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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 13, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 13-73 (1), PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF TEMPORARY OFF-PREMISES DIRECTIONAL GARAGE SALE SIGNS; 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 13, Article IV, Section 13-73 (r), of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended as follows, in all other respects said Code and Chapter to remain in full force and effect:

Sec. (r) Temporary off-premises directional garage sale signs.

- (1) Six (6) off-premises directional garage sale signs shall be allowed to be displayed on private property with the owner's written permission.
- (2) It shall be unlawful and an offense for any owner or person in control of a residence to hold more than two (2) garage sales at their residence during any calendar year or to hold a garage sale lasting longer than three (3) days.
- (3) Signs must be removed within four (4) hours of completion of the sale.
- (4) Placement of signs on overpasses, utility poles, trees, medians, traffic signs or other such public property is expressly prohibited.
- (5) Signs must not exceed five (5) square feet in area and may not exceed forty (40) inches in height.
- (6) Signs shall not be placed in such a way as to create a traffic hazard. The edge of signs shall be placed no closer than three (3) feet from the street curb or edge of the pavement.
- (7) Signs must be securely anchored. Signs may not be mounted on or placed in vehicles.

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.

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That any person, firm, or corporation violating any provisions or terms of this ordinance shall be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and upon conviction in the Municipal Court shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for each offense.

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That the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are inadequate to properly regulate the placement and use SECTION 4. of temporary off-premises directional garage sale signs within the City of Mesquite, Texas, creates an urgency and an emergency in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare and necessitates that this ordinance take effect immediately from and after its date of passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of ite. Texas on the 20th day of February , 1995. Mesquite, Texas on the 20th

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary

City Attorney