

ORDINANCE NO. 3143

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE BY ADDING LANGUAGE TO SECTION 9-147 SUBSECTIONS (1) AND (3); PROVIDING THE LOCATION AND TIME OF SAID SCHOOL ZONES AND ESTABLISHING THE MAXIMUM PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMIT DURING SUCH PERIOD TO BE TWENTY (20) MILES PER HOUR; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; 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. Section 9-147 of the Code of the City of Mesquite is hereby amended as follows, in all other respects to remain in full force and effect:

The following streets and portions thereof are hereby designated as school zones for the schools indicated and are zoned for a maximum speed of twenty (20) miles per hour during the times listed. Any speed in excess of said maximum shall be prima facie evidence that the speed is not reasonable or prudent, and that it is unlawful:

The following language is to be added to Section 9-147, Subsections (1) and (3), of the Code of the City of Mesquite:

- (1) School zone times for the following locations are from 7:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.:

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>LOCATION OF SCHOOL ZONE</u>
Rutherford	Sea Shell Drive from Covington Drive to 300 feet west of Covington Drive on Rutherford Drive.
	Sea Shell Drive from Covington Drive to 250 feet east of Covington Drive.

- (3) School zone times for the following locations are from 7:00 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.:

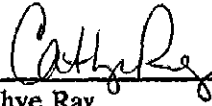
<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>LOCATION OF SCHOOL ZONE</u>
Black	Wilkinson Drive from Corta Drive to Sierra Drive.
	Sierra Drive from Wilkinson Drive to 250 feet east of Lindo Drive.

SECTION 2. 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 so decided to be unconstitutional, illegal, or invalid and shall not affect the validity of the remainder of Section 9-147, or any other provision of the Code of the City of Mesquite.

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 Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for each offense.

SECTION 4. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite do not adequately protect the safety of the inhabitants of the City creates an urgency and emergency and in the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare requires that this ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its passage and the publication of caption, as the law in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 3rd day of March, 1997.



Cathye Ray
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



Ellen Williams
City Secretary



B.I. Smith
City Attorney