ORDINANCE NO. ___2881

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 5 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS BY ADOPTING THE 1993 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE AND AMENDING SECTION 5-339, GENERAL REGULATIONS; PROVIDING 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 Chapter 5, of the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas is hereby amended as follows, in all other respects said Chapter and Code to remain in full force and effect:

(1) Section 5-336 of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5-336. National Electrical Code; adoption

The national Electrical Code, 1993 Edition, published by the National Fire Protection Agency, is hereby adopted by the City of Mesquite as part of this Chapter and subject to same.

(2) Section 5-339 of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 5-339. General Regulations

- (a) AC or MC cable Two (2) wire type AC or MC cable, shall be limited to use as fixture whips, in lengths not exceeding six (6) feet.
- (b) Non-metallic sheathed cable The use of non-metallic sheath cable shall be limited to use in single family, duplexes and multifamily dwellings.

Exception: Commercial buildings with wooden framing, and with occupant loads of less than 100, may utilize non-metallic sheathed cable in sizes not exceeding #10 gauge.

(c) Aluminum conductors - Use of aluminum conductors is prohibited.

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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. 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 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, creates an urgency and an emergency 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.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 21st day of June, 1993.

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary

City Attorney