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## Mesquite approves five cent tax rate reduction

The City of Mesquite approved the fiscal year 2022-23 budget at its August 15 meeting which includes a tax rate of .65814. This tax rate is 5 cents below the current tax rate. Read more [here](#).



## 12th annual Mesquite Meander

The 12th annual Mesquite Meander at Mesquite Cemetery, 400 Holley Park Drive, will be held on October 7 and 8. Ticket sales begin August 22, \$10 per person. Purchase by calling 972-216-6468 or email [historicmesquite@cityofmesquite.com](mailto:historicmesquite@cityofmesquite.com) for more information.



## 50+ Cornhole Tournament

Join friends indoors on a hot summer day for a 50 plus cornhole double elimination tournament. The tournament will be held on Wednesday, August 24, at 9:30 a.m., at Goodbar Recreation Center, 3000 Concord Drive. Sign up is available at Goodbar Recreation Center or at the Parks and Recreation Administration Office, 1515 N. Galloway Ave. This event is free.



## Rodeo Founder passes away

The City mourns the loss of Neal Gay, a founding member of the Mesquite Championship Rodeo. He began a career of bull riding, bareback riding and bulldogging, traveling all over the nation before founding the Mesquite Rodeo in 1957. You can share memories or leave a note to his family on Mr. Gay's tribute wall [here](#).



## Voluntary Water Conservation

The City of Mesquite is asking residents and businesses to conserve water voluntarily due to continued unseasonably hot temperatures and a lack of rainfall. As a result, residents and businesses are reminded of the city's water conservation plan which limits watering to twice per week, before 10 a.m. and after 6 p.m. Watering during these hours in hot temperatures eliminates evaporation. [Read more here](#).



## Visit the Mesquite Farmers Market

There is no better way to start your weekend in Mesquite than by visiting the Downtown Mesquite Farmers Market. The weekly marketplace of fresh produce and creative artisans will take place Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. through Nov. 26 at Front Street Station. For more details, visit [www.downtownmesquitetx.com](http://www.downtownmesquitetx.com).



## Spread the Love this summer

Spread the Love is an annual campaign that runs through Labor Day that encourages the donation of peanut butter and jelly as well as financial contributions to help feed children in Mesquite during the summer who live in food insecure environments. These children receive free or reduced lunch during the school year but need assistance to receive nutritious lunch during the summer break. [Learn more](#).

## August Sales Tax




The City of Mesquite August sales tax receipts, which represent sales activity for the month of June, was 7.6 percent above the amount reported for the same period last year. The current increase in sales activity is driven by utilities, wholesale trade, manufacturing, food, grocery and home furnishings. Sales tax contributes 28 percent of the total revenue used to support the General Fund. The City uses the General Fund for services including police, fire, parks and recreation, libraries,


neighborhood services and public works.


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