

Weekly Report



Week of Jan. 30, 2017

Upcoming

- Looking for something fun and creative for the whole family?

Join artist Heather Gambrell and the Raymore Arts Commission for this month's **Family Art Day from 9:30-11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 11**. These family-friendly events invite you and your kids to create amazing artwork using a variety of mediums.



This month, make someone special a handmade Valentine Card. We will be using various techniques including printmaking, collage and watercolors to make unique, one-of-a-kind cards. We will also be making cards to give to some of our special senior citizens to brighten their day.

[Sign up your family online](#). Fee is only \$5.

All classes will be held at the Park House, 909 S. Madison.

Administration

- City Manager Jim Feuerborn, City Attorney Jonathan Zerr and Chief Jan Zimmerman met with Municipal Court Judge Ross Nigro to discuss changes in court personnel and procedures.
- Communications Manager Mike Ekey met with Community Liaison Specialist John Mayfield from Independence to discuss a variety of issues around community relations and communications. Independence is looking for new ways to track and manage resident concerns when it comes to codes enforcement and codes violations. The meeting also focused on how Raymore is using video and social media to share updates on City development projects such as Centerview and the upcoming Recreation Activity Center. To learn more about these projects, visit www.Raymore.com/BondProjects.
- Graphic Design Assistant Meghan Duane met with Recreation Superintendent John McLain to develop a new strategy and materials that will assist the Parks & Recreation Department build on the number of sponsors who support the department's programming.

Community Development

- Associate Planner David Gress attended the Mid-America Regional Council Scenario Planning Workshop at the Kauffman Foundation.
- Department staff initiated a [rezoning](#) of the city block that contains T.B. Hanna Station Park, located between Olive, Maple, Adams and Washington streets. The rezoning from its current residential and commercial zoning designation to the Parks, Recreation and Public Use district designation will allow for future park improvements to be made. A Good Neighbor meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 8, in the City Council Chambers.
- The Planning & Zoning Commission will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 7, to discuss the status of work on the Communities for All Ages master plan.
- Director Jim Cadoret, GIS Coordinator Heather Eisenbarth, Chief Jan Zimmerman, Capt. Roger Mayberry, and Communications Supervisor Starlith McAdams met with representatives of the U.S. Postal Service to discuss the overlap areas of Zip Code boundaries and the City Limit boundary.
- Derek and Pamela Mills filed a [request to vacate](#) a portion of an easement on the undeveloped lot they own at 1214 Kingsland Circle (Edgewater Lot #37) in Creekmoor. The reduction of the easement width from 25 feet to 20 feet will allow for the property owner to construct a home on the lot. City Council will consider the request at its Feb. 27 meeting.

Parks & Recreation

- Recreation staff worked with Challenger Sports to schedule a competitive trainer for the Raymore United Soccer Club and promote their youth soccer camps offered at Recreation Park during the summer.
- Recreation Coordinator Jerri Keith contacted local vendors, sponsors and volunteers regarding Friday Food Fest, Easter Festival and Touch-A-Truck events.
- Recreation staff contacted local colleges and universities about posting seasonal and camp job openings.
- Staff held a pre-bid meeting and site walk-through on Monday and Tuesday for the loop trail and ADA-accessible baseball field projects at Memorial Park.
- Staff opened bids on Thursday for the Fourth of July fireworks display contract.
- Park staff received the new Disc Golf Course signage and sign posts, installation will begin Feb. 6.
- The City Council and Parks & Recreation Board held a joint meeting on Monday, Jan. 30. The meeting gave both groups the opportunity to discuss the proposed designs for the Hawk Ridge Park improvements and the future management of the Raymore Cemetery.

Police

- Emergency Management Coordinator Ryan Murdock participated in the Integrated Warning Team meeting at the Mid America Regional Council and discussed plans for the upcoming workshop.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman attended the Mid-America Regional Council Scenario Planning Workshop at the Kauffman Foundation.
- Lt. Steve Donahoe attended training on dispatch radio consoles at Kansas City Police Department headquarters downtown.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated in the Regional Homeland Security Complex Coordinated Terrorist Attack grant preparation work group meeting at the Mid-America Regional Council.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman (President) conducted the Metro Chiefs and Sheriff's meeting at Argosy Casino. A presentation on changes in police use of force was given by Kansas City Police Department Capt. Charles Huth, an internationally recognized expert on use of force issues.
- Lt. Aly Abdelgawad attended the Cass County Regional Police Academy Steering Committee meeting as a new member. The group discussed the recent academy activities, continuing education and upcoming training that will be hosted by the academy.
- Chief Jan Zimmerman participated as a member of the board of the Greater Kansas City Public Safety Credit Union in Kansas City.

Public Works

- Public Works staff addressed a drainage problem in the Recreation Park sidewalk near the football field. Weather permitting replacement of the sidewalk is scheduled for next week.
- A request for qualifications was issued for design services associated with the replacement of the bridge on 155th Street east of Madison Street.