



August 14, 2020



City Council meets Aug. 17

Mesquite City Council will meet on Aug. 17, in Training Rooms A & B, at City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Avenue. The Pre-Meeting begins at 5 p.m. followed by a staff Work Session at 6:30 p.m. and the Regular Meeting at 7 p.m. The meeting location will not be open to the public. The public may participate by telephone conference using the following toll-free dial-in number 877-853-5257 and using the meeting ID: 846 2257 0868##. Press *9 to raise your

virtual hand and you will be recognized by the last four digits of your telephone number. Members of the public desiring to comment during the Citizens Forum via telephone conference must preregister as follows: Send an email or call the City Secretary on or before 3 p.m. on Aug. 17 at sland@cityofmesquite.com or 972-216-6244. Provide the City Secretary with your name and address. If appearing at the meeting by telephone conference, also provide the phone number from which you will call. The meeting will be audible to all participants and allow for their two-way communication. Comments on agenda items may be made during the meeting or by submission on or before 3 p.m. on Aug. 17, to the following email address: sland@cityofmesquite.com. [Click here to read more about this meeting.](#) [View meeting agendas online.](#) The City broadcasts meetings via Facebook Live and at www.cityofmesquite.com/WatchCouncilMeetings.



Mesquite Police Department dismantles major narcotics trafficking organization

The Mesquite Police Department Narcotics Unit began an investigation on a low-level local narcotics dealer who was selling small amounts of marijuana and illegal THC products in Mesquite. That investigation led to the arrest of not only the local dealer but also identified numerous high-level narcotics traffickers involved in a larger-scale drug trafficking organization. This organization is suspected of transporting thousands of pounds of illegal marijuana and

delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) products into Texas and multiple states across the U.S. [Read more.](#)

Mesquite residents have access to COVID-19 recovery caseworker



As a part of their ongoing Recovery Mesquite efforts, the City of Mesquite announced Mesquite residents have access to a Spanish bilingual caseworker to aid them in submitting applications through Catholic Charities Dallas (CCD) for COVID-19 economic assistance funds for rental or mortgage payments, utility bills and other related expenses. [Learn more.](#)



Mesquite businesses have until Aug. 23 to apply for new loans from Dallas county

As part of its Recovery Mesquite efforts, the City of Mesquite announced small businesses located in Mesquite and who have been economically impacted by COVID-19 can apply for up to \$50,000 in forgivable loans through the Dallas County Emergency Business

Assistance Program. The application period is Aug. 10 - 23. Businesses can visit <https://ndconline.org/NTXsmallbiz/> to get the details. [Learn more.](#)



Take your keys. Lock your car. Hide your things.

During these uncertain times, one thing is certain; crime happens because of opportunity and it takes all of us working together to eliminate the opportunity for crime to occur. So far in 2020, approximately 58% of Burglary of Motor Vehicles in Mesquite have been from unlocked vehicles. The Mesquite Police Department would like to remind residents to take your keys. Lock your vehicle

and hide valuables and documents out of sight. Don't become a victim of opportunity.



Mesquite announces new Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Inc. Program Administrator

Selket Daese is the new Program Administrator for Keep Mesquite Beautiful, Inc. (KMB). The non-profit, volunteer-based organization is funded by the City of Mesquite and leads litter prevention programs, plans special

beautification programs and youth activities that improve the appearance and cleanliness of Mesquite. [Learn more.](#)



Mesquite Police Department.

Citizen donates gloves to Mesquite Police Department

The Mesquite Police Department would like to thank Dinah Simington for donating disposable personal protective equipment (PPE) for officers who utilize PPE during their daily interactions with the members of the public. The thoughtfulness of citizens during these recent weeks have been phenomenal and we cannot thank everyone enough for their continued support of the



Bloomfield Homes continues to see home sales in Ridge Ranch

Bloomfield Homes is building the new Ridge Ranch community in Mesquite. It features an amenity center and is located close to schools and Heritage Trail. [Watch the Mesquite Minute](#) interview with Bloomfield Homes President Don Dykstra as he discusses the success of the project.



Census takers will be in Mesquite neighborhoods

As part of its Nonresponse Follow-up Operation, the U.S. Census Bureau is visiting every household that has not already responded to the 2020 Census to ensure a complete and accurate count. Complete your Census by September 30 by texting icount2020 to 313131, online at <https://my2020census.gov/> or by phone at 844-330-2020 for English or 844-468-2020 for Spanish.



Experience the Mesquite Championship Rodeo

On Saturday, Aug. 15, experience the fun of the [Mesquite Championship Rodeo](#) at the Mesquite Arena, 1818 Rodeo Drive. Buy tickets at www.visitmesquitetx.com/rodeotickets.



KMB July Yard of the Month Winners

Every summer, from June through October, members of the Keep Mesquite Beautiful (KMB) Landscape Committee select up to five residences within the city limits of Mesquite to receive the Yard of the Month Award. Congratulations to the Keep Mesquite Beautiful July Yard of the Month Winners: Wayne Dennis, Fred and Debbie Bayer, and Bobby Shires. To nominate a yard [click here](#). For more information on the Yard of the Month program, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/YardoftheMonth.




Mesquite Summer Challenge Series


To celebrate summer, the Mesquite Parks and Recreation Department is hosting a new, virtual challenge each week for residents. Next week's challenge in the "The Mesquite Summer Challenge Series" is called Target Practice where competitors will try to knock a balloon off a cup with a frisbee. [Watch the PSA](#). For questions contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 972-216-6260 or visit www.cityofmesquite.com/MesquiteSummerChallenge.


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