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Construction Of The City Square Development Project Has Started

The long-awaited construction work for the City Square Development project at Cherry and Cedar is underway. Now that the demolition is complete, work has started on the exposed north wall (see above pics) and the exposed east wall. More specifically, 111 E. Cherry and 108 N. Cedar. Doing the work is Mid-Continental Restoration of Ft. Scott, KS. Design of this attractive city square project is in its final stages. When the design is complete, we will have a more accurate rendering of what the completed project will look like.

This project essentially will be a pocket park with sitting areas, a small bandstand for music events and a location for food trucks. The small park will contribute to a more attractive and useful city square.



Updated City Budget Schedule

City of Nevada, Missouri

FY 2026 Budget Preparation Calendar

July 2025

- July 21 (Mon) Distribute budget materials to departments
 - o Budget worksheet instructions
 - o Capital improvement plan spreadsheet
 - o Purchase requests form
 - o Personnel request forms

August 2025

- August 8 (Fri) Budget documents due to budget team
- August 22- Strategic planning session w/ council, dept. heads and public

September 2025

- September 22-26 (Mon-Fri) Individual department meetings w/ budget team

October 2025

- October 2- Budget team CIP plan review
- October 14- CIP plan to Planning Commission for review
- October 15- Publish Nov. 4th hearing to run on Saturday October 18th
- October 14-31- Budget team reviewing rough draft, making cuts and holding department meetings as needed
- October 31- 1st rough draft complete (summary sheet)

November 2025

- November 4- Public Hearing on 1st rough draft
- November 5-14- Budget team reviewing budget and making changes as necessary after public hearing
- November 12- Publish Dec. 2 public hearing to run on Saturday Nov. 15
- November 14- Final rough draft complete (summary sheet)
- November 18- 2025 Budget amendment to council

December 2025

- December 2- Public hearing and first read on final budget draft
- December 16- Second read on final budget draft

Water Plant Renovation Financing Takes Significant Steps Forward

Last November the City was officially notified by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that the water treatment plant renovation project had been added to DNR's "Intended Use Plan". Later, DNR discussed potential funding opportunities with the city. More specifically, there are two potential grants: a disadvantaged Community grant for up to \$2.5 million and a \$15 million Emerging Contaminant grant.

In January of this year, city staff worked with Allgeier-Martin engineers and a consulting company called KIMHEC to complete and submit the state loan application documentation.

About two weeks ago, on October 15th, the Safe Drinking Water Commission placed the City Water Treatment Plant project on the Fiscal year 2026 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan (DWSRF). The project is listed on the fundable list for a loan of about \$6,442,795 and a grant amount of \$12,500,000.

A local citizen sent the City this 1972 postcard of Cottey College!



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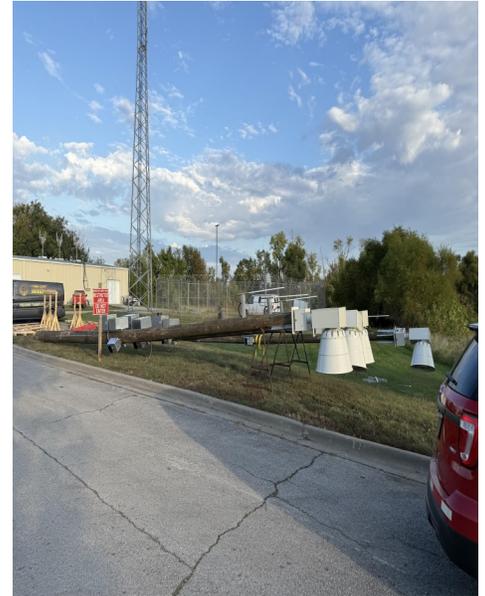
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City Council Filings Are Closed

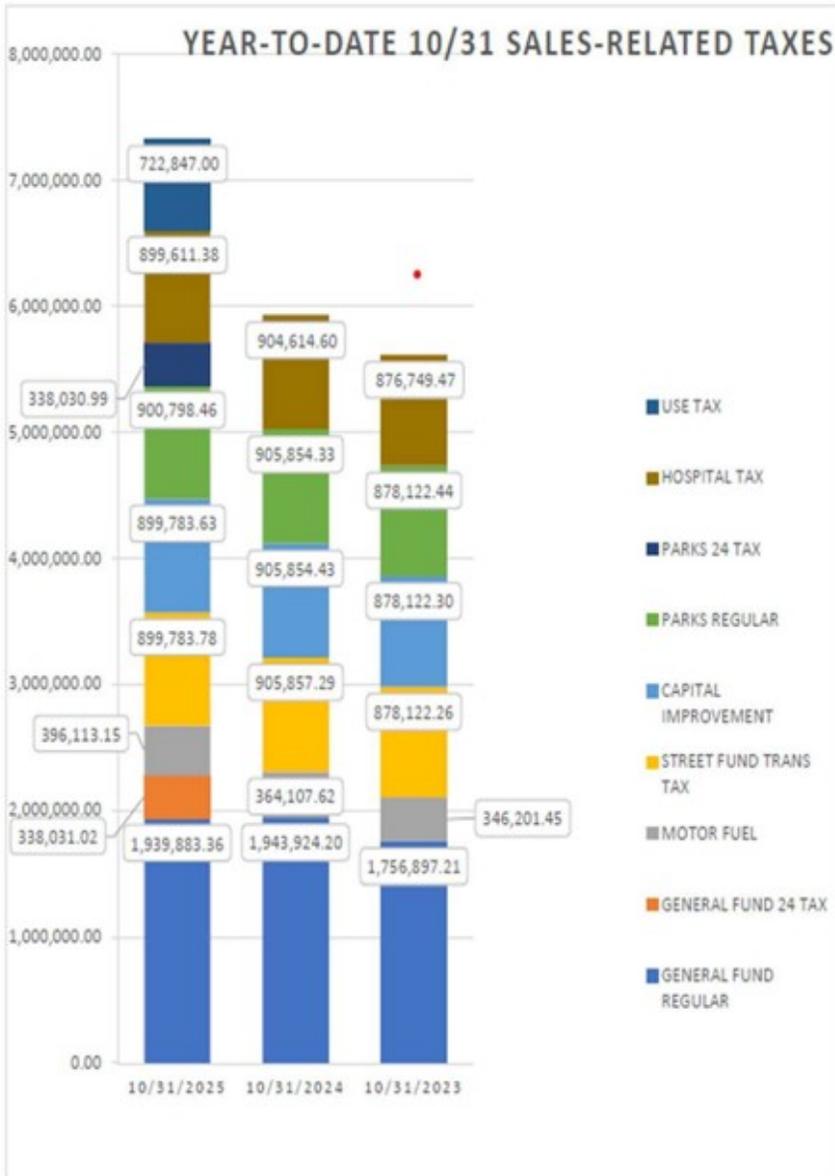
Filings for open city council seats closed on Tuesday October 28th. There are three candidates for two open council seats. They are: Carol Branham; Sim Miller and Jayne Novak.



Yay! New Storm Sirens Are Installed And Working

Earlier this year, the Nevada Emergency Management Director gave a presentation to the City Council in which he explained the poor quality of our storm sirens. This problem came to light during an April tornado that swept through Nevada. The sirens have been in sub-standard condition for years. A few didn't work and several presented a weak sound. Earlier this year, the City Council approved new sirens being ordered. They arrived several weeks ago and in October they were installed. All are now installed and working. The old sirens are in the process of being removed. Some nearby small cities are interested in purchasing our old sirens.

The City Tax Update below was prepared by City Treasurer, Bill Denman



Sales tax receipts show promising signs of recovery in September and October. Comparable taxes are up 8.3% in September from 2024, 7.5% in October. The YTD cumulative decline through October is now down only 0.7%.

General fund regular	2025	2024
SEPTEMBER	191,847.31	\$ 177,159.00
OCTOBER	187,478.77	\$ 174,393.65