

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 7 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE BY ADOPTING THE 1984 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE WITH CERTAIN DELETIONS, BY PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; BY PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$200.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY:

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

SECTION 1. That Chapter 7 of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended as follows, in all other respects to remain in full force and effect:

(1) Section 7-1 of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 7-1. Standards for installation of electrical equipment; adoption of National Electrical Code.

All installations of electrical equipment shall be reasonably safe to persons and property in conformity with the 1975 edition of the National Electrical Code, the National Electrical Safety Code or the electrical provisions of other safety codes approved by the American Standards Association. The National Electrical Code, 1984 edition, is hereby adopted as a part of this chapter the same as if copied in full herein.

Provided, however, that all wiring for electric light and power hereafter installed within the fire limits of the city and all wiring for electric light and power in service stations, churches, schools, theaters, hospitals, clinics, convalescent and nursing homes, places used for public gatherings and the unfurnished basements in all buildings other than dwellings designed for the occupancy of not more than two (2) families shall be installed in suitable, approved metallic conduits.

Provided, further, that non-metallic-sheathed cable, #10 copper conductors or smaller may be installed in commercial buildings wherein wood framing is utilized if the maximum occupancy of such building does not exceed one hundred (100) persons.

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(2) Section 7-1.1 of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended to read as follows:

The last paragraph of Section 305-4 (a & b) of the National Electrical Code, 1984 Edition, adopted by the City of Mesquite and requiring ground-fault circuit protection for personnel, is hereby deleted.

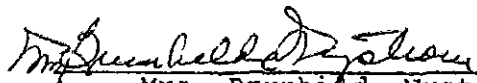
(3) Article 336-2 of the 1984 National Electrical Code is hereby deleted until January 1, 1985.

SECTION 2. That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph or provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. 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 Municipal Court shall be subject to a fine not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense.


SECTION 4. The fact that the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas, is inadequate for the necessary protection of the public comfort and general welfare, 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 6th day of August, A.D., 1984.


Mrs. Brunhilde Nystrom
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Lynn Prugel
City Secretary

Eiland Archer
City Attorney