



October 26, 2018



## Mesquite earns Texas Main Street designation

This week the Texas Historical Commission (THC) designated Mesquite as one of the new incoming 2019 Texas Main Street cities. THC made the announcement today at their quarterly commission meeting in Laredo. Mesquite will officially enter the THC's Texas Main Street Program on January 1, bringing the number of fully designated Main Street communities in Texas to 89. The Texas Main Street designation is a catalyst for the City to open up new doors of economic opportunities for Downtown Mesquite. [Read more about the new designation.](#)



## Honor Mesquite's Real. Texas. Heroes. October 28

Join us as we honor Mesquite's first responders during the Real. Texas. Heroes. celebration at 4 p.m. Sunday, October 28, in front of the Mesquite Police Department, [777 N. Galloway Ave.](#) The free event includes special presentations, music, and complimentary ice cream provided by Blue Bell Creameries, Inc. The event also kicks off the Mesquite Police Department's annual [Santa Cop toy drive](#) to assist children and families in need during the holiday season. Attendees are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy to donate to the program.



## Mesquite Police Department lowers crime with prevention efforts and help from residents

Mesquite residents have known for some time that their community has appreciated a 30-year low in overall crime, now they can feel safer as the Mesquite Police Department releases new facts. After comparing the results of their crime prevention efforts, the department has confirmed a 45 percent decrease in residential burglaries from July to September of 2018 compared to the same three months in 2015. There was also a 26 percent reduction in overall robberies during the first nine months of 2018 compared to the same period in 2017. [Read MPD's full public safety update.](#)

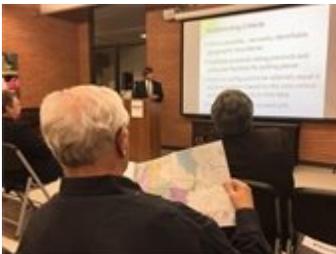
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## Discuss Mesquite's Comprehensive Plan during Town Hall Tuesday

Join the conversation as Mesquite updates its Comprehensive Plan. City leadership will discuss the plan and answer questions during Town Hall Tuesday at 7 p.m. October 30 at City Hall, [757 N. Galloway Ave.](#) The Comprehensive Plan is the tool used to address future land uses, transportation opportunities, housing and neighborhoods, and the overall long-term design and character of our community. [Learn more and take a community survey.](#)

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## Watch public meetings on Mesquite City Council redistricting

The City of Mesquite held two public meetings last week to discuss plans to transition the system for electing the City's six Council members. Watch a video of the [meeting held October 16](#) and the [meeting held October 18](#). Learn more at [cityofmesquite.com/Redistricting](http://cityofmesquite.com/Redistricting).

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## Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Inc. hosts Recycles Day event November 10

Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Inc. hosts its semi-annual Recycles Day event from 8 a.m. to noon November 10. This drive-through recycling and donation event will take place in the front parking lot of Poteet High School, [3300 Poteet Drive](#). [View event details and a list of accepted materials](#). The event is free and open to Mesquite residents. For more information, call [972-329-8331](#).

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## Mesquite hosts event to grow small businesses

Mesquite's Business Retention and Expansion team will host a [Mesquite Entrepreneurs Day event](#) from 3 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, November 13 at The Gathering at Corner Theatre, [214 W. Davis St](#). Tickets are \$20 each and seating is limited. The event features a presentation by national speaker and community developer Monte Anderson of Options Real Estate Investments, Inc. Attendees will have access to a series of mini workshops and business development resources, as well as interaction with more than 20 experts available for questions, answers and networking. [Register today](#).

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## New City Attorney leads legal department

This week Mesquite announced David Paschall as the new City Attorney. He replaces B.J. Smith who retired in April. Paschall's commitment to Mesquite includes serving on the City's Planning and Zoning Commission and as a member of the City Council. [Read more about City Attorney David Paschall](#).

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## The Amazing Santacolor 5K hosted by Mesquite Education Foundation

Lace up your holiday running shoes and join The Amazing Santacolor 5K on November 10. This event marks the arrival of Santa to [Town East Mall](#) for the holiday season, and proceeds benefit teachers and students of Mesquite Independent School District. This non-timed, non-competitive event includes lots of color and holiday themed fun including snow machines and photos with Santa. The event takes place at [2063 Town East Mall](#) from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Learn more and register at [mesquitefoundation.org](http://mesquitefoundation.org).



## Remember to vaccinate and register your pet

Show appreciation to your furry friends by having all pets registered and vaccinated. The City of Mesquite requires annual pet registration which is offered at Mesquite Animal Services, [1650 Gross Road](#). Registration fee is \$5 for sterilized pets and \$15 for non-sterilized pets. Proof of current rabies vaccination is required at the time of registration. Pet owners with questions can call shelter staff at [972-216-6283](tel:972-216-6283). [Learn more about protecting your pet with vaccinations.](#)



## 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](http://cityofmesquite.com/FAQ) for assistance.

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