ORDINANCE NO. 2680 File No. 2090-6

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING THE MESQUITE ZONING ORDINANCE DULY ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 4, 1973, AND RECODIFIED ON NOVEMBER 21, 1988, BY DELETING EXISTING SECTION 2-202E, GARAGE CONVERSIONS, AND ADOPTING A REVISED SECTION 2-202E, GARAGE CONVERSIONS; REPEALINGALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, through administration and experience, the Planning and Zoning Commission has determined that it is necessary to revise certain regulations so that the intended purposes of the Zoning Ordinance are best served; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission did give public notice and did hold public hearings regarding proposed revisions and has recommended amendment of the ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the City Council did give public notice and did hold public hearings regarding the proposed amendments;

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

SECTION 1. That the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance, duly adopted on September 4, 1973 and recodified on November 21, 1988, be and the same is hereby amended by deleting the existing Section 2-202E, Garage Conversions and adopting a new Section 2-202E, Garage Conversions, to read as follows:

The requirements of this ordinance regarding covered parking, parking behind the building line, and minimum masonry exterior shall not be interpreted to prevent the conversion of an attached garage to living area, provided that two (2) approved, off-street parking spaces remain available on the lot. Building permits are required for garage conversions.

SECTION 2. That should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision, clause, phrase, or section 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 so decided to be invalid, illegal, or unconstitutional and shall not affect the validity of the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance as a whole.

SECTION 3. 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 subject to the same penalty as provided for in the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance of 1973, as amended, and upon conviction in the Municipal Court shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Two Thousand (\$2000.00) Dollars for each offense.

SECTION 4. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are inadequate to protect the public interest, comfort, and general welfare of the City of Mesquite, 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 and after its passage and publication of said ordinance, as the law in such cases provides.

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DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 2nd day of July, 1990.

George A Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Lynn Frugel City Secretary

B.J. Smith City Attorney