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Mesquite becomes a comprehensive smoke-free city

The Mesquite City Council passed an ordinance on June 6 that prohibits smoking in places of employment after business hours and makes Mesquite the 51st city in Texas to be designated as a “comprehensive smoke-free city” by the American Heart Association. This ordinance replaces Section 10-99 of the City Code which only prohibited smoking in places of employment during business hours. The ordinance takes effect immediately. Smoking within indoor places of employment is now prohibited at all times, eliminating secondhand smoke exposure at the workplace. For details on the ordinance, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/SmokeFree.

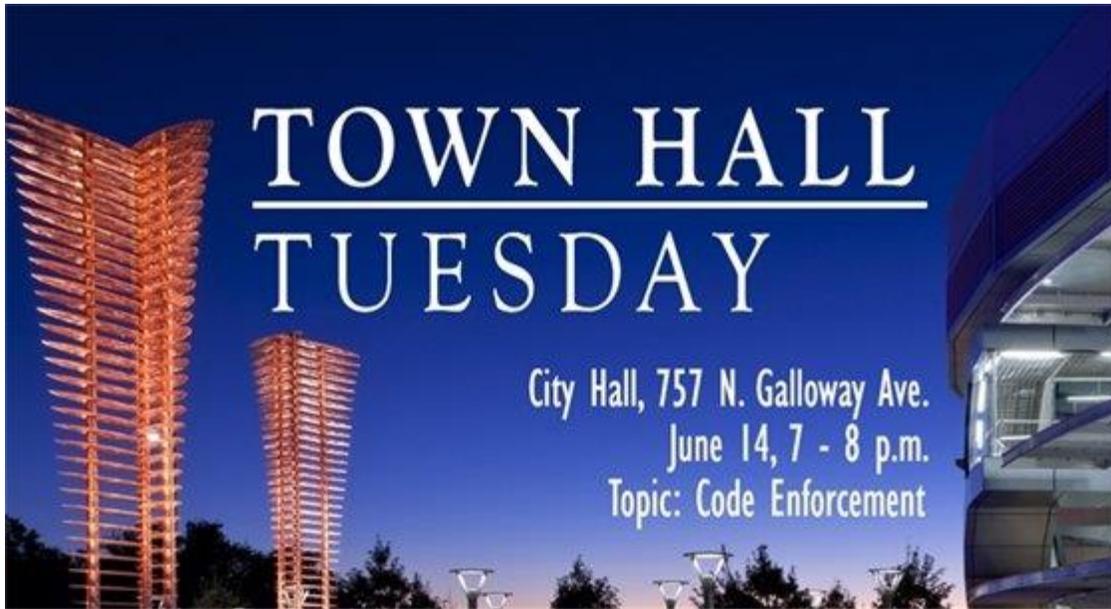
Photographic enforcement of school bus stop arm violations authorized

On June 6, the City Council passed an ordinance to allow the city to adopt a photographic enforcement program for school bus stop arm violations and establish a civil penalty of \$300 for violations. The photo enforcement system will capture illegal passing violations of vehicles while students are loading or unloading a school bus. The ordinance becomes effective July 1, 2016. An intergovernmental agreement with the Mesquite Independent School District was also authorized. No taxpayer dollars will be needed to fund the program. The equipment and program operation will be funded by citation revenue.



Real. Texas. Roads. Update

The pavement milling portion of the surface reconstruction phase of the Real. Texas. Roads. project has been completed on sections of Andrew, Barbara, Midway and Northridge Streets this week. Next week, the contractor will begin setting forms and reinforcing steel on these sections to pour the new surface. For details, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/RealTexasRoads.



Town Hall Tuesday to be held June 14

The next Town Hall Tuesday will feature Code Enforcement, and will be held June 14 from 7 - 8 p.m. at Mesquite City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Ave. Each Town Hall Tuesday features a new topic and includes activities to interact with city staff. For details, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/TownHallTuesdays.



Mesquite recognizes employees as Real. Texas. Service. Champions

Mesquite honored 11 city employees with Real. Texas. Service. Champion awards at the City Council meeting on June 6. The Real. Texas. Service. Champions program celebrates employees who provide exemplary customer service and attain unique accomplishments that merit special recognition. Visit www.cityofmesquite.com/ServiceChampions for information on the employees honored and their service to the community.



City Council celebrates Small Business Week

In recognition of National Small Business Week, the City Council recognized the owners of the four small Mesquite businesses who participated in a promotional video program. The businesses were Kookie Haven, Atheneos Authentic Greek Cuisine, Magee Machine & Manufacturing, Inc. and Windsor Florist.

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