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City offices closed July 3, Fort Concho and Love Pool open

Most City offices will be closed Friday, July 3, in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

There will be no interruption in residential garbage collection and the landfill will be open Friday, July 3. There will be no residential pickup on Saturday, July 4. Residential customers who normally receive service on Saturdays will next receive garbage collection Wednesday, July 9. Service for Saturday-only commercial customers will not be interrupted. The landfill will be open during its normal operating hours July 4.

Among the City operations that will be closed July 3-4: Station 618 and Santa Fe Crossing senior centers, Southside and Carl Ray Johnson recreation centers, the McNease Convention Center, the San Angelo-Tom Green County Health Department, Fairmount Cemetery's business offices, Municipal Court, the San Angelo Nature Center and the San Angelo Animal Shelter.

Love Municipal Pool, 18 E. Avenue A, will be open for public swimming from noon to 6 p.m. July 3 and 5. The pool will be closed Saturday, July 4. Admission is \$5 per person for ages 3-64, free for children younger than 3, and \$3 for 65 and older. Avenue A will be barricaded July 3 in advance of the San Angelo Symphony's July 3 Pops Concert and fireworks extravaganza at the neighboring RiverStage, so attendees may have to park farther from the pool than normal.

Love Municipal Pool once again offers the best – and coolest – view of the July 3 fireworks with its annual Splash Party. Advance tickets cost \$10 and are available at the pool or in the Recreation offices in Santa Fe Crossing, 702 S. Chadbourne St., from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Tickets will be available the day of the event at the pool for \$15. Tickets are limited. Those who purchase Splash Party tickets will be allowed to enter at 6:30 p.m. Outside food and drinks are not allowed in the pool. Concessions are available for sale.

Gates to the RiverStage, 16 E. Avenue A, on July 3 will open at noon. Admission to the pops concert is free, although the San Angelo Symphony is selling reserved seating from 9 a.m.-noon and 1 p.m.-5 p.m. weekdays in the west mezzanine of City Hall, 72 W.

College Ave. The Community Band performs at 7 p.m. and the San Angelo Symphony at 8:30 p.m.

On Saturday, July 4, Fort Concho will celebrate an old Independence Day Army tradition, firing hourly artillery salutes from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on the Parade Ground to mark the nation's 239th birthday. There will be no charge to watch the artillery or to enter the fort's Visitor Center at Barracks 1. Regular site charges will be in effect for the rest of the fort's eight tour buildings, which will be open from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on the holiday.

Admission rates are \$3 for adults, \$2 for seniors and military, \$1.50 for children ages 7-17, and free for kids 6 and younger. Because Fort Concho participates in the Blue Star Program, all active-duty military are admitted at no charge from Memorial Day to Labor Day, as are military veterans and their families.

In addition to the fort's regular displays, a new display on the Comanche nation in Officers' Quarters 2 will be open all day July 4. For more info, call the fort at 325-657-4444 or visit fortconcho.com.

Admission will be charged throughout the holiday weekend at Spring Creek and Middle Concho parks at Lake Nasworthy. Day passes cost \$3 per vehicle for City residents and \$6 for non-residents. Camping passes cost \$6 per campsite for City residents, \$12 for non-residents.

Glass containers, which pose a public safety hazard, are prohibited at the lake parks, as well as all city parks. Citizens visiting the lake are encouraged to alert the San Angelo Police Department if they witness any instances of vandalism, reckless behavior or other unlawful acts in an effort to keep Lake Nasworthy safe, enjoyable and attractive.

City offices will reopen at 8 a.m. Monday, July 6.

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