

December 20, 2016



Re: Georgetown Show Barn

Parks and Recreation
Department

Dear Patrons of the Georgetown Show Barn,

It has been our distinct pleasure to operate and maintain the Show Barn for a variety of groups and individuals since 1977. As Williamson County continues to grow, the demands on facilities and services grow as well. The Show Barn, located in the City of Georgetown's San Gabriel Park, competes with a variety of other uses and activities in and around the facility itself, which creates significant parking and traffic related challenges in this relatively small amount of space.

Additionally, the County just completed Phase I construction of the Williamson County Expo Center in Taylor, Texas, and the County is working with a consultant to design and construct Phase I development at the over 1000-acre River Ranch County Park near Liberty Hill. Both the Expo Center, and River Ranch County Park will offer facilities to accommodate most of the services currently being provided at the Show Barn.

After considering the parking and traffic related challenges at the Show Barn, along with the current and future development of County facilities that can offer similar services as currently provided at the Show Barn, Williamson County plans to terminate the Show Barn lease with the City of Georgetown. Following 40 years of operation, the last date the Show Barn can be enjoyed by patrons will be December 31, 2017.

We appreciate your support through the years, and hope your new opportunities at the Williamson County Expo Center and River Ranch County Park will prove positive and beneficial for many years to come!

Sincerely,

Randy Bell

Williamson County Parks Director

Cc: Honorable Members of Williamson County Commissioners Court



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