

City of Mesquite, Texas

Legislation Text

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Conduct a public hearing and consider possible action for Zoning Text Amendment No. 2019-03 amending Chapter 8 of the City Code by adding Article XIV entitled “Special Events and Parades” thereby establishing regulations pertaining to special events and parades; amending Chapters 3, 8, 9, 10 and 10.5 of the City Code pertaining to special events and amending Chapter 1 of the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance pertaining to special events.

(The Planning and Zoning Commission recommends approval of the zoning text amendment.)

Special events and parades, including outdoor events in the City streets, sidewalks and parks and large outdoor events on private property, create significant demands upon City resources and infrastructure. In order to conserve and allocate City resources and to adequately protect the public safety of event participants, neighboring property owners, residents and businesses, it is necessary to regulate the use of the City’s parks, streets and public areas in connection with parades and special events.

The intent of this article is to ensure that the City will have adequate advance notice of outdoor events and the ability to plan and allocate the City services that will be needed while recouping the City’s costs associated with outdoor events. The proposed ordinance will replace the current permits that are associated with special events and outline the requirements that will help to ensure that special events are run in a safe and respectful manner. This will also identify one single input for all special events and define a systematic process in which applicable departments are involved in communication and approval of special events.

Recommended/Desired Action

Staff recommends postponement to the September 3, 2019, City Council meeting.

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