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Economic Development Focus

Local Water Industry Supplier Expands

A local supplier to the water utility industry is set for a major expansion to their facility at 200 Park Central Boulevard. Ferguson Waterworks will increase their current footprint by two acres and add a 9,000 square-foot warehouse. An existing 5,000 square-foot building at the facility will be converted to office space in which they plan to add six

sales positions. The facility on Westinghouse Road is the main branch for the waterworks division of the firm. Ferguson Waterworks supplies products and services to the water utility industry including pipes and other components for water, sanitary sewer, and storm water utility infrastructure.

Building Meets Industrial Space Demand



A 60,000 square-foot building under construction on Aviation Drive will provide space for a growing industrial and manufacturing sector in Georgetown. The new facility at an industrial park east of Airport Road is being built as a speculative property by Elliot

Properties, owners of the nearby Texas Outdoor Power Equipment distribution center. Texas Speed and Performance, a parts supplier and machining facility for high-performance Chevrolet, Pontiac, and GMC engines, is set to occupy half of the building in November.

Red Poppy Artwork

The City of Georgetown Convention and Visitors Bureau is seeking entries of original artwork to be considered for promotional use for the 2016 Red Poppy Festival Poster. The artwork that is selected will be featured in a poster and promotional pieces for the festival as well as street banners on the Square.

The artist will retain ownership rights to their artwork. There is a \$500 cash award for the artist of the piece that is selected. The deadline for artwork submissions is November 20. For details, go to RedPoppyFestival.com.

Downtown West Project

The City of Georgetown is holding public meetings to gather input for the reuse of three City buildings along Martin Luther King, Jr. Street. The project called Downtown West involves moving city employees into two vacant buildings and one building that is half-vacant. Public meetings to gather community input were held in July and August.



809 MLK past police station

which served as the City's police station from 1985 to 2015. Employees are expected to move into this building on an interim basis in the fall. Options for a proposed green space on existing City property between the public library and Ninth Street are also being considered.



510 W. Ninth Street



808 MLK former library

An initial proposal involves renovating the vacant 1987 former public library building at 808 Martin Luther King, Jr. Street to become City Hall. The Georgetown Communication and Technology Building at 510 W. Ninth Street would be renovated to house Municipal Court and other offices.

A second phase of the project involves reuse of the historic Light and Waterworks Building at 809 Martin Luther King, Jr. Street,

design the redevelopment project. Public input and schematic designs are scheduled to be presented to the City Council in the fall with renovation construction expected to begin in mid-2016.

Construction recently started on a paved surface parking lot on Martin Luther King, Jr. Street between Eighth and Ninth streets. The new public lot with 150-spaces replaces a grass and dirt lot. The new paved lot should be complete in early 2016 to provide public and employee parking for the downtown area.

October Events

The Palace Theater

Young Frankenstein,

Oct. 9 – Nov. 8

Details at

GeorgetownPalace.com, or call (512) 869-7469.

Art Hop, October 2 – 31

In its eighth year, Art Hop is a statewide arts competition celebrating Texas artists. Exhibit pieces will be displayed at the Georgetown Art Center and at the Georgetown Public Library. For details go to GeorgetownArtCenterTX.org.

First Friday, October 2

Downtown live music, shops, and restaurants are open late. See the Downtown Georgetown Association website at TheGeorgetownSquare.com.

National Night Out, October 6

Sponsor an evening block party from 6 to 9 p.m. to show neighborhood support against crime. Register your block party with the Georgetown Police Department to have an officer attend your event. Go to pd.georgetown.org for an online application, or contact Sgt. Erik Grasse at (512) 930-2594 or erik.grasse@georgetown.org.

Market Days, October 10

Handmade arts and crafts, food, and music on the Square from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Details at TheGeorgetownSquare.com.

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Starting Oct. 1 Monthly Yard Trimmings Collection

Yard trimmings collection moves to a monthly year-round schedule for City of Georgetown residents in the city limits starting October 1.

Branches should be bundled with twine, less than 35 pounds, and no more than four feet in length. Compostable brown paper lawn and leaf bags must be used for leaves, grass, or other organic material. Containers marked with home address and “yard trimmings” also can be used. A maximum of 20 bags, bundles, or containers can be picked up per month. Any extra bags must have a paid bag tag attached.

Residents with extra yard trimmings



in between a scheduled service day can use one of two allotted free bulky waste pick-ups by calling and scheduling with TDS at (512) 930-1715.

Yard trimmings collected at curbside are ground into mulch, which is

free to all in-city and outside city-limit customers. Yard trimmings also may be put in the trash cart, but they will be landfilled and not turned into mulch.

Look up your once-per-month yard trimmings collection day at recycle.georgetown.org/schedules or call the Georgetown Utility Systems Customer Care Center at (512) 930-3640.

Georgetown Public Library

It's Back to the Future at the library! The popular movie with Michael J. Fox and Christopher Lloyd came out 30 years ago. Come to the library for a free screening as part of our 50th anniversary programming. The movie will be at

6:30 p.m. on October 16. Admission is free.

The best Halloween parties

happen in the Georgetown Public Library. Check library.georgetown.org for party details!

Chisholm Trail Days, October 17

Sponsored by the Williamson Museum in San Gabriel Park, the 10th annual event starts at 8 a.m. on Saturday with living history camps, Sam Bass Shoot-Out, chuckwagons, live music, and children's corral. A longhorn cattle drive on the banks of the San Gabriel River is at noon. The fourth annual Cattleman's Ball honoring Nancy Rabb on Saturday is from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Community Center.

Tickets are \$75 for the ball.

Details at

UpTheChisholmTrail.org or call (512) 943-1670.

Georgetown Animal Shelter 10th Anniversary Celebration, October 17

From 1 to 4 p.m., drop by for guided tours and watch shelter dogs show off their agility course moves. There will be an Ask the Vet station, story time in the kitten room, refreshments, and a drawing for a \$50 PetSmart gift card.

October Events

Live Music at the Library, October 18

Austin Classical Guitar Ensemble performs 2 to 4 p.m. in the lobby at the Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. Eighth Street. Free and open to the public, this performance is a gift of the Friends of the Georgetown Public Library. Details at library.georgetown.org.

Georgetown Symphony Society, October 25

The GSS presents Nikita Mndoyants, Finalist in the 13th Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, in recital, 4 p.m., GHS Klett Center for the Performing Arts, 2211 N. Austin Ave. Details and tickets at gsstx.org or call (512) 864-9591.

Halloween Festival, October 29

The 21st annual Halloween event in San Gabriel Park is sponsored by the Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department. Hayrides start at the Community Center at 5:30 p.m. Ticket sales end at 8 p.m. Tickets for children 5 or older and adults are \$2. Children under 5 are \$1. Trick-or-treat Village is in front of the Community Center and the carnival is inside from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. There's also a costume contest for the kids. A free Movie in the Park showing of *Halloweentown* (PG) starts at 6:45 p.m. Details at parks.georgetown.org.

Boo Bash, October 31

Trick-or-treating at participating merchants around the Square from 5 to 8 p.m. Live music, food, and shopping at this Halloween event sponsored by the Downtown Georgetown Association.