

Georgetown Reporter



Water Treatment Plant projects

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 this summer. Water conservation this summer will be especially important for Georgetown customers before the plant expansion comes online.

Construction on the \$175.3 million South Lake Water Treatment Plant on the south side of Lake Georgetown started last summer. The new plant will double the treatment capacity of the water utility and should be complete in two phases in 2025-26.





Irrigation checkup rebate and conservation reminder

As you turn your irrigation systems on for this spring, remember to set your system to your assigned one-day watering schedule, and remember, 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.

City of Georgetown: Stage 2 Watering Schedule Addresses ending in: Can water: Tuesday 2 or 6 Wednesday 0 Thursday 5 or 9 Friday 4 or 8 Saturday 3 or 7 Sunday No watering on Monday

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 June 5. 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 statelicensed childcare programs.

Preservation Month

In May, the City of Georgetown recognizes Preservation Month and will begin celebrations at noon May 1 at Grace Heritage Center with a kickoff event. Information about Preservation Month-related events will be posted at mainstreet. georgetown.org.

Memorial Day Closings MAY 29

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 27 for the Memorial Day weekend. The Recreation Center outdoor, River Ridge and Village pools remain open through Sunday, Aug. 13, and the Williams Drive Pool will be open through Labor Day weekend. Go to parks.georgetown.org/aquatics for details.



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Protect your pets from the heat this summer





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

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.

City Council election

The ballot for the May City Council election includes candidates for mayor, including incumbent Josh Schroeder and Jonathan Dade.

Incumbent Shawn Hood was unopposed in District 2, and Jake French was unopposed in District 6. Both unopposed elections will appear on the ballot with the mayoral race because of a new state law that says if an at-large race in the jurisdiction is uncontested, unopposed candidates in single-member districts will appear on the ballot.

The last day to register to vote in the May 6 election is April 6. Early in-person voting is April 24-May 2. Polling places, dates, and times are available at wilco.org/elections. To see maps of council districts, go to maps.georgetown.org/council-district-maps.

Call 811 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 water or electric line, call Customer Care at 512-930-3640.

Just remember: Know what's below. Call 811 before you dig.

Earth Day recycling event

The City's Environmental Services recycling event for Earth Day from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. has been rescheduled to May 13 at Forbes Middle School, 1911 NE Inner Loop.

During the event, residents will be able to drop off paper for shredding, tires, mattresses, and appliances and electronics, such as televisions, microwaves,



computers, and cell phones. Individuals are limited to three boxes or sacks of paper for shredding and up to four tires per carload. There is no limit on electronic items. Household hazardous waste items will not be accepted.

To participate, please bring a donation for Friends of the Georgetown Public Library, which helps support the needs of the library. Monetary donations will also be accepted. More information is available at **recycle.georgetown.org**.

