

ORDINANCE NO. 3174

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2906 AND ESTABLISHING A NEW AMBULANCE TRANSPORT FEE TO BE EFFECTIVE FROM AND AFTER SEPTEMBER 16, 1997; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. That Ordinance No. 2906 is hereby repealed in its entirety and a new ambulance fee for the transportation of persons by City of Mesquite Fire Department Paramedic Ambulances is hereby established as follows, such fee to be effective from and after September 16, 1997.

- (a) A fee of two hundred thirty dollars (\$230.00) shall be charged per trip for a resident of the City of Mesquite for transportation to a medical facility by a City of Mesquite Fire Department ambulance.
- (b) A fee of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) shall be charged per trip for a non-resident of the City of Mesquite for transportation to a medical facility by a City of Mesquite Fire Department ambulance.
- (c) The person receiving the ambulance services, or the parent or guardian of a minor in the case service is provided to a minor, shall be responsible for payment of the fee.
- (d) The City Manager or his designate may create a policy whereby members of the same family involved in a common accident or incident be charged a lesser fee for family members after the first family member.

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. 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 15th day of September, 1997.




Mike Anderson
Mayor

ATTEST:



Ellen Williams
City Secretary

APPROVED:



B.J. Smith
City Attorney