

ORDINANCE NO. 1118

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION AND COMPOSITION OF THE MESQUITE CITIZENS TRAFFIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMISSION; BY PROVIDING FOR THE PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES OF SUCH COMMISSION; BY PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS AND PROVIDING THE ORGANIZATIONS FOR WHICH CERTAIN MEMBERS SHALL BE REPRESENTATIVES, AND BY PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITION OF MEMBERSHIP; BY PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF SAID ORDINANCE.

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

SECTION 1. Creation and Composition

There is hereby created and established a citizens group to be known as the Mesquite Citizens Traffic Safety Advisory Commission which shall consist of eighteen members to be appointed as follows:

- A. Six members to be appointed by the City Council at large for a term of one year, and
- B. Twelve members to be appointed by the City Council for a term of one year to represent the following organizations and groups:

Chamber of Commerce Highways and Streets Committee
Local Council of P.T.A.s
Mesquite Insurance Association
Mesquite Bar Association
Mesquite Council of Women's Clubs
Local industries safety programs
Youth
Mesquite Men's Organizations
Builders and developers
Mesquite Ministerial Alliance
Apartments and townhouse tenants or owners
Senior Citizens

In addition thereto, the Traffic Safety Coordinator shall be ex-officio advisory member to the Commission without the right to vote. Unless otherwise provided, all dealings by

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members of the Commission with any City staff member or employee shall be through the City Manager's designated representative, who until otherwise specified, shall be the traffic coordinator.

A majority of the membership of the Commission shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of transacting business.

Officers of the Commission to be elected annually by the voting membership shall include a Chairman, a Vice Chairman and a Secretary-Recorder.

Terms of appointment shall be effective from the date appointment is made by the City Council and for the length of the appointed term and until a successor has been qualified. Commission vacancies shall be filled in the same manner and for the same purpose as the original appointment and shall be for the unexpired portion of the term.

Members shall serve without any financial remuneration or compensation.

Attendance at all meetings is encouraged. Should a member fail to attend three consecutive meetings without prior notification of such inattendance, that member's appointment shall be considered terminated and written notice by the Secretary-Recorder shall be given to the City Council of the vacancy so that another appointment can be made.

The Commission shall meet at least every three months; or more often as may be desired, upon the call of the Chairman at such time and place as is necessary for the proper conduct of business. The time and place of regular meetings shall be determined by the membership.

SECTION 2. Purpose and Objectives

The purpose of the Commission shall be to coordinate citizen support for the city's traffic safety program. The Commission also may call attention to apparent traffic problems and traffic safety hazards, and may advise the City Council and City Officials that studies should be undertaken to determine

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appropriate solutions, if any. The Commission should encourage and make known the efforts of the City and of individual citizens toward finding solutions to problems of traffic safety, and should recommend ways and means of community involvement toward the objective of a safer city.

To accomplish such purpose and objectives, the Commission shall have the authority to establish committees whose membership and chairmen thereof shall be appointed by the Chairman with approval of the Commission; to undertake programs to accomplish the objectives stated herein; and to seek assistance as may be needed in the undertaking of such programs of traffic safety provided, however, that the Commission shall not incur any liability or expense on behalf of the City of Mesquite without prior approval of the City Council.

SECTION 3. Scope of Duties

The Commission shall annually prepare and submit to the City Council, both orally and in printed form, a comprehensive report of the past year's activities and accomplishments and a proposal and goals for the coming year.

SECTION 4. Addition of Membership

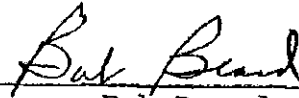
The City Council may increase or decrease the membership of the Commission to a larger or smaller number.

SECTION 5. The fact that we have no existing organization serving the City as Citizens Traffic Safety Advisory Commission, creates 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 after passage of said ordinance, as the law in such cases provides.

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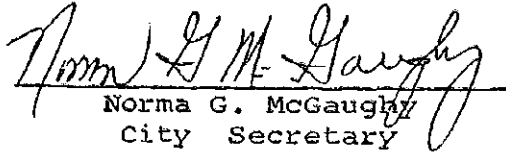
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DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City
of Mesquite, Texas, on the 4 day of June , A.D., 1973.



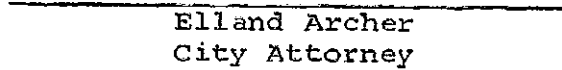
Bob Beard
Mayor

ATTEST:



Norma G. McGaughey
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Elland Archer
City Attorney