

ORDINANCE NO. 897

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE; BY PROHIBITING PARKING IN A MARKED FIRE LANE; BY PROVIDING UNDER THE POLICE POWERS GRANTED, THE RIGHT TO REMOVE AND IMPOUND ANY VEHICLE LEFT UNATTENDED IN A MARKED FIRE LANE; BY PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; BY PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED (\$200.00) DOLLARS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 10 of the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas, is hereby amended to add a new sub-section (o) to Section 10-54 to read as follows; in all other respect to remain in full force and effect:

- (o) Upon or within an area marked as a fire lane, pursuant to Section 8-20A, of this Code or as may hereinafter be by ordinance defined.

SECTION 2. That Chapter 10 of the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas, is hereby amended to add a new Section 10-54A to read as follows; in all other respects to remain in full force and effect:

In addition to any penalty provided herein or by any other Ordinance or Statute, the City of Mesquite shall have the right, under the police powers granted, to remove and impound at the owner's expense any vehicle left unattended in a marked fire lane whether such fire lane shall be upon a public street or private property. No liability shall exist upon the part of said City for any loss, damage or inconvenience to the owner by reason of such removal of said vehicle.


SECTION 3. That should any word, phrase, sentence, paragraph or section of this Ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction in the Corporation Court shall be subject to a fine not to exceed Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars for each offense.

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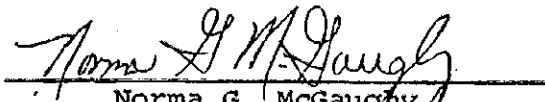
SECTION 5. The fact that the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas, is inadequate to afford the necessary protection to the inhabitants of the City constitutes an urgency and an emergency for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and the publication of the caption of said Ordinance, as the law in such cases provides.

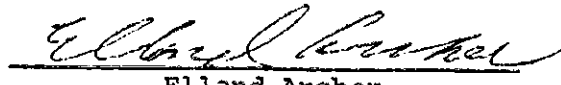
DULY PASSED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 20th day of October, A.D., 1970.


George Boyce
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Norma G. McGaughy
City Secretary


Elland Archer
City Attorney