



# the OUTLOOK

NEWS AND VIEWS FROM THE CITY OF SPRING HILL, KANSAS | AUGUST 2019

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### 1 SHOP LOCAL

August is Shop Local Month! Find easy ways to spend your dollars in Spring Hill.

### 2 HEAT SCHEDULE

### 3 AUTO WITHDRAWAL

## upcoming events

AUG. 3

**Seventh Annual Family Luau** | 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. | Spring Hill Aquatic Center. Our biggest party of the season features a delicious catered meal, abundant giveaways and other attractions.

AUG. 8

**2020 Budget Public Hearing** | 7 p.m. during City Council meeting | Spring Hill Civic Center, 401 N. Madison St.

SEPT. 28 - 29

**Fall Festival** | City Park, Washington and Allen streets. Catch the parade down Webster Street then head over after to check out our booths!

*(more events found on page 4!)*

## City to issue RFP for Internet

This month, the City of Spring Hill will issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to convey its interest in partnering with a sophisticated and motivated partner to bring fiber-based, Gigabit-class broadband service to the city.

The successful partner will either build, or partner with the City to build, and support a fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) deployment capable of enhancing broadband connectivity to residents, businesses and community anchor institutions within the city limits of Spring Hill.

The RFP comes at the recommendation of the Broadband Task Force, which has worked tirelessly on discovering ways to bring better Internet service to Spring Hill.

Find more information about the Broadband Task Force here: <http://bit.ly/shbroadband>

## Court set to host Amnesty Day

Do you or someone you know have an outstanding warrant out of Spring Hill Municipal Court?

Our second annual Amnesty Day — in conjunction with Johnson County municipal courts' countywide amnesty event — is a way to get an issue resolved without the fear of being arrested.

Appear in Spring Hill Municipal Court at the Civic Center, 401 N. Madison St., between 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 17, and your warrant will be set aside. Penalty late fees and warrant fees will also be set aside.

Consideration of partial payments and payment plans will be at the discretion of the judge. Payment can be made by cash, check, credit or debit card.

This is a one-day amnesty offer. The prosecutor, judge and court staff will only be available between 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. to assist you.

This event is for Spring Hill Municipal Court cases. For questions, please call the Court Clerk at (913) 592-3624.

# contact us

## CITY HALL

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday  
401 N. Madison St. | P.O. Box 424  
Spring Hill, KS 66083

Main Phone: (913) 592-3664  
Community Development:  
(913) 592-3657

Municipal Court: (913) 592-3624  
Utility Billing: (913) 592-3626

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

418 E. Nichols St.  
Spring Hill, KS 66083  
Phone: (913) 592-2700

## PUBLIC WORKS

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday  
502 E. Nichols St.  
Spring Hill, KS 66083  
Public Works: (913) 592-3317  
After-hours emergencies:  
(913) 247-3521

## Online

[www.springhillks.gov](http://www.springhillks.gov)  
[/springhillks](https://www.facebook.com/springhillks)  
[@springhillks](https://twitter.com/springhillks)  
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KANSAS

# Shop local: Easy ways to support Spring Hill businesses this month

Established by a mayoral proclamation in 2015, Shop Local Month serves as a great opportunity for residents to reaffirm their commitment to supporting our local business community. Challenge yourself to make small steps to support Spring Hill businesses this August!

## Household challenge

Make it a goal this month to buy everything you need in Spring Hill for one week, from groceries to gasoline. Making a series of small efforts is a good way to form a habit!

## Plan ahead

Why wait until something breaks or needs replaced to find a local professional to help you? Make a list of Spring Hill services to help you with your home, vehicle and financial needs so you're prepared.

## Make a splash with sales tax

Have you visited the Spring Hill Aquatic

Center this season? This project was funded by a special city sales tax revenue along with the upcoming Veterans Park. General sales tax revenue funds day-to-day operations, better streets and park expansions.

## Look out for signs of generosity

The next time someone hands you a free item like a bottle of water or a program at a community activity, see who is supporting these events through sponsorships and donations. You may be surprised to see how much local businesses give back to our community throughout the year.

## Prepping for the school year

Take advantage of the convenience of nearby businesses while getting ready for the upcoming school year. You can get school supplies, physicals, teeth cleanings, eye exams and your teen's car tuned up within just minutes of your home.

# ICYMI (in case you missed it)

## A roundup of posts on City of Spring Hill social media

### 1. Dispatcher honored for saving Spring Hill resident's life

Chief Cindy Henson traveled to the Johnson County Emergency Communications Center on July 18 to present a lifesaving award to Chris Shelton, a lead dispatcher with the department, for her integral role and effort in saving the life of a three-year-old Spring Hill resident. You may remember the story from May of our own Officer Ashe arriving on scene to a choking toddler. With Shelton's instructions and calm demeanor, Ashe was able to save the child and help him make a full recovery. See the photos: <http://bit.ly/2GIEJ9M>



### 2. Board receives updated photos of Spring Hill Cemetery

The Cemetery Board recently received some great aerial and ground shots of the Spring Hill Cemetery, 800 Block of West Lawrence Street, from Aerial Fox Photography. Check them out: <http://bit.ly/32noGYN>

### 3. Johnson County Election Office adds new advance voting location

Beginning with the Aug. 19 primary election, the Johnson County Election office will open a new advanced voting location at New

Century Fieldhouse in Gardner to better serve voters in southwest Johnson County. Find more info on voting dates and times: <http://bit.ly/2SkabjN>

### 4. Follow us on Instagram

Check out some amazing photos of Spring Hill including user-submitted content. In July, we saw some cotton candy colored skies and a great photo of a patrol car. Want a chance for yours to be featured? Tag us or use the hashtag #springhillks. Your account must be public for us to see the photos!

# Waste Management operating on heat schedule

Waste Management will be following a heat schedule through the end of August for residential pick ups.

All trash service will be moved one hour earlier, which means cans must be curbside by 6 a.m. each Friday.

“The safety of our employees is one of our top priorities,” Waste Management said in a news release. “The current 30-day outlook for the Kansas City metropolitan area reflects temperatures in the high 90 degrees with potential triple digit heat-index.”

Trash is limited to three bags, three cans (both a maximum of 30 gallons); or any 95 gallon cart. Trash in excess of these amounts should be placed in a bag with a pre-paid sticker attached. Stickers are available at City Hall in sheets of 10 for \$15.

Waste Management will pick up any amount of recycling. Use any container, clearly marked as recyclables. Recyclables in trash bags are not accepted. To view acceptable recycling materials, visit our website: [www.springhillks.gov/133/Curbside-Recycling](http://www.springhillks.gov/133/Curbside-Recycling)



Yard waste will be picked up on most regular trash days, which includes grass, trees, limbs, flowers, garden plants, etc. Trash or construction materials will not be picked up with your compost service. If bags contain trash or foreign material, they will be left at the curb.



Get in that last swim at the Spring Hill Aquatic Center before it's too late! The last day of the operating season is Sunday, Aug. 11 from noon to 6 p.m. to allow our seasonal staff to return to school. Regular hours are noon to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. Sundays.

## Check out our open positions

Need a new job?

We're looking for great candidates to fill positions throughout the City.

We offer excellent, comprehensive benefits including medical, dental and vision coverage as well as paid leave and KPERs retirement.

Interested? Applying is easy! Visit [www.springhillks.gov](http://www.springhillks.gov)



and click on “Employment” to view our open positions.



## Auto withdrawal available to residents

Sign up today for auto withdrawal on your utility billing account.

If you set up auto-withdrawal through the City, funds will be withdrawn from your account on the 15th of each month. If the 15th falls on a holiday or a weekend, your account will be debited the business day prior.

If you set up auto-withdrawal through your bank, make sure to have funds withdrawn no no later than the 15th of each month.

You will continue to receive a paper statement or e-statement after you sign up for automatic payment withdrawal. When you sign up to pay your utility bill with automatic withdrawal, you are not giving the City of Spring Hill any control over your account. You are simply authorizing the payment to be made each month to the City of Spring Hill.

To sign up, fill out the form online: <http://bit.ly/2YX2KBv>

Your completed form can be dropped off at City Hall, 401 N. Madison St., or mailed to P.O. Box 424, Spring Hill, KS 66083.

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## august

**6** **Spring Hill Municipal Court** | 8:30 a.m. | Spring Hill Civic Center

**Cemetery Board meeting** | 7 p.m. | Civic Center

**Planning Commission special meeting** | 7 p.m. | Civic Center

**7** **Large item trash day: Miami County** | Call (913) 631-3300 at least 48 hours in advance to schedule pickup.

**8** **City Council meeting** | 7 p.m. | Civic Center

**11** **Last day of the Aquatic Center season** | Squeeze in one last swim before staff heads back to school!

**19** **Parks Advisory Board meeting** | 6 p.m. | Civic Center

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## september

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