



July 12, 2024



Storm debris update

Crews have collected 1,500 tons of brush this past week for a total of more than 8,500 tons of storm debris in the past seven weeks. We anticipate completion of the first sweep by the end of this week.

The second sweep will begin July 15 and will go from north to south to collect both storm debris and bulk items.

It is our hope that residential trash collection will return to normal in early August. Until normal operations resume, Solid Waste will not be accepting special requests for pick ups.

Please help us speed up the process by:

- Separating bulk trash and other materials from the brush
- Making sure vehicles are not blocking brush piles
- Monitoring any brush piles so that they do not block the street
- Remembering you can take vegetative debris and bulk items to the City's Convenience Center, located at 3550 Lawson Road.

For more information on how to properly separate debris, please see the graphic with this post or visit www.cityofmesquite.com/SeparatingDebris.

Our crews have worked tirelessly to meet our cleanup goals. They have collected more brush and debris in seven weeks than they would have in an entire summer.

Thank you for the continued support in this recovery effort.



City Council to meet on July 15

The Mesquite City Council meets at 7 p.m. on Monday, July 15, at City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Ave. Members of the public, applicants and interested parties may attend the meeting in person.

Members of the public desiring to comment during Citizens Forum must preregister by either sending an email to sland@cityofmesquite.com or calling 972-329-8388 before 3 p.m. on July 15. Provide the City Secretary with your name and address. Comments on agenda items may be made during the meeting or by submission on or before 3 p.m. on July 15 to the City Secretary.

View meeting agendas online. The City broadcasts meetings via Facebook Live and at www.cityofmesquite.com/WatchCouncilMeetings.



Town Hall Tuesday on July 16

Please make plans to attend the next Town Hall Tuesday on July 16 to discuss the City's budget and answer resident questions.

The gathering will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Ave., in Training Rooms A and B upstairs.

Learn more by visiting www.cityofmesquite.com/TownHallTuesdays.



July is Park and Recreation Month

July is National Park and Recreation Month, and the Mesquite Parks and Recreation Department has a lot of fun events for all ages planned.

Special activities include a pop-up event from 9-11 a.m. on Saturday, July 20, at the Leash Free Zone at Copeland Park, 2250 Creek Crossing Road. Bring your dogs out for this free, family friendly playdate.

For more information about other events during National Park and Recreation Month, please visit www.cityofmesquite.com/July.

Use the hashtag #MesquiteParksandRec to tag your pictures on social media to show how you are enjoying Mesquite Parks and Recreation facilities during July.



Epic Summer for teens is underway

Epic Summer Experience has begun! Every Tuesday night in July, teens ages 12-17 are invited to enjoy free food, basketball, soccer, volleyball, crafts, music and more.

Epic Summer Experience will be held at Terry Middle School on July 23 and at Vanston Middle School on July

16 and July 30. Backpacks will not be allowed, and students will need to sign in upon arrival.

Epic Summer Experience is part of the City's Real. Texas. Teens. initiative that empowers youth with opportunities for personal growth and community engagement. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RealTexasTeens to learn more.



Leadership program for citizens open

The City of Mesquite in partnership with Mesquite ISD is looking for motivated citizens interested in learning about leadership, growing as civic leaders and contributing to the growth of our city and school district through Project LEAD.

Applications will be accepted now through July 19.

For more information and to submit your application, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/ProjectLEAD.



Monarch Fest! on July 20

Keep Mesquite Beautiful presents the 2nd annual Monarch Fest! from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 20 at the Mesquite Arts Center.

The free community festival includes a vendor market, concessions, live entertainment, face painting, arts and crafts for kids, demonstrations and three

contests: homemade cookie, homemade salsa and butterfly costume.

And don't miss a special appearance by KMB's new mascot! To sign up as a sponsor, to participate in the contests or for more information, visit www.KeepMesquiteBeautiful.org.



Art exhibitions on display at MAC

The Mesquite Arts Center is hosting two art exhibitions now through Sept. 20.

"**Feeling My Way**," on display in the Main Gallery, features the works of Marc Dominus and is described as "vibrant, layered and spontaneous." The show includes work completed over the past two years.

On display in the Chamber Gallery, "**You Just Had to Be There...**" by Assandre Jean-Baptiste captures what the artist calls "tales from the past." Jean-Baptiste re-imagines these moments through illustration and paint.

A reception with both artists will be held from 6-7:30 p.m. on Sept. 14 at the Arts Center.

Learn more about events and happenings at the Arts Center by visiting www.mesquiteartscenter.org.



Donate to two collections this summer

The City of Mesquite is collecting food for kids and solar eclipse glasses this summer.

Residents are invited to donate jars of peanut butter and jelly during the annual **Spread the Love** collection campaign, which runs through Labor Day (Sept. 2).

The City also is calling for donations of alternative butters that are safe for kids with nut allergies, such as sunflower seed butter or


pumpkin seed butter. Turn in donations at both Library locations, City Hall and the Municipal Center. To learn more, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/SpreadTheLove.


Also, the **Eclipse Glasses Roundup** launched in May to collect gently used viewing spectacles left over from the total solar eclipse on April 8. They will be donated to Astronomers Without Borders to send to places around the world that have eclipses coming up. Drop off solar glasses in good condition through July 15 at both Library locations, City Hall, the Municipal Center or any of the four Recreation Centers. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/EclipseGlassesRoundup to learn more.


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