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Rendering Draft Of City Square Park

A rendering of the new City Square Park at Cherry and Cedar, designed by Chiodini Architects of St. Louis, has been completed (see photo above). Final decisions on the park equipment are now underway, and fundraising efforts continue to move forward.

Funding is already secured for the design work, wall stabilization (currently in progress), and portions of the property's foundation work. Plans also include adding at least one large mural to the two blank walls shown in the rendering.

The park will feature a bandstand and comfortable seating areas for relaxing, gathering with co-workers, friends and family, as well as hosting small outdoor events. This new city park will be a welcoming destination for the entire community.



Fiscal Year 2022 Audit Ready For Council Presentation

MEMORANDUM

To: Gary Edwards, City Manager
From: Mary Wilson, Executive Assistant
Date: November 6, 2025
Subject: FEMA Disaster Declaration Update – April 2 Tornado

On Thursday, November 6, Taylor McKlentic and I met with FEMA to review the current status of the City’s disaster declaration for the April 2 tornado.

The City of Nevada’s Category E (Buildings and Equipment) project has been obligated, meaning FEMA has released the funds to the State. We are now just waiting for the State to release those funds to the City.

The City’s Category A (Debris Removal) and Category B (Emergency Protective Measures) projects are pending final review for award. Our FEMA representative is hopeful that all remaining projects will be approved and obligated within the next two weeks.

Once all projects are finalized, the City will submit Category Z (Administrative Costs) for reimbursement. This category covers 5% of the total combined project costs.

A breakdown of the approximate project payouts is below:

FEMA DR # / Category	Description	FEMA	SEMA	Total Award
DR4872 (959596)	Building (Parks)	\$25,589.79	\$1,705.99	\$27,295.78
DR4872 (959314)	Debris Removal	\$53,811.06	\$3,587.40	\$57,398.46
DR4872 (959701)	Emergency Protective Measures	\$16,215.62	\$1,081.04	\$17,296.66
DR4872 Category Z	Administrative Costs (5%)	\$6,374.43	—	\$6,374.43
Totals		\$101,990.90	\$6,374.43	\$108,365.33

Since January, the City has been working to complete the long-overdue audits for FY21, FY22, and FY23. Audits for FY21 and FY22 are now complete. The FY22 audit was finalized in late November and is expected to be presented to the City Council at one of the regular December meetings. The FY23 audit is nearing completion.



Mayor Branham Speaks At “Lights At The Lake” Ceremony”

During the 28th annual “Lights at the Lake” Ceremony Mayor Branham thanked the Parks Department for the great job of producing the holiday event. She also thanked the community for its support. The traditional event was held Wednesday, November 26th at Radio Springs Lake.

City Ready To Request Proposals For Aquatic Center

The only factor that has delayed progress on the Nevada Aquatic Center over the past several years has been the incomplete audits for FY21, FY22, and FY23. With the FY21 and FY22 audits now finalized—and FY23 nearing completion—the City is moving forward by issuing “Requests for Qualifications” to potential builders. A contractor will be selected from the proposals submitted to the City.



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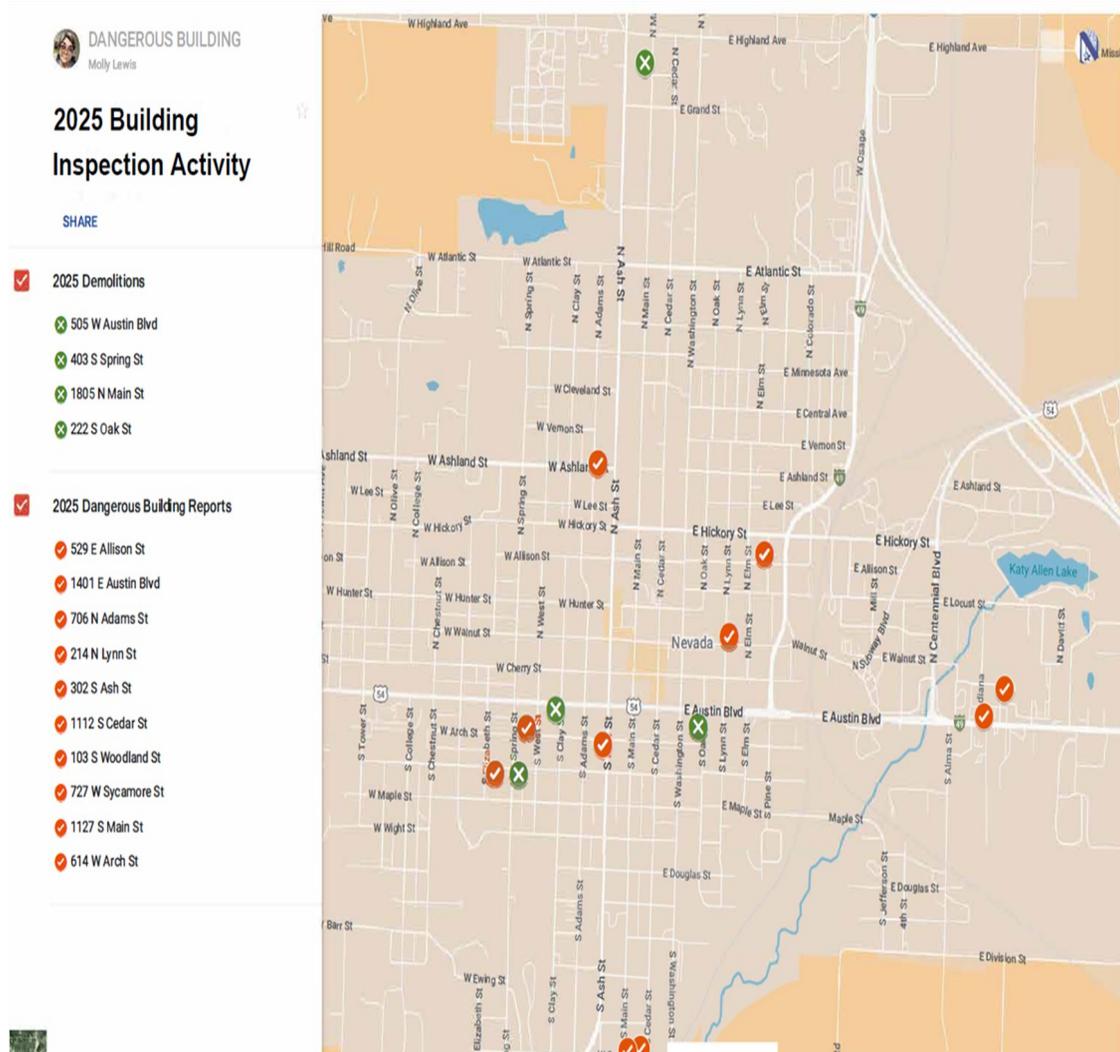
PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Nevada, Missouri will hold a General Election on April 7, 2026.

This election is to fill two (2) City Council Seats.

Three Candidates have filed:

Carol Branham
Sim Miller
Jayne Novak



2025 Included Multiple Demolitions and Dangerous Building Determinations

The Planning and Zoning Department is responsible for building inspections. In 2025, the department identified 10 dangerous buildings in Nevada, shown as red dots on the map above. The department also oversaw four building demolitions this year, with a fifth expected before year-end; these are shown as green dots. Each of the demolished began as dangerous structures.

Before any structure can be demolished, it must go through a specific, legally required process that is highly detailed and often lengthy.



Loose Leaf Collection Notice

The City Public Works Department will begin loose leaf collection on Monday, December 1, 2025, starting in the southwest section, then moving to the northwest, northeast, and southeast. Streets running north–south will be collected first in each area. Once the first round is complete, crews will make a second pass.

Reminders:

- Rake leaves into open areas within 6 feet of the curb, but not into the street.
- Remove sticks, rocks, and debris—they can damage equipment.
- Avoid placing piles near mailboxes, fire hydrants, signs, or parked cars.
- Do not bag leaves—bagged leaves will not be collected.
- Do not park in front of leaf piles; blocked piles will be skipped.