Friendly Texas reminder:
Follow the watering schedule

High water-use season is here. Adjusting how much you water your lawn for the season can help lower your summer usage and avoid higher water bills. Your wallet will thank you, and your lawn won’t mind.

If you live in 78626, 78628, 78633, 78641, or 78642, here is your summer watering checklist:

- Know and follow your watering schedule
- Don’t irrigate on Mondays
- Pledge to conserve water

Did you know that by refraining from lawn irrigation every Monday, you could save up to 20,760 gallons of water annually? That’s equivalent to 1,038 laundry loads or 3,460 dishwasher cycles!

Find your watering schedule and sign the conservation pledge at water.georgetown.org.

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Registration for fall/winter programs opens Aug. 1

Georgetown Parks & Recreation will open registration for fall/winter programs on Thursday, 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!

Sunset Movie Series
Friday, Aug. 9

The Georgetown Parks & Recreation Department presents “Super Mario Bros.” (PG) on Friday, Aug. 9, in San Gabriel Park at the Legacy Pavilion. The event is the final film in the summer Sunset Movie Series, presented by the Friends of Georgetown Parks and Recreation. 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.

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City Budget

Public hearings for both the City of Georgetown’s proposed budget and tax rate for Fiscal Year 2025 will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 27. 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

AUG. 13 | First presentation of the full budget; City Council sets maximum tax rate and public hearing dates

AUG. 27 | Public hearings and first reading of both the tax rate and the budget

SEPT. 10 | Second reading and final adoption of the tax rate and budget

Georgetown Animal Shelter: Clear The Shelters 2024

The City of Georgetown Animal Shelter is teaming up with KXAN for the annual Clear the Shelters pet adoption drive Aug. 10-Sept. 10. Clear The Shelters is an annual national adoption event spearheaded by NBCUniversal Owned Television Stations.

This year, the event will combine a month-long adoption campaign with a special event Sept. 9-10. During Clear the Shelters, the shelter will waive adoption fees on dogs age 7 months or older (medium to large size breeds only) and cats age 7 months or older.

“This campaign couldn’t come at a better time," Animal Services Manager April Haughey said. "Our small shelter has been overflowing with dogs and cats all year. We hope this campaign will reach potential adopters and truly clear the shelter.”

To see the list of available pets and learn how to adopt, visit pets.georgetown.org. The Georgetown Animal Shelter is located at 110 W.L. Walden Drive, near San Gabriel Park in Georgetown.

Want more news from the City?

The City is considering ending publication of the Georgetown Reporter newsletter. This is the final month we are taking feedback on the Reporter. If you have thoughts about the end of this newsletter, please email pio@georgetown.org

There are many ways for residents to get information about what’s happening in Georgetown, including our website Georgetown.org.

Sign up for our weekly e-newsletter at bit.ly/gtxweeklysubscribe and be sure to follow us on social media to stay up to date on the news and information you need:

facebook.com/cityofgeorgetown
twitter.com/georgetowntx
instagram.com/georgetowntx
youtube.com/user/thecityofgeorgetown

Prepare for back to school

The first day of school for Georgetown ISD is Aug. 15. 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.