

ORDINANCE NO. 1478

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, REQUIRING PERSONS EMPLOYED IN OR BEING APPOINTED TO CERTAIN POSITIONS WITH THE CITY OF MESQUITE TO RESIDE WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR A REASONABLE TIME NOT TO EXCEED ONE YEAR FOR COMPLIANCE THEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITION OF POSITIONS AFFECTED AND PROVIDING A "GRANDFATHER CLAUSE" FOR CERTAIN PERSONS PRESENTLY EMPLOYED AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mesquite has determined that it is in the interest of the City of Mesquite that certain key employees be available on short notice due to the nature of their positions; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that this can best be accomplished by requiring all appointees to such key positions to reside within the corporate limits of the City of Mesquite at all times from and after one year after beginning work in such key position, whether such employees be new employees or current employees promoted to a key position.

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

SECTION 1. That in addition to any required qualification and cumulative thereto, it is hereby provided that any person presently employed in or hereinafter appointed to or beginning work in any key position as described herein or as may be hereafter amended, added or modified, shall, as a condition of such employment, be required to reside within the corporate limits of the City of Mesquite as such may lawfully exist at a given time; provided, however, that any person appointed or beginning work in such key position shall be given a reasonable time, not to exceed one year, to locate within the City in compliance with this requirement.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance shall not apply to any person employed in a key position as described herein on the effective date of this ordinance currently residing outside the City. Should such person locate within the City after the effective date of this ordinance, however, from and after such time such person shall be required as a condition of employment, to continue to reside within the City.

SECTION 3. The term "key position" for the purpose of this ordinance, and subject to addition, modification or amendment as may be required, shall encompass the following positions:

City Manager
Assistant City Manager

00050 Directors of all Departments presently established or as may be established including,

Director of Community Development
Director of Finance
City Attorney
Director of Library Services
Director of Parks & Recreation
Director of Personnel
Director of Public Services
Fire Chief
Police Chief
City Secretary

and other positions as follows:

Chief Accountant
Tax Assessor Collector
Data Processing Supervisor
Housing Administrator
Purchasing Agent
Assistant City Attorney
City Planner
City Engineer
Chief Building Inspector
Traffic Safety Coordinator
Chief Health Inspector
Deputy Fire Chief
Assistant Police Chief
Supervisor Library-Public Service
Supervisor Library-Technical Service
Superintendent of Recreation
Park Superintendent
Utilities Superintendent
Sanitation Superintendent
Service Center Superintendent
Street Superintendent

SECTION 4. Any ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation in conflict with this ordinance is hereby amended or modified to the extent of such conflict, but only to such extent, to the end that the provisions control, in all other respects such ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation to remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. The fact that there is no written requirement for certain employees in key positions to reside in close proximity to their place of employment creates an urgency and an emergency for the preservation of the public health, safety and

welfare and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from its passage and publication as the law in such cases provides.

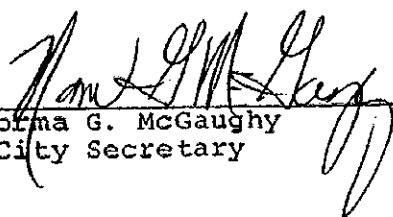
DULY PASSED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 18th day of December, A.D., 1978.



J. SMITH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Norma G. McGaughy
City Secretary

Elland Archer
City Attorney

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