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CITY HOLIDAY SCHEDULE



In observance of the following holidays, all City offices will be closed:

Sept 3—Labor Day Nov 12—Veteran's Day

CITY COUNCIL

Lew White, Mayor
Angie Gonzales-Sanchez, Mayor Pro-Tem
Brad Westmoreland, At-Large
Juan Mendoza, District 1
John Castillo, District 2
Kara McGregor, District 3
Jeffry Michelson, District 4

The City Council will hold its regular meetings on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month on:

 Sept 4
 Oct 16

 Sept 18
 Nov 6

 Oct 2
 Nov 20

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. Please see the City Secretary for a detailed agenda listing items to be discussed during each meeting or visit us at www.lockhart-tx.org. Council meetings are also streamed online.

CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

City Hall (512) 398-3461 Animal Shelter (512) 376-3336 Animal Control (512) 376-3336

after hours call (512) 398-4401

Public Works (512) 398-6452

Library / Technology Center

(512) 398-3223

Utility Billing (512) 398-3461 Electric Department (512) 398-6117

Fire Department (512) 398-2321 Municipal Court (512) 376-9469

Police Department (512) 398-4401

Water Department (512) 398-3615

City of Lockhart

308 West San Antonio Street Lockhart, Texas 78644

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on Spectrum Cable

Welcome Back to School from the Lockhart Police Department

The Lockhart Police Department would like to welcome all Teachers, Students, and Staff back for another school year. We would like to remind everyone that State Law prohibits the use of cell phones while driving in marked school zones — this includes text messaging. We would also like to remind folks that the speed limit in School Zones is 20 miles per hour. There will be an increase in bicyclist, motor vehicle, and pedestrian traffic in and around the schools starting bright and early Wednesday morning, August 15, 2018. Please slow down and drive safe.

The Lockhart Police Department, in partnership with the Lockhart ISD, will have two officers assigned to the school district as school resource officers. The School Resource Officer is a sworn officer assigned to a school on a long-term basis trained to perform three major roles: Law Enforcement Officer, law-related counselor and law-related educator. In addition, the officer works in collaboration with the school and the community as a resource for safety and security issues.

The police officer assigned to the High School this year is Officer Gregorio Paiz. The police officer assigned to the Junior High School is Officer Chad Corbitt. Please feel free to contact Officer Corbitt or Officer Paiz at (512) 398-4401 or the Lockhart High School at (512) 398-0300 for questions or concerns.

Garage / Yard Sale Signs

As the weather cools and it becomes more comfortable to be outdoors, many people will consider holding a garage or yard sale. This type of activity helps residents clear out unwanted items and raise a little money in the process. If you are considering holding a garage/yard sale, please keep in mind that the City regulates the frequency and duration of such sales, as well as signs used to advertise them.

- The person conducting the sale, or at least one of the persons if it's a group, must live in the dwelling on the property where the sale is held.
- Only household items and personal property may be offered for sale, and the items shall not be displayed closer than five feet to the front or side property lines.
- Sales must be conducted during daylight hours, and can be operated for no more than a maximum of three consecutive days. Not more than one sale shall be conducted per calendar month at the same location.
- Signs advertising garage/yard sales may be displayed only on the premises where the sale is held, and the total area of all such signs on the property shall not exceed six square feet. Signs may be posted up to two days before the sale, and shall be removed immediately at the end of the sale. It is a violation to post garage/yard sale signs on public property or in the public street right-of-way, or attached to utility poles, light poles, or traffic signs.
- Homemade signs, and signs purchased from a store, are both acceptable, and they can be attached to wood or metal stakes. An old cardboard box also makes a good sign holder, but it should be anchored to the ground or contain something heavy to prevent it from blowing over or into the street.

Garage and yard sales can be fun and put extra cash in your pocket. If you are planning a sale please remember these rules.

For more information, please contact City Hall at (512) 398-3461.

Utility Payments

To better serve residents, City of Lockhart utility payments are now accepted in the drive-through of the Lockhart Municipal Court, 1914 W. San Antonio St. and in the Court night depository, as well as at City Hall, 308 W. San Antonio St. For account related questions and all other utility related inquires, please visit City Hall, 308 W. San Antonio Street or call (512) 398-3461.

Payments can be made by cash, check, money order as well as credit cards (Visa, MasterCard, American Express). Certain conditions apply.

Water Quality

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has assessed our water system and determined that the drinking water meets or exceeds all federal and state water quality standards. To view the City of Lockhart 2017 Water Quality Report visit www.lockharttx.org/page/water quality.

For more information please call (512) 398-3461.

Grass Clippings

Grass clippings cannot be left in the street and drainage ditches, pipes, or stormwater It is a violation of City Ordinance, can become a traffic hazard, and even block stormwater flow resulting in localized flooding. The very best thing to do with your grass clippings is to compost them or leave them on your lawn. As the grass decomposes, it returns nutrients to your lawn. As a result, your yard may need less or no fertilizer. Grass clippings and leaves are truly a valuable natural resource. Do not blow or sweep the clippings into the street, gutters or into a storm drain (which is a violation of City Ordinance).

Lockhart Western Swing & BBQ Festival

is coming to Lockhart Sept. 28—Sept. 30, 2018. For more information visit www.lockhartfest.com.

Mandatory Outside Watering Restrictions ***SUBJECT TO CHANGE***

Outside watering can only take place between 7pm & 10am on the following days as designated by customer type:

Customer Type

Outside Watering Day

Commercial, Multi-family (four-plex and above)

Residential odd-numbered address (last # in address)

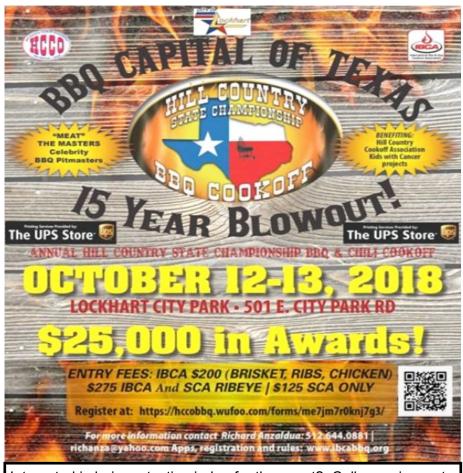
Wed. and/or Sat.

Residential even-numbered address (last # in address)

Thurs. and/or Sun.

- -Outside watering can only be done with sprinklers and/or automatic irrigation systems of any type between 7pm and 10am on the above scheduled days.
- -Outside watering with an attended hand held hose or bucket at any time and on any day is allowed.
- -Washing of sidewalks, driveways, parking areas or other paved surfaces is prohibited except to alleviate an immediate health or safety hazard.
- -Restriction variances can only be considered after receipt of reasons in writing addressed to the City Manager or designee and shall not be considered solely on the basis of convenience of the customer.

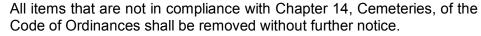
Like many communities in Texas, water restrictions have become a reality during the summer months and for some, it is year round. The City of Lockhart has sufficient water sources, but conservation is essential to ensure that these resources will be there for years to come. Violators are subject to citations and fines if found guilty.



Interested in being a tasting judge for the event? Call organizers at 512-644-0881 or email richanza@yahoo.com.

Semi Annual Cemetery Cleanup

Beginning October 1, 2018, Park/Cemetery staff will be cleaning up areas throughout the City Cemetery. All deteriorated, weathered, and unsightly items, artificial and real flowers, vases, containers, flags, and miscellaneous articles will be removed. If you wish to keep these items that may have sentimental value, items must be removed by September 30, 2018.



Questions or comments may be addressed to the Cemetery Manager at 512-398-6452 during regular business hours.