



November 19, 2021



Mesquite Mayor and City Councilmembers sworn in

At the Nov. 15 Mesquite City Council meeting, a ceremony was held to install the newly elected Mayor and City Councilmembers. This included Mayor Daniel Alemán, Jr. as the first Latino Mayor in the history of Mesquite. In addition to [Mayor Alemán](#), the following newly elected City Councilmembers were installed: [Kenny Green, Place 2](#); [Tandy Boroughs, Place 4](#); [B. W. Smith, Place 5](#); and [Debbie Anderson, Place 6](#). [Watch the canvass of the election and Oaths of Office.](#) [Learn more.](#)



Properly dispose of fats, oils and grease during the holidays

Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) is the residue left over from cooking meat, butter, sauces, oil and dairy products. FOG and debris poured down drains can cause expensive sewer backups to homeowners. The City's Utilities Division is providing free grease disposal bags during the month of November to Mesquite residents at the Water Billing Office, while supplies last. Also, used holiday cooking oil may be recycled for free at the Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center, 11234 Plano Road, or at a drop-off location listed on the Defend Your Drains website at www.defendyourdrainsnorthtexas.com. For more information about FOG and the free grease disposal bag visit, www.cityofmesquite.com/FOG.



Parks and Recreation offers Turkey Camp

Over Thanksgiving break, kids ages 6 - 12 can spend a day or the whole week playing games, creating holiday crafts and experiencing other fun activities. Turkey Camp will be available at Dunford Recreation Center, 1015 Grand Canyon Drive from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 22 – 24 and Nov. 26. There will be no camp on Thursday, Nov. 25. The fee is \$20 per day, per resident and \$30 per day for non-residents. Register online at www.cityofmesquite.com/HolidayCamps.



Shop Mesquite on Small Business Saturday

With the holiday shopping season approaching, the City of Mesquite is encouraging citizens to shop local and shop Mesquite. Kick off the holiday shopping season on Saturday, Nov. 27 with Small Business Saturday. Start your visit at the Downtown Mesquite Farmers Market at Front Street Station, 100 W. Front Street, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., which will feature gift ideas galore as well as free totes for the first 100 visitors. Plus enjoy special promotions all day at participating businesses in Downtown Mesquite. [Learn more](#).



MCPAAA hosts Santa Cop Toy Parade on Dec. 4

The Mesquite Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association (MCPAAA) announces the 24th Annual Santa Cop Toy Parade on Dec. 4, benefitting the Mesquite Santa Cop Program. Hundreds of motorcyclists from across the Metroplex are expected to attend. Early registration lasts until Dec. 3 and the fee is a \$10 donation. [Learn more about the Mesquite Santa Copy](#)

[Toy parade](#).



Christmas in the Park is Dec. 4 and 5

Join us at Christmas in the Park at Westlake Park, 421 Gross Road on Saturday, Dec. 4 and Sunday, Dec. 5. This family friendly event features carnival rides, arts and crafts, photos with Santa and much more! For more information, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/ChristmasinthePark.



Code staff. [Learn more.](#)

Keep Mesquite Beautiful announces Yard of the Month winners

Keep Mesquite Beautiful (KMB), Inc. concluded their 2021 Yard of the Month program, and announced two winners for the month of October. They are the residential properties owned by Donny and Janet Hall in District 6, and Cindy and Brian Leonard in District 1. Winners are chosen by members of the KMB Landscape Committee and the City of Mesquite's Environmental



Meter conversion project continues

The City of Mesquite has started a meter conversion project for all its residential and commercial water utility customers. The company Ameresco and their subcontractor Pedal Valve (PVI) were chosen to replace outdated manual meters with upgraded meters as part of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project which will upgrade and modernize the City's water billing infrastructure. With this AMI water meter project, customers will have access to more frequent detailed

information about water consumption, enabling them to have better control over their water usage and monthly bills. [Watch a video explaining the project.](#) [Learn more.](#)

New solid waste ordinance

As a part of its new Clean City Initiative, the Mesquite City Council approved new requirements for its solid waste customers, which include trash being secured in trash bags within an approved trash container, specific times on when the trash can be set out for collection and limits on bulky items. The City of Mesquite held a Town Hall Tuesday meeting on Oct. 12 about the changes.

[Watch the meeting.](#) Click here to read answers to frequently asked questions in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). For

more details, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/SolidWaste.



Serve on a City of Mesquite Board or Commission

The City of Mesquite is looking for new partners to serve on its boards and commissions. By becoming a board or commission member you will have an active voice, be involved in your community and advise the City Council and staff on a wide range of opportunities. [Learn more.](#)




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