

ORDINANCE NO. 2503

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS,
AMENDING SECTION 14-10 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF
MESQUITE RELATING TO STATIONARY VENDORS;
PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR
A PENALTY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 14-10 "Stationary vendors" of the Code of the City of Mesquite
is hereby amended as follows, in all other respects to remain in full force and effect:

A. That Section 14-10(b) is hereby amended by adding an additional *Exception* (4), to
read as follows:

- (4) This section shall not apply to vendors selling newspapers on a public street
between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m., provided that:
 - (a) The vendor wears a reflective vest when selling newspapers in the public
right-of-way;
 - (b) The vendor shall not stack or store newspapers in the median or the traveled
portion of any street;
 - (c) The vendor shall not stand or enter into the traveled portion of any street
except to complete the sales transaction;
 - (d) The vendor has a newspaper vending permit on file with the City for the
location. Vending permits for selling newspapers may be obtained from the
Records Division of the Police Department for Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) per
year for a street location without a grass median, and/or Seventy-five dollars
(\$75.00) per year for a location with a grass median.
 - (e) The vendor is not a minor.

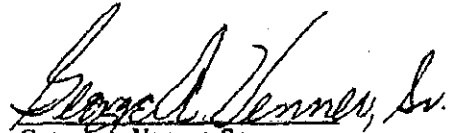
SECTION 2. That all ordinances, or portions thereof, of the City of Mesquite in conflict
with the provisions of this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict are hereby repealed. To
the extent that such ordinances or portions thereof are not in conflict herewith, the same shall
remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision clause, phrase, section or
provision of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid, the
same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof
other than the part or provision so decided to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid and shall
not affect the validity of any other ordinance of the City of Mesquite.

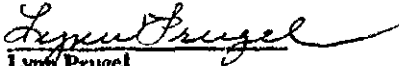
SECTION 4. That any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions or
terms of this ordinance shall be deemed to be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and upon
conviction in the Municipal Court shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Two Hundred
(\$200.00) Dollars for each offense.

SECTION 5. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are inadequate to protect the health and welfare of the inhabitants of the City of Mesquite creates an urgency and an emergency and necessitates that this ordinance become effective immediately from and after its date of passage and the publication of its caption as the law in such cases provides.


DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas on 4th day of January, A.D., 1988.


George A. Venner, Sr.
Mayor

ATTEST:


Lynn Prugel
City Secretary

APPROVED:


Jonathan Graham
City Attorney