The $11.7 million expansion of the North Lake Water Treatment Plant will increase plant capacity by 30 percent to 37.4 million gallons per day. The project started in 2021 and should be complete in summer 2023. Water conservation this summer will be especially important for Georgetown customers since this plant expansion will not come online until next summer.

The South Lake Water Treatment Plant on the south side of Lake Georgetown will begin construction this summer. The new plant will double the treatment capacity of the water utility and should be complete in 2025.

Irrigation checkup rebate and conservation reminder

As you turn your irrigation systems on for this spring, remember to set your system to your assigned two-day watering schedule, and there is no watering on Mondays. The Georgetown Water Utility is offering customers a $75 rebate for having their irrigation systems checked by a the licensed irrigator of their choice. Find more information at water.georgetown.org.

Call Before You Dig

Call 811 before you dig. It’s a free call, and it can save a life. When you call 811, within 48 hours, utility companies are notified about your intent to dig and will send a locator to mark utility-owned underground electric lines, pipes, or cables in the work area, free of charge.

Utility companies will mark the location of their underground lines with paint, flags, or stakes using a standard color code, which you can see at Texas811.org. Customers should be aware of any unmarked lines not owned by a utility, such as a customer-owned connection to a water meter, a wastewater service tap, or an irrigation system.

If you are digging and damage a utility line, call the utility immediately. If you know it is a Georgetown Utility Systems line, call Customer Care at 512-930-3640. Just remember: Know what’s below. Call 811 before you dig.

May election

Here are the important election dates for the May 7 election:

- Last day to register for the May election: April 7
- Early in-person voting: April 25-30 and May 2-3
- For polling places, dates and times, and sample ballots: wilco.org/elections
- For council district maps: maps.georgetown.org/council-district-maps

GET MORE INFORMATION

Use the QR code to find additional news from the City of Georgetown and sign up for our weekly e-newsletter.
Preservation Month
In May, the City of Georgetown recognizes Preservation Month and will celebrate the 40th anniversary of the City’s Main Street Program. Information about Preservation Month-related events will be posted at mainstreet.georgetown.org.

National Small Business Week
MAY 1-7
This National Small Business Week, Georgetown’s Economic Development Department is offering workshops and activities for small business owners and managers to celebrate the many small businesses in our community. Registration details are coming soon. More information is available at mainstreet.georgetown.org/small-business-resources.

Memorial Day Closings
MAY 30
City offices and facilities closed
Regular solid waste and recycling collection
The Recreation Center outdoor, Williams Drive, River Ridge, and Village pools open for the summer season on May 28 for the Memorial Day weekend. The Recreation Center outdoor, River Ridge and Village pools remain open through mid-August, and the Williams Drive Pool will be open through Labor Day weekend. Go to parks.georgetown.org/aquatics for details.

Georgetown Parks and Recreation summer camps
Georgetown Parks and Recreation offers a variety of camps to keep children engaged and active during the summer break. Weekly camp sessions begin May 31. Camp ages and fees vary. To learn more and register, visit parks.georgetown.org/camp. The programs operated by the City of Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department are recreational in nature and not state-licensed childcare programs.

Test pavement temp
Keep hydrated
Animal Services asks that you plan ahead for your dog’s safety. Protect against hot asphalt, overheating and hot cars.
Don't leave in car

Protect your pets from the heat this summer
As temperatures rise, the Georgetown Animal Shelter wants to remind you to protect your pets against hot temperatures and heat-related illness on local summer excursions.

Protect their paws
In hotter temperatures it becomes increasingly dangerous for your dog to go on walks on cement and asphalt, which can burn a pet’s paw pads. Asphalt absorbs heat throughout the day and stays hot even after the sun goes down. Pro tip: Take short walks in the early morning and stay in the shade.

Keep them hydrated
Dogs usually need three to four times the normal amount of water in hot weather, depending on their size and activity level, to stay hydrated. If you are taking them for a hike or day at the lake, make sure to take plenty of extra water for them. Watch for signs of dehydration, such as pale gums and lethargy. Pro tip: Add a touch of low-sodium broth to the water bowl to encourage drinking.

Do not leave your dog in a parked vehicle
Leaving your pet in a parked car can be a deadly mistake. On a warm day, the temperature in a parked car can heat up like an oven, even with the windows cracked. Open windows and shaded parking areas will not save your pet’s life in temperatures that high. With only hot air to breathe, your pet can quickly suffer brain damage or die from heatstroke. Pro tip: This time of year, leave your pets at home. If you must take them (on vacation or to an appointment), plan your day so that you can drive directly to the destination.

If you see a dog left in a hot car in Georgetown, and it appears to be in distress, call 512-930-3510, ext. 6, for Animal Control.