



September 28, 2018



City Council to meet October 1

The Mesquite City Council Pre-Meeting will begin at 5 p.m. Monday, October 1, in Training Rooms A and B at City Hall, [757 N. Galloway Ave.](#) The Regular Meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber. Meeting agendas are available online at

cityofmesquite.com/CouncilAgenda. Meetings are broadcast live at cityofmesquite.com/WatchCouncilMeetings and via [Facebook Live](#).



COMPASS service changes effective October 1

Effective October 1, midday service is no longer available on STAR Transit Express Bus Route 282, also known as COMPASS. View revised schedules for [Westbound to Lawnview Station](#) and [Eastbound to Mesquite Park &](#)

[Ride](#). Call [214-979-1111](tel:214-979-1111) for more information. STAR Transit will host a public input meeting on other possible route changes at 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 23, at Mesquite Arts Center, [1527 N. Galloway Ave.](#) Schedule a ride by calling [877-631-5278](tel:877-631-5278).



Mesquite seeks input on Comprehensive Plan

The City of Mesquite is beginning a process to update its Comprehensive Plan and is seeking public participation. Mesquite's Comprehensive Plan is the long-term vision utilized by the City Council in planning the future growth, development and revitalization of our community. Complete a comprehensive plan survey at cityofmesquite.com/CompPlan.

Learn more by attending a public meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 8. There also will be a Town Hall Tuesday at 7 p.m. October 30. The City invites the community to attend both events located at City Hall, [757 N. Galloway Ave.](#)



City Council approves new school zone and KidsQuest expansion

This month the City Council gave approval to move forward with replacement and expansion of the KidsQuest playground at DeBusk Park, [1625 Gross Road](#). The design includes a new playground, an additional parking lot and renovation of the existing picnic pavilion. The City Council also approved installation of a new school zone along Rutherford Drive between Sierra Drive and Covington Drive. The school zone will accommodate the new layout of Rutherford Elementary School's entry and exit driveways.



City adopts 2018-19 budget and property tax rate

The City Council approved City of Mesquite's property tax rate and 2018-19 fiscal year budget. The new budget features enhanced public safety with more police officers and firefighters, additional street maintenance and a new high impact litter control program. The property tax rate increased from \$0.684 to \$0.734 per \$100 in property valuation. The rate increase is necessary to finance the second half of the residential street bond program, known as Real. Texas. Roads., approved by voters in November 2015. The City has not increased the property tax rate for maintenance and operations in 10 years. [Read more.](#)



National Night Out is October 2

Mesquite neighborhoods will host a variety of activities on National Night Out, October 2. Activities will include participation by the Mesquite Police Department. View the latest schedule and locations at cityofmesquite.com/NNO. Voter registration cards and election information will be offered at all National Night Out events registered with the City.



National Coffee with a Cop Day is October 3

The Mesquite Police Department will participate in National Coffee with a Cop Day from 7 to 9 a.m. Wednesday, October 3 at [seven McDonald's locations in Mesquite](#). McDonald's will provide complimentary coffee, and Mesquite police officers will be on-site to engage with the community and provide public safety information.



Mark your calendar for October 6 events in Mesquite

There is lots happening in Mesquite next Saturday. The Mesquite Police Department invites interested candidates to attend [informational sessions on becoming a Mesquite public safety dispatcher](#). Staff will provide information about the job and other opportunities in public safety communications. The Parks & Recreation Department will hold its annual Haunted Camp Out for families at Rorie Galloway Day Camp; [register your family online](#). The Mesquite Arts Center hosts [Austin-based trio Steel Betty](#) at the Black Box Theatre, and Downtown Mesquite provides an [evening of live music on the square](#) with 80s and 90s pop band Slick. View more events at cityofmesquite.com.



Give your input on Mesquite's redistricting plans

Mesquite is transitioning the system for electing its six Councilmembers to a single-member-district system. Give input and ask questions during a public meeting at 7 p.m. October 16, at Florence Recreation Center, [2501 Whitson Way](#), and at 7 p.m. October 18, at Rutherford Senior Center, [900 Rutherford Drive](#). Learn more at

cityofmesquite.com/Redistricting.



Contact Us

We want to hear from you. If you have a concern or are experiencing an issue, please contact the City of Mesquite at [972-288-7711](tel:972-288-7711) or visit the City's website at cityofmesquite.com/FAQ for assistance.

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