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City Update – June 30, 2023 **View PowerPoint slides**

Joplin Parks and Recreation has partnered with Missouri Southern State University again this year to host Joplin's Independence Day Celebration tomorrow, July 4 at Fred G. Hughes Stadium, located on Missouri Southern's campus.

This family event will feature live music by The Mixtapes, food trucks and fireworks. The Schedule includes

- 5:30pm: Event Kick Off: Food Trucks Open
- 7:00pm: Stadium Opens to Visitors
- 7:30pm: Live Music by The Mixtapes
- 9:45pm: Fireworks Show (approximate show time is 20 minutes)

The fireworks show will be set to music and spectators can tune in at 88.7 KXMS, to enjoy this. Guests are welcome to sit on the west side of the stadium, or they may bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for lounging in the grassy area on the west side of the field. The north end zone and the east side of the stadium will be closed to the public for safety purposes. There is no fee for admission to this family fun event and all ages are welcome.

Plenty of parking is also available throughout the campus. A map of the campus is posted along with other information at https://www.mssu.edu/independenceday

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As Independence Day, July 4, approaches, citizens should keep safety in mind as they handle fireworks to avoid any problems. Important dates to remember:

- Fireworks may only be sold within the City of Joplin on July 1, through July 4.
- They may be discharged from **12 Noon to 11 p.m. only on July 1 through 4.**

The City also encourages residents to clean up their shoot sites to eliminate debris and trash in the city. Fireworks should be cooled before they are disposed of. To help ensure items are extinguished, remaining fireworks barrels can be sprayed with water or dunked in a bucket before disposing of them.
We wish everyone a Happy and Safe Independence Day!

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Speaking of the holiday, the City offices will be closed tomorrow, July 4. All City services will resume their regularly scheduled hours on Wednesday, July 5.
Please note that residential trash service will not run on July 4 and service will move to the next day so Tuesday customers will have service on Wednesday and so on through the week using Saturday as Friday's customer pick-up day.

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For more information about these announcements or other items related to the City, please visit the City's website and Joplin's Facebook page. If wanting to review tonight's announcements, they can be found on our website at www.joplinmo.org/PIOnews

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Thank you. I'd be happy to address any questions...