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Running the bases



FCHD to host health fair

The Finney County Health Department will be hosting its annual Community Health and Safety Fair from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 12, in Stevens Park.

A wide variety of services from vaccines for youth ages 11-18 (bring all insurance) to free sports physicals will be available as well as resources and information for students and families from various organizations and agencies. Those present can also receive school supplies.

A group of youth round second base as they run the bases Monday at the Garden City Wind's baseball game against the Alpine Cowboys at Clint Lightner Field. Children are invited to run the bases as one of the game's activities between the third and fourth innings during each home game. BRAD NADING/GARDEN CITY TELEGRAM

County approves three agreements with city

BY MEGHAN FLYNN Garden City Telegram

The Finney County Commission approved three agreements for partnerships with the City of Garden City at its regular meeting Monday.

The agreements were for the Animal Shelter, facility sharing for the Garden City Police Department and Finney County Sheriff's Office and an interlocal agreement for a $\frac{1}{2}$ cent sales tax.

The Garden City Commission approved these agreements for the city at its regular meeting on July 1.

The Animal Shelter agreement splits the annual costs of the operation of the Animal Shelter between the city and county at 65% and 35%, respectively.

Gary Meagher, Finney County Interim County Administrator, said Garden City provides for the operation of the Animal Shelter and the county has had an agreement with the city for years to share in the



Gary Meagher, Interim Finney County Administrator, talks about several agreements between the county and the city of Garden City at Finney County's regular meeting on Monday. MEGHAN FLYNN/GARDEN CITY TELEGRAM

operational costs in exchange for receiving animal shelter services. The current agreement expires at the end of the year and the new agreemnt will take effect on Jan. 1, 2026, Meagher said.

"The proposed agreement is a yearto-year agreement, as opposed to prior to this it was a three-year

agreement," he said. "So, this is a year-toyear agreement that will automatically renew unless terminated by either party."

The facility sharing agreement is a Memorandum of Understanding between both entities regarding temporary relocation of the GCPD and FICO while

the Finney County Law Enforcement Center is being remodeled, Meagher said.

"The city has secured a lease of a building located at 1210 N. Fleming St. and can accommodate both the Police and Sheriff's departments during the remodeling process," he said. "The MOU that is

provided to you is being utilized for the purpose of expressing the intent of the city and county to share the facility during the temporary relocation."

Meagher clarified that the relocation is for the Sheriff's Office patrol, investigations and staff that are located in the LEC other than the jail, which will remain open and in operation.

"This is during the time period that if the sales tax would pass, and there would need to be relocation during that time," he said. "This would actually start occurring soon so that we can prepare for that to occur."

The term of the agreement would be from July 1 of this year to June 1, 2030, and could be extended for an additional five years, Meagher said.

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Sunflower Summer program opens July 12

TOPEKA – Kansas Tourism has announced the launch of the 2025 Sunflower Summer program, inviting Kansas families to enjoy a season packed with unforgettable adventures across the state.

Created especially for Kansas students and their families, the Sunflower Summer program offers complimentary free admission to more than 230 attractions. The 2025 season opens Saturday, July 12, and runs through Sunday, Aug. 3.

Participating attractions include museums, discovery centers, historic sites, arboretums, zoos and more.

The full list of attractions participating in the 2025 Sunflower Summer program can be found on SunflowerSummer. and on the org mobile app.

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