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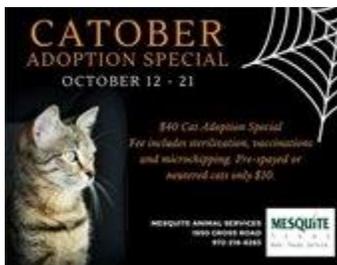


## Mesquite City Council to meet on October 16; Includes Annexation Public Hearing

On Monday, October 16, the Mesquite City Council Pre-Meeting will begin at 5 p.m. in Training Rooms A and B at Mesquite City Hall, located at 757 N. Galloway Avenue. The City Council Regular Meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the City Council Chamber. View the meeting agenda online at [www.cityofmesquite.com/CouncilAgenda](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/CouncilAgenda) or watch the meeting live online at [www.cityofmesquite.com/WatchCouncilMeetings](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/WatchCouncilMeetings).

The 7 p.m. Regular Meeting will include a public hearing to consider annexation of approximately 8.625 square miles of territory within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction. All interested parties are invited to appear and be heard concerning the proposed annexation. Visit [www.cityofmesquite.com/Annexation](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/Annexation) for more information.

The meeting will also be broadcast via Facebook Live. Councilmembers and City staff will not be able to answer questions during the broadcast. City staff will address questions after the meeting. The City welcomes public engagement and encourages all participants to embrace the City's social media guidelines [www.cityofmesquite.com/socialmedia](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/socialmedia).



## Mesquite Animal Services offers cat adoption special through October 21

Mesquite Animal Services, located at 1650 Gross Road, is offering a \$40 Cat Adoption Special through October 21. The adoption fee includes sterilization, vaccinations and microchipping. In addition, pre-spayed or neutered cats may be adopted for only \$10 during the special. Visit

[www.cityofmesquite.com/AnimalServices](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/AnimalServices) for hours of operation and more information.



## PumpkinFest to be held October 21

The 17th annual PumpkinFest will be held on Saturday, October 21, from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at City Lake Park, located at 403 S. Galloway Avenue. Activities will include contests, carnival games, bounce houses, pony rides, community stage performances and more. Admission is

free, but some activities will have a fee.

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## Town Hall Tuesday on public safety to be held October 24

The City of Mesquite will host its next Town Hall Tuesday on October 24 from 7 - 8 p.m. at Mesquite City Hall, 757 N. Galloway Avenue. Members of the Mesquite Fire

Department will offer an array of safety tips residents can use at home and when out in the community. Visit [www.cityofmesquite.com/TownHall](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/TownHall) for more information.

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## The Amazing Technicolor 5K to be held October 28

The Amazing Technicolor 5K will be held on Saturday, October 28, from 9 - 10:30 a.m. at the Mesquite Convention Center, 1700 Rodeo Drive. Each participant

will be a blank canvas at the starting line and be transformed into a colorful collage by the end of the race. The race benefits the Mesquite Education Foundation. Registration costs vary. Children under the age of five are free, but will not receive a race packet. Visit [www.mesquitefoundation.org/AT5K](http://www.mesquitefoundation.org/AT5K) for more information.

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## Mesquite Public Library System adopts no fine policy

Effective October 1, the Mesquite Public Library System adopted a new "no fine" policy for overdue materials. Fines will no longer be charged for

items returned after the due date. Previously accrued fines will also be forgiven if the items are returned in good condition. Library users are still responsible for returning all materials checked out. If an item is not returned within ten weeks of the initial check out date, the library cardholder will be billed for the replacement cost of the item and may be charged a processing fee. The associated account will also be blocked. This new policy was adopted in an effort to improve customer relations, increase participation in library programs and services, and encourage a higher return rate of library materials.

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## More than 1,100 volunteers participate in Addressing Mesquite Day

On October 7, the Mesquite Ministerial Alliance and City of Mesquite hosted Addressing Mesquite Day. City staff and Councilmembers teamed with clubs, businesses, civic and faith-based organizations to make exterior repairs to 98 homes. More than 1,100 volunteers participated. This annual one-day event focuses on home repairs needed by senior citizens, single parents, military veterans, and disabled homeowners in Mesquite. Area businesses also provided \$50,000 in monetary and in-kind donations to assist with the program. Visit [www.cityofmesquite.com/AMD](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/AMD) for more information.



## Monthly sales tax report

The State Comptroller's Office reported a 0.6 percent increase in the City's sales tax collections for the month of October. October's report is based on sales reported by local businesses during the month of August. Year-to-date collections are trending \$460,000 above budget, which is a 0.9 percent increase for the fiscal year. For more detailed information on how the City uses its sales tax revenue, visit [www.cityofmesquite.com/Transparency](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/Transparency).



## Contact Us

Let us hear from you. If you have a concern or are experiencing an issue, please contact the City of Mesquite at 972-288-7711 or visit the City's website at [www.cityofmesquite.com/CitizenRequest](http://www.cityofmesquite.com/CitizenRequest) for assistance.

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