marketing and Communications Assistant Alex Garcia accepted more than 50 art entries for the Raymore Arts Commission's Power of Perspectives Art Competition. Save the date for the exhibit and awards reception from 5:30-8:30 p.m. on Friday, April 19 at Centerview, 227 Municipal Circle.

Development Services

- The materials for the April 10 meeting of the Board of Zoning Adjustment were [posted online](#).

- Development Services Director David Gress, City Planner Dylan Eppert, and Economic Development Director Jordan Lea attended the monthly South KC Planners meeting.
- Development Services Director David Gress attended a meeting with Wilson & Co. to review the status of the 58 Highway and Dean Avenue access management project.
- Code Enforcement Officer Drayton Vogel attended a training seminar hosted by the SAVE Coalition and the Missouri Association of Code Enforcement (MACE)
- The monthly development activity report for the month of March was [posted online](#).
- City Planner Dylan Eppert attended the Emerging Leader Academy program presented by University of Kansas Public Management Center.

Parks & Recreation

- Business Development Coordinator Candice Mangum and Recreation Coordinators Cecilia Walther and Corinne Harkins participated in a webinar titled "Designing Events for Sponsorship Success."
- Business Development Coordinator Candice Mangum and Recreation Coordinator Cecilia Walther met with Raising Cane's for potential partnership opportunities.
- Athletic Coordinator Nick Cook and Recreation Superintendent Todd Brennon met with the Raymore-Peculiar School district to discuss facility usage for youth athletic programs.
- Youth soccer and youth flag football games will be hosted at Recreation Park. Recreation Park will host 21 soccer games and 13 flag football games this Saturday.
- Six youth volleyball games will be held at Raymore Peculiar South Middle School.
- Recreation Coordinator Corinne Harkins hosted a Farmers Market vendor meeting at Centerview on Monday, April 1.
- Recreation Superintendent Todd Brennon scheduled an appointment with Commercial Aquatics to de-winterize the sprayground at T.B. Hanna Station.
- Parks and Recreation staff took part in an Easter Festival wrap up meeting.
- Parks maintenance secured the pergola at Ward Park with additional bracing.
- Parks maintenance began seasonal routine mowing in the parks.

- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen attended trainings for new agenda management software.
- Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Musteen and Parks Superintendent Steve Rulo met with contractors for a pre-bid meeting for a potential project at Johnston Lake in partnership with the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Police

- Lt. Cory Miller attended Metro Squad Training at the Kansas City Police Academy.
- Chief Jim Wilson and Capt. David Billings attended a retirement reception for Capt. Todd Burris at the Pleasant Hill Police Department.
- Detective Cochran attended the Cass County Intel meeting at the Cass County Sheriff's Office.
- Lt. Miller covered Investigations/Property/Evidence with the Citizens Police Academy.
- Chief Wilson attended the Belton Homelessness Committee meeting.
- Several members of the department worked on the CentralSquare buildout.

Public Works

Engineering

- Ward Road reconstruction has officially started. The street is closed to through traffic. Visit www.raymore.com/wardroad to learn more about the project, its timeline and to view a current detour map.
- Work has started on 163rd Street west of Madison Street.
- Bids were received for FY 2024 Curb Replacement and Street Preservation.



Operations and Maintenance

- 42 City Hall Work Orders
- 10 Driveway Inspections
- 4 Final ROW Inspections

- 251 Locates
- 26 Service Requests
- 3 Sewer Inspections
- 6 Sidewalk Inspections
- 5 Curb Inspections
- 6 Water Taps
- 4 Water Inspections
- Pothole patched
- IMSA continuing education training 3/25-3/26 and 3/28-3/29
- Water disconnections
- Water reconnections
- Completed miscellaneous water service requests
- Public Works group meetings 4/03
- Entered in backflow results for residents
- Tested backflows on city's hydrant meter
- Tested city backflows
- Continued maintenance for mowers and summer equipment
- Line locates for city street light project
- The crew repaired a major water main break at 58 Highway and S. Darrowby Drive.