Public hearings for both the City of Georgetown’s proposed budget and tax rate for Fiscal Year 2024 will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, in council chambers. City Council also will consider results of a cost-of-service study for water and wastewater utility and rate increases as part of the budget process.

For details about the budget, go to finance.georgetown.org. Watch budget and tax rate hearings at gtv.georgetown.org, on Suddenlink channel 10, or on Facebook Live at facebook.com/cityofgeorgetown.

**Important budget dates**

- First presentation of the full budget; City Council sets maximum tax rate and public hearing dates: Aug. 8
- Public hearings and first reading of both the tax rate and the budget: Aug. 22
- Second reading and final adoption of the tax rate and budget: Sept. 12

**Sunset Movie Series | AUG. 11**

The Georgetown Parks & Recreation Department presents “Lightyear” (PG) on Friday, Aug. 11, in San Gabriel Park at the Legacy Pavilion. The event is the final film in the summer Sunset Movie Series. The movie starts at dusk, around 8:30 p.m. Come early for free popcorn and entertainment before the movie starts.

For more information, visit parks.georgetown.org/sunset-movie-series.

**Registration for fall/winter programs | AUG. 1**

Georgetown Parks & Recreation will open registration for fall/winter programs on Monday, Aug. 1, for both Georgetown residents and nonresidents.

Age requirements, pricing, and schedules vary for each program. Visit parks.georgetown.org to see what we’re offering this season!

**Kittens at the Library**

Come cuddle and adopt a kitten from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, at the Georgetown Public Library, 402 W. Eighth St. The Georgetown Animal Shelter will be bringing adoptable kittens to visit with library patrons and hopefully find their forever homes. Adoption fees will be reduced, and kittens can go home in a cardboard carrier from this event.

For more information, visit library.georgetown.org.
Summer watering

During the summer months, outside water use can account for 70 percent or more of your entire water bill. Adjusting how much you water your lawn for the season can help lower your summer usage and avoid higher water bills. Residents are asked to follow the watering schedule. Your wallet will thank you, and your lawn won’t mind.

Trying to keep your lawn green during the hottest summer months can lead to over-watering. Turf grass is able to go dormant during the hottest summer months.

Summer dormancy is a normal response to the stress of heat. Most turf grass plants can stay in a dormant state for some time without harm. By watering deeply (about a half inch or inch of water at a time) once every week or two during this dormant state, you can ensure the turf grass remains healthy. Once you resume regular watering, it will green up again.

Find your watering schedule at water.georgetown.org.

Prepare for back to school

The first day of school for Georgetown ISD is Aug. 17. This August, be sure to pay attention and slow down when driving in school zones. Also when preparing for children and teenagers to head back to school, it’s important to remember: Disasters happen everywhere, and every member of the family can prepare. Learn how to build an emergency kit for school, how to talk to your child’s teacher about school preparedness, and how to develop lesson plans for your students. Talk to your kids about what to do before, during, and after a disaster. For more information, visit ready.gov/kids.

Want more news from the City?
The City has several ways for residents to get information about what’s happening in Georgetown.

Check us out at
- facebook.com/cityofgeorgetown
- twitter.com/georgetowntx
- instagram.com/georgetowntx
- youtube.com/user/thecityofgeorgetown

The City also publishes a weekly e-newsletter. Sign up at bit.ly/gtxweeklysnu.

Alcohol is not allowed at Blue Hole Park, per City ordinance No. 2020-50 that was passed in July 2020.

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CONTINUES THROUGH SEPT. 15

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