COVID-19 cases increasing

The City of Independence will remain in Phase 1 of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services' Public Health Advisory System for the remainder of August. As of Aug. 14, the Blue River Desert District Health Department had noted a consistent increase in COVID-19 cases for three straight weeks amid increased infection rates in Independence. The most recent week in the week of Aug. 2. (See Table 1.) The week ending with July 25. The City is working closely with the Jackson County Department of Health to monitor trends.

You can find information, resources and updates at indep.us/coronavirus.

Looking to the future

Beginning in mid-2022, the city will be creating a strategic plan for the future of Independence City Government. The strategic plan will be a comprehensive, forward-looking approach to the City's future and will serve to guide decision-making and set priorities in a way that aligns with the City's values. The strategic plan will be developed through a participatory process that includes input from community members, stakeholders, and experts. The strategic planning process will include public engagement. Look for details on how to get involved.