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Fitness Connection

Fitness Connection, a national fitness center brand, submitted building plans for a space in the Towne Crossing Shopping Center. The plans show over 70,000 square feet including a cardio mezzanine, kid's recreation rooms, smoothie bar and large locker rooms complete with sauna and showers. Fitness Connection has locations in Nevada, North Carolina and Texas. Locally, Mesquite joins locations in Allen, Garland, Carrollton, Arlington and Irving. They plan to be open by December.



Signal batteries installed at intersections

Traffic Engineering staff installed back-up signal batteries at five intersections throughout the city. The batteries are designed to support the traffic signals in the event of a power outage and can power the signals for approximately 25 hours. The batteries were installed at Beltline/US-80; Galloway/US-80; Town East/IH-635; Cartwright/IH-635 and Galloway/Main/Davis.



Real. Texas. Roads Project Update

The contractor continued pouring concrete on Andrew, Barbara, Midway, and Northridge Streets this week. Notices have been sent out to residents on Caribbean, Hogan, Kiamesha, and Nabholtz streets to inform them of the upcoming surface reconstruction work that will begin on these streets next week. For additional information, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/realtexasroads.



Public meeting held on Gus Thomasson Road reconstruction project

The City held a public meeting on Thursday, June 30 regarding preliminary plans for the reconstruction of Gus Thomasson Road, from U.S. 80 to Town East Boulevard. A public question and answer session was also offered. Approximately 170 residents were in attendance. For more information or to view the presentation shown at the meeting, visit www.cityofmesquite.com/GTRoad.



Applications now being accepted for 2016 Citizen Fire Academy

The Fire Department is now accepting applications for the 2016 Citizen Fire Academy (CFA). The academy is a nine-week program which provides residents the opportunity to learn about the Fire Department directly from city firefighters and officers. The program is held once a year and begins in September. The academy includes both classroom education and hands-on learning experience with the men and women of the department. Individuals interested in participating can complete an application available at www.cityofmesquite.com/FireAcademy.



Mosquito update

This week, four of the City's mosquito traps tested positive for West Nile Virus. Staff will conduct sprayings of the impacted areas this weekend. The sprayings will be limited on Sunday and Monday to prevent interference with Fourth of July festivities.

City offices and STAR Transit closed on July 4

City offices and facilities will be closed on Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. The closures include:

All recreation centers;
The Compost Facility and Convenience Center;
No trash or recycling collected;
Both libraries;
Mesquite Animal Shelter;
Mesquite Metro Airport;
Mesquite Arts Center;
Florence Ranch Homestead and Opal Lawrence Park;
Mesquite Convention and Visitors Bureau.

STAR Transit will also be closed on July 4 and will reopen Tuesday at 8 a.m. This includes the DART Express Bus Route 282 (COMPASS), Balch Springs Midtown Express and the Kaufman Trolley. Visit www.STARtransit.org for more information.

Contact your City

Let us hear from you. If you have a concern or are experiencing an issue, please contact the City at 972-288-7711, or visit the City's website at www.cityofmesquite.com/questions.