



## City Administrator's Report

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April 16, 2026

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### **Sergeant Trevor Ballard**

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Trevor Ballard to the position of sergeant effective April 19. Trevor has been with the SPD since January of 2025. Typically new sergeant pinning occurs at a Board of Aldermen meeting, however due to scheduling conflicts, the pinning will occur on Friday, May 1 at 4:00 p.m. Congratulations to Sergeant Ballard!

### **Missouri Economic Department of Economic Development**

Assistant City Administrator Gina Pate meets quarterly with regional staff from Missouri Department of Economic Development (MO DED). They met on April 9 to discuss development updates in Smithville. MO DED provided an update on Acculevel and its impact for Smithville. Acculevel still plans to locate in Smithville, and MO DED staff will be reaching out to their point of contact for a targeted date for the Smithville location. These connections are important as Gina can help connect businesses to MO DED for business, community, and workforce resources.

### **Smithville Historical Society Historical Marker – Grant Application**

Dewayne Knott and the Smithville Historical Society have secured local funding and are applying for a grant to cover the remaining costs of a Smithville Historical Marker. This marker will tell the history of Humphry and Nancy Smith, as well as the City of Smithville. The grant application requires city pre-approval if the marker is to be installed on city property. The final site hasn't been chosen yet, but placing it near the old schoolhouse is recommended. The Mayor will be signing the letter of support for the funding application so they can continue in the grant process.

### **MML 2026 Elected Officials Training Conference**

As noted at the April 7 Board meeting, MML is hosting their annual elected officials training June 11 and 12 in Columbia. The training provides a nuts and bolts review of issues municipal officials face on a regular basis, including Sunshine Law, planning and zoning, revenue sources and budget development. Please let Linda Drummond know if you plan to attend this training. The last day to register is May 28.

**State Petition Audit**

Staff continue to provide information as requested. It is anticipated that work on the audit will continue throughout the fiscal year.

**Upcoming Meeting Schedule**

Due to the fact that the June 16, 2026, meeting falls during set-up for LakeFest affecting access to the City Hall parking lot, Mayor Boley has cancelled that meeting. In lieu of a Board of Aldermen meeting that evening, the Board of Aldermen Budget Retreat will be held that day to discuss budget priorities.

The September 15, 2026, meeting falls during the MML annual conference and has also been cancelled by the Mayor. This meeting will likely be rescheduled later in the month pending receipt of property tax assessed valuation information from Clay and Platte Counties in order to set the tax rate for the coming year.

The November 3, 2026, meeting has been cancelled as it falls on Election Day.