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**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETINGS:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month, 7 p.m. at City Hall, unless otherwise posted; live streaming available on the City's web site at raytown.mo.us; live and replays on RayTV, Channel 7 and GoogleTV Channel 145; indexed meetings available on web for past meetings.

**CITY OFFICE HOURS:** Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**MAIN PHONE NUMBER:** 816-737-6000



I want to say how proud I am to be the mayor of this wonderful City. It is a great honor to serve the community that I have lived in almost all of my life. Thank you for trusting me to lead Raytown. I appreciate what we all do, not just in certain circumstances or on special holidays, but every single day.

Despite many challenges (labor shortage, budget constraints and more), we have continued to move forward with projects

to improve our roads and infrastructure as best we can with what we are given. We've all had to get creative in how we function and do business. Improvements to our sanitary sewer system continue in efforts to cut down the infiltration of rainwater into our sanitary sewer system. Eventually, the work on our sanitary sewer system will result in lower sewer bills for Raytown property owners and customers.

While a majority of Raytown voters did vote YES on the two bonds questions, I am disappointed that the City did not receive the 4/7ths majority vote required by law. Because so many residents voted yes in the last election, the majority of the Board of Aldermen decided to place the two bond questions back on the ballot, but at a reduced amount for road improvements. On November 8, 2022, Raytown voters will be asked if they want to approve \$30 million in bonds for road improvements and \$7.2 million in bonds for storm sewer improvements. Our infrastructure is in dire need of improvements and the approval of these two bond questions would provide the resources to allow the City to start addressing the long overdue improvements. If the two bond questions pass and before bonds funds would be drawn, City staff will bring specific project scopes to the Board of Aldermen for their final approval. Please remember to vote on November 8th, 2022.

On a lighter note, the Raytown Live free music series was a success again this year! It was so wonderful to see families and neighbors gathered on the green space at 62nd and Raytown Road listening to free music and enjoying each other's company. Great times and great music with great people. Thank you for being there.

I wish to officially welcome to the Raytown School District, the new Superintendent, Dr. Penelope Martin-Knox. She is a resolute, long-time educator and believes, as I do, in the community working together idea. Welcome Dr. Knox to wonderful Raytown, Missouri.

As always, I encourage everyone to enjoy the trails, parks, and other amenities that our small town, in the middle of a flourishing metropolitan area, has to offer. Remember, help one another. Be part of the solution, not the problem and always be kind. We need that now more than ever. Peace!

God Bless you all,

Mayor Mike McDonough

# OFFICER HIRING INCENTIVE

**\$8,000 for POST certified officers; \$3,000 for new officers**

## NOW HIRING



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816-737-6105

# DISPATCH HIRING INCENTIVE - \$3,000 -

# DETENTION HIRING INCENTIVE - \$1,500 -

# Staff Highlights

The City of Raytown's staff make the City's service to the community a reality. Congratulations to our award-winning staff members on their recent honors and their remarkable years of service.

## NEW EMPLOYEES

We welcome the following new employees:

- **Dee Middleton**, Community Development
- **Diane Egger**, Community Development
- **Tonya Alderson**, Public Works
- **Chase Cochran**, Parks & Rec
- **Josie Clark**, Police
- **Andrew Buxton**, Parks & Rec
- **Sandon Curnett**, Police
- **Andrea Edmunds**, Police

## PROMOTIONS

Congratulations to the following staff who have been promoted:

- **John Bales**
- **Jared Rogers**
- **Joe Wise**
- **Jeff Peterman**
- **Darrian Demery**
- **Thomas Ballieu**
- **Jaden Thomas**
- **Michael Leger**
- **Mackenzie Pavlicek**
- **Michele Anderson**

## RETIREMENTS



KATHY MAYHEW

- **Capt. Michelle Rogers**, 32.6 years of service.
- **Kathy Mayhew**, 5 years with City, 20 years with Mid-America Regional Council.
- **Brian Holt**, 14 years of service.



BRIAN HOLT

## MILESTONES

There are 53 staff members who have 5 or more years of service with the City. Here are the Milestone Anniversaries:

- **Brad Schwarz**, 35 years
- **Andy Boyd**, 34 years
- **Jared Rogers**, 20 years
- **Nathan Brand**, 15 years
- **Larry Jackson**, 10 years
- **Tom Greer**, 10 years
- **Michael Stolzle**, 5 years
- **Missy Wilson**, 5 years
- **Damon Hodges**, 5 years
- **Brandon Meyer**, 5 years
- **Deb Gorman**, 5 years



SPOTLIGHT



**Andy Boyd celebrated his 34th anniversary with the City of Raytown this past July.**

His first job with the City was in 1988 as animal control/health inspector. He held that position for 10 years. And for the past almost quarter of a century he has held the position of building inspector.

As a building inspector, Boyd inspects and reviews plans for residential projects and commercial developments that include framing, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical inspections.

A tip for homeowners: When in doubt ask. Call the City before doing any work on your property or business.

"The most challenging part of my job is trying to apply current building codes to buildings that are 70 plus years old," he said. Although manageable, another challenge he says is switching hats between being a civil servant and a Raytown homeowner.

Boyd's positive attitude and high energy meld well for his position. He endeavors to treat everyone fairly with kindness, compassion and consistency. He said he also attempts to go the extra mile and exceed expectations.

Boyd said retirement is in his near future. For anyone interested in this type of career, Boyd suggests being knowledgeable in every aspect of construction: management, budgets, administration, legal, electrical, mechanical, etc. Boyd has more than 13 certifications from the International Code Council. Other skills needed include being detail oriented, tech savvy and having integrity.

# Sewer Q&A

## Why is sewer separate from your water bill?

**A:** The City of Raytown does not own the water rights in Raytown. Two water companies service Raytown: privately owned Raytown Water Company and Jackson County Public Water Supply District No. 2. The City uses water readings from both water companies to bill for your sewer usage.

## What is the difference between water and sewer?

**A:** Water usage is the water coming into the home, simply put the water you use (cooking, drinking, showers, etc.). Sewer or wastewater is the water that goes down the drain. Billing for both is based upon usage.

## Why is my sewer bill higher than my water bill?

**A:** Across the country, typically sewer bills tend to be higher than the water bills. Water treatment costs have risen on average 5% each year. As environmental regulations have become more stringent, the costs of treating water along with the City's aging sewer infrastructure can substantially raise costs.

## Why do we bill on a Winter Average?

**A:** A majority of cities bill sewer based on a winter average. This method stabilizes your sewer rate throughout the year. A benefit of winter averaging is that summer activities like filling swimming pools, washing cars, and watering grass no longer impact your sewer usage. Winter average is determined by averaging the November-February water reads and bills sewer out for the year based on that average.

## Why is sewer billed two months in the past?

**A:** Two separate water companies service Raytown: one bills every month and the other bills every other month. Raytown must bill sewer two months in the past to accurately reflect water reads.

## How can I check the balance of my sewer account?

**A:** The City uses a third party for online sewer payments. This service accepts payments online or by phone (IVR) and will provide your sewer balance. Online access can be found at [www.municipalonlinepayments.com/raytownmo/utilities](http://www.municipalonlinepayments.com/raytownmo/utilities) or 833-743-9224.

## Pay for Year Discount

Customers who pay for the year in full receive a **3.6% discount** on their residential sewer bills. The best time to complete this process is November when winter averaging goes into effect.



## Auto Draft

Sign up on our website, [raytown.mo.us](http://raytown.mo.us). The form can be found under "Residents." Click on "Sewer Automatic Draft Payment Form." The form may also be submitted in person at the Sewer window inside City Hall (10000 E. 59th Street). Payments will debit from your bank account on the 10th of every month. There is no charge for this service. You can cancel at any time.

## Circuit Breaker

To qualifying seniors or disabled persons, we offer a 25% credit on sewer bills known as a Circuit Breaker for Raytown Residents who rent or own their home. Commercial Accounts do not qualify. For more information, please call 816-737-6088.

## Assistance Programs

Customers having difficulty paying their bill may contact:

- Raytown Emergency Assistance Program at 816-356-0054 or online at [raytownreap.org](http://raytownreap.org).
- Hope Network 816-778-1105
- State Assistance for Housing Relief (SAFHR) for Renters 855-908-6120 email: [mo.safhr@mhdhc.com](mailto:mo.safhr@mhdhc.com)

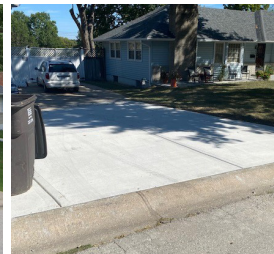
# Habitat Homes

The City has again partnered with the Truman Heritage Habitat for Humanity to assist 5 Raytown homeowners with minor home repairs. This year we have utilized \$25,000 in grant funds for driveway repairs, a dangerous tree removal and house painting. This is the second year the City has had a waiting list.

## BEFORE



## AFTER



## Submit Code Complaints Online

**Starting early 2023, residents will be able to submit property maintenance violation complaints online through the City's website.**

This easy-to-use form will be accessed at [raytown.mo.us](http://raytown.mo.us), on the Community Development page, click on the icon "online form" and enter the pertinent information. This is an additional option to submit property maintenance, weeds/tall grass, and abandoned vehicle violations. Residents may still submit by phone, 816-737-6014, and in person at City Hall between 8-5 p.m. Monday – Friday.

# GO Bond Questions Address Raytown's Roads and Storm Sewer System

## Ballot Questions



### QUESTION 1

"Shall the City of Raytown, Missouri, issue its general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed \$30,000,000.00 to acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend and improve the City's streets, roads, bridges and sidewalks?"

The authorization of the bonds will authorize the City to maintain tangible property tax rates sufficient to pay the interest and principal on the bonds until fully paid.

#### What this means:

If Question 1 passes, the taxpayers are giving the City permission to set temporary increases to the City's property tax rates. The bond revenue generated will allow the City to improve more streets and necessary infrastructure only.



### QUESTION 2

"Shall the City of Raytown, Missouri issue its general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed \$7,200,000.00 to acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend and improve the City's storm sewer system?"

The authorization of the bonds will authorize the City to maintain tangible property tax rates sufficient to pay the interest and principal on the bonds until fully paid.

#### What this means:

If Question 2 passes, the taxpayers are giving Raytown permission to set temporary increases to the City's property tax rates. The bond revenue generated by these increases will allow the City to complete more work on storm drains, storm pipes and related infrastructure.

### What is a General Obligation (GO) Bond?

- General Obligation Bonds, often called GO Bonds, are municipal bonds that provide a way for state and local governments to raise money for capital projects.
- Cities may not generate a large enough revenue stream to pay for certain projects. GO Bonds are an option used by cities to raise funds to pay for qualified projects.
- GO Bonds are backed by the City's ability to tax and temporarily raise taxes if necessary, in order to pay bondholders.

The City is legally required to spend the money on the specified infrastructure mentioned in the ballot question.

### How long will the general bond issue last on my property taxes?

In accordance with Section 26(f) of the Missouri Constitution and Section 95.135 RSMo, the final maturity of an issue of general obligation bonds must be no later than 20 years from the date of their issuance.

## QUESTION 1 | Roads

Based upon the City's current budget, the City can only address about 1 percent of road improvements annually. At the current rate, it will take an estimated 40 years to complete all improvements and repairs needed.



City maintains Raytown's

# 331 lane miles

of streets.

# \$30 million



of GO Bond funding will be used to improve, repair, reconstruct, and expand the Raytown streets, roads, bridges, curbs, and sidewalks.

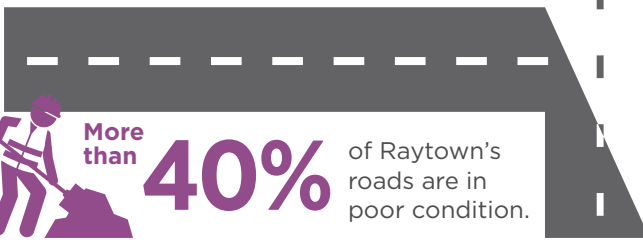


In past 5 years, the City spent

# \$2.26 million



on roadway maintenance projects, which only addressed about 3% of roadway repairs needed.



More than

# 40%

of Raytown's roads are in poor condition.

## QUESTION 2 | Storm Sewers

Improvements to our system aid in public safety and transportation.



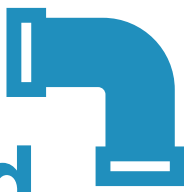
# \$7.2 million

of GO Bond funding will be used to build, repair, modernize, and improve drains, pipes, and other necessary parts of Raytown's storm sewer system.

The city's storm sewer system is more than

# 40 years old.

The average life expectancy is 20 years.



From 2018 to 2022, the City spent more than

# \$1.2 million

on stormwater projects.



Current actual tax bill for Raytown homeowner

JACKSON COUNTY MARKET VALUE

\$166,000

TOTAL TAX BILL

\$2,977.16

AMOUNT PAID TO CITY OF RAYTOWN

\$150.28

PROPERTY TAXES HAVE NOT INCREASED SINCE

1978



## Public Works participates in Career Day at Southwood Elementary

**Our PW crew spoke to about 200 students about careers this past Spring.** Career Day returned this past Spring after a COVID hiatus. PW participated along with 30 other local businesses to discuss careers with the students. “The best part of my job is serving our residents,” said Vern Fowler.

# Right-of-Way Q&A

### Q: What is a Right-Of-Way (ROW)?

A: Generally, the ROW is the area on, below or above the present and future city streets, alleys, bridges, bikeways, parkways and sidewalks. Sometimes ROW widths may differ from street to street and there are times that ROW lines are located several feet behind the sidewalk or curb.

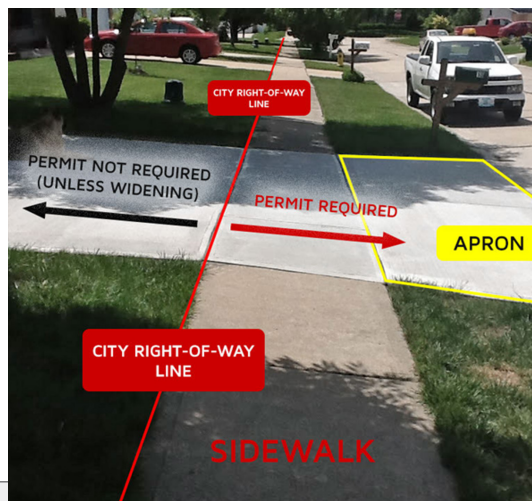
### Q: Why do I need a permit to work in the ROW?

A: A ROW permit gives you legal access to work within a city-owned ROW or easement. A permit ensures that work is done safely and meets codes and regulations. Examples of items that require a ROW permit include: sidewalks, curb, driveway approach, greenspace and pavement.

### Q: How do I obtain a permit and additional permit information?

A: Three ways to obtain a permit and permit info:

- 1: call 816-737-6012
- 2: In person at City Hall - Public Works window, 10000 E. 59th Street, M-F 8-5 p.m.
3. Visit the City's website, [raytown.mo.us/publicworks/engineeringdivision](http://raytown.mo.us/publicworks/engineeringdivision) to download permit application and find permit information.



## Winter Weather Maintenance

**Most people don't think about snow removal until a storm hits; however, the City of Raytown's Public Works Department plans year-round for winter weather maintenance operations.**

### What is a winter weather event?

- Freezing Rain • Sleet • Snow

### How does the City prepare?

- Ensures equipment is in safe working condition.
- Keep a well-trained and ready workforce.
- Maintain stockpiles of salt and beet juice.
- Monitor weather conditions.

The City owns and operates 10 snowplows to maintain approximately 331 lane miles of streets in Raytown. Annually, Public Works uses the competitive bid process to purchase salt to keep on hand for winter maintenance operations. In addition to salt, the City uses beet juice to treat the streets. When mixed with salt, beet juice holds the salt crystals on the streets longer. Furthermore, it is organic, reduces corrosion and is kinder to concrete and metal.

**DID YOU KNOW?** During an average 24-hour period with 2-4 inches of snowfall, it takes approximately 18 crew members and 160 man-hours to treat and plow our City streets. Major arterials and collector streets which lead to highways are always the priority in snow removal.

### What can citizens do during a winter weather event?

- Be patient.
- Prioritize vehicle trips.
- Park off street to better help our crews clear the road.
- Call 816-737-6010 for winter weather events.

Questions? Email: [snowoperations@raytown.mo.us](mailto:snowoperations@raytown.mo.us)



## Clean-Up Coupons can help with Fall Organization Projects

**For many, the arrival of fall is a reminder to tackle household organization projects such as tidying up the yard, attic, basement or garage.**

These projects often involve the removal and disposal of many unsightly and even potentially dangerous materials. Unfortunately, too often these items are left to accumulate in yards. Junk and trash can become a nuisance and pose serious hazards for a community if not disposed of properly. Not only is it unsightly, but it can also harbor vermin such as rats and provide breeding grounds for mosquitoes, both of which can carry disease.

Potential leaking chemicals, such as oils and paints that are absorbed into the ground can cause pollution and damage groundwater. These problems can also negatively affect neighboring property values. So, please make sure your trash is disposed of properly to keep our neighborhoods clean.

The Public Works Department offers clean-up coupons that may be used for bulky item pick up through GFL or Missouri Organic Recycling (yard waste only).

Local officials can address junk in the City through the local Property Maintenance Codes which prohibit the storage of junk and trash outdoors. These ordinances also provide for ordinance enforcement through citations, fines and abatement.

For questions or concerns, please call the City of Raytown, Community Development Department at 816-737-6014.

### DON'T FORGET Your Clean-Up Coupon

**\$5 for \$25**  
VOUCHERS

Got some junk you want to get rid of? Finished all that yard work with no place to put your organic waste? Raytown's Public Works Department has got you covered through their Clean-Up Coupon program. Citizens may come into City Hall and pay **\$5 for a coupon worth \$25** that allows them to take a variety of waste products to one of two different facilities. There's a limit of 4 coupons per household per year. Each coupon expires after 60 days from issue.

For more information on the Clean-Up Coupon Program, visit us at [www.raytown.mo.us](http://www.raytown.mo.us) or call the Public Works Department at 816-737-6012.

## Don't Blow it or Rake it into the Street!



**Keep grass clippings and yard waste in the yard...not in the street**

Blowing or leaving grass clippings and other debris in the street during yard maintenance doesn't just look bad, it's illegal. Although the act of using a leaf blower isn't a violation, the act of blowing or leaving yard trimmings and similar material in the street is a violation. The City of Raytown considers these acts to be a Municipal Code Violation; therefore code enforcement officers, and possibly police officers, can issue citations to mowing contractors, lawn maintenance companies, and homeowners who fail to properly collect and dispose of this material.

**WHY?** Besides being a Municipal Code Violation, yard waste can also clog the City's stormwater drainage system. When drains are clogged with yard debris, stormwater can back up and flood homes, property, and roadways.

**WHY?** Piles of leaves can be dangerous. Vehicles may swerve out of their lane to avoid leaf piles. Bicycles can be forced out of bike lanes and into traffic.

**WHY?** Debris left in the street will eventually make its way to a stream. Yard waste in a local waterway depletes the oxygen level in the water, which is harmful to aquatic life. Improperly applied chemical fertilizers, as well as organic amendments, used on the lawn also wash down the storm drain and negatively impact aquatic life.

### What to do with all of the leaves and clippings?

- Blow grass clippings and leaves back onto the lawn.
- Use leaves around the yard as mulch and compost.
- Bag your leaves and have a private company pick them up.
- Take your leaves to a commercial recycler.

The City of Raytown does have a voucher to help offset the cost of this disposal fee. To find out more information about this Clean-Up Coupon, call the Public Works department at 816-737-6012.



## Missouri Department of Conservation Awards Raytown Parks & Rec \$10,000

Earlier this year, the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) awarded Raytown Parks & Recreation with a \$10,000 Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (TRIM) grant. The City of Raytown was one of more than 40 Missouri municipalities awarded a 75-25% matching grant for the care of trees in public spaces. Parks maintenance staff lead by Tony Mesa applied for the grant in July 2021 for \$13,350 of work. The application was approved. Parks staff started work in November 2021 and completed the work four months later. A total of 14 trees were removed. Replacement trees were planted within proximity of the those that were removed.

# Kenagy Tennis Court Gets Renovation



**This 2020 Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) grant application was submitted in February 2020 and approved November 2021.** From February to June 2022, construction occurred on the new post tension concrete tennis courts, which opened to the public in July. Total project costs were \$448,972, with the LWCF grant program paying 50% or \$224,486. McConnell & Associates was the contractor who won the bid, and the remaining work was completed by Raytown Parks' maintenance staff. The tennis courts were last renovated in 1996. The Park Board renamed this facility the R. Fowler Tennis Courts, in honor of long-time employee Ron Fowler.

## New Playground for Kenagy Park

A new Athco playground was installed in May and June since the park was already under construction with the tennis court project. The removal of the concrete pad and playground equipment, as well as the installation of the new playground made this a \$90,000 project.



Parks applied for the 2023 TRIM grant this past July and was awarded another 75-25% matching grant. This project will start this November and is expected to be completed by March 2023.



## Raytown Parks Offers Sports and Other Programs

In partnership with the Raytown C-2 School District, our Parks Dept offers **youth basketball** for students K-6. Practices start in November and games are played December through February. Partial scholarships are offered through the Raytown Educational Foundation.

**50+ Softball** has been a long-standing program on weeknights in Colman Park. Parks has been hosting 50+ leagues since 1996. Raytown was the first location in the KC Metro area to host these leagues.

**Tennis programs** run in the spring, summer, and fall. Adult leagues run 10 weeks and youth and adult lessons run for 5 weeks each with several sessions available.

Other free community events hosted by Raytown Parks include **Kids Day at Kenagy** with support from the Raytown Fire and Police departments along with Connection Point Church, who provided the games. The **Raytown Fishing Derby** at Kenagy Park is sponsored by the Raytown Three Trails Kiwanis Club. Parks staff also supports the **Mayor's Christmas tree lighting ceremony**, which is held the first Friday in December.

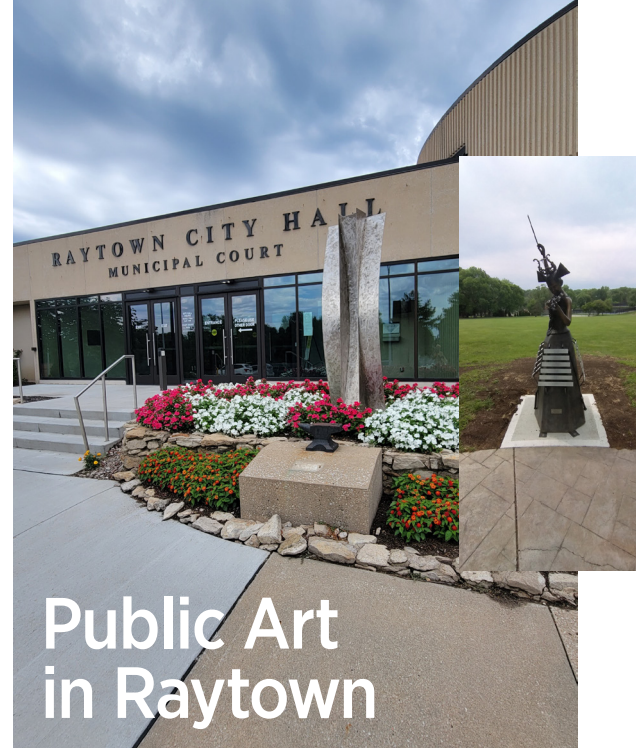
### Raytown Live Community Concerts

The Raytown Parks staff in collaboration with the Mayor's Ad Hoc committee hosted five Raytown Live concerts on the Green Space the second Saturday of each month from May to September.

This year more than \$12,000 in sponsorship funds were raised. These free concerts include local musicians, food trucks, and children's games. This is a community wide event that is organized and staffed by the Mayor, Parks staff, the Chamber of Commerce, the Main Street Association, Park Board members, and other citizen volunteers.

### Festival of the Trails

The 2022 Festival of the Trails returned on September 10 at the Rice-Tremonti home as the main location. Historical reenactors, the Buffalo Soldiers, music, food, craft vendors, as well as kids' games and attractions filled the day-long celebration. The Raytown CERT team provided traffic control and public safety for the hundreds of festival attendees.



## Public Art in Raytown

In 2022, Raytown Parks chose two new public art pieces through the Creative Communities Alliance program. On lease, the sculptures are now on display, one in front of City Hall "Cohesive Narration," and "Muse-IC," installed near the Peace Plaza Memorial in Colman Park. These sculptures will be on display in Raytown until May 2024.

### Future Funding Opportunities

Raytown Parks staff have applied for additional funding through the 2022 Land Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) program for a total project cost of \$1 million, and reimbursement at 50%. This project would begin the redevelopment of the 10-acre 53rd Street property. Award notification is expected in late 2022.

The Parks Department has also applied for Omnibus funds for a total of \$3 million to be used to complete phase 2 of the 53rd Street development with a dog park, ADA accessible playground, restrooms, and a shelter house. The Kenagy Park pond dredging, and reconstruction to redevelop the pond bank is also included in this funding application. Parks was selected out of 71 other applications to be funded by Congressman Cleaver and has been approved by the appropriation committee of the U.S. House of Representatives and is now waiting for Senate approval. If approved, the project would be 100% federally funded. No City match would be required.

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## Calendar

*For more information about city events, click on Calendar of Events at [raytown.mo.us](http://raytown.mo.us).*

### NOVEMBER

- 1 Board of Aldermen meeting
- 6 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 8 Election
- 9 Municipal Court
- 14 Municipal Court
- 15 Board of Aldermen meeting
- 16 Municipal Court
- 24 Thanksgiving - City Hall Closed
- 25 City Hall Closed

### DECEMBER

- 2 Mayor's Tree lighting
- 5 Municipal Court
- 6 Board of Aldermen meeting
- 7 Municipal Court
- 20 Board of Aldermen meeting
- 23 Christmas Holiday - City Hall Closed
- 26 City Hall Closed

### JANUARY

- 2 New Year's Day Observed - City Hall Closed
- 3 Board of Aldermen meeting
- 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - City Hall Closed