

ORDINANCE NO. 3182

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, LEVYING THE AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1997 AT A RATE OF \$0.58148 PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE AS OF JANUARY 1, 1997, TO PROVIDE REVENUE FOR THE PAYMENT OF CURRENT EXPENSES AND INTEREST AND SINKING FUND REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR DUE AND DELINQUENT DATES TOGETHER WITH PENALTIES AND INTEREST; PROVIDING FOR PLACE OF PAYMENT; APPROVING THE 1997 TAX ROLLS AND ANY SUPPLEMENT THERETO; PROVIDING CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS; 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 there be and is, hereby levied for the year 1997 on all taxable property, real, personal, and mixed, situated within the corporate limits, of the City of Mesquite, and not exempt by the Constitution of the State and valid State Laws, a tax of \$ 0.58148 on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed valuation of taxable property, with a ratio of 100% of the market value, and shall be apportioned and distributed as follows:

For the purpose of defraying the current operating expenses of the municipal government a tax of \$.29112 and for interest and sinking fund of the municipal government a tax of \$.29036 on each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) assessed value of taxable property, with a ratio of 100% of the market value.

SECTION 2. Provided, however, that there is hereby adopted an exemption to ad valorem taxation in the amount of Forty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$45,000.00) on the residence homestead of individuals over the age of sixty-five (65) years of age, said "residence homestead" being as defined in Section 11.13(j) of the Property Tax Code.

Provided, also, that there is hereby adopted an exemption to ad valorem taxation in the amount of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) for a disabled person. A person must be classified as "disabled" for Social Security purposes and must be the owner of the property to qualify for the exemption.

Provided, however, a person is eligible for one exemption; the over sixty five (65) years of age exemption or the disabled person exemption.

SECTION 3. That all ad valorem taxes shall become due and payable on October 1, 1997, and all ad valorem taxes for the year 1997 shall become delinquent after January 31, 1998. If any person fails to pay the ad valorem taxes on or before the 31st day of January, 1998, the following penalties shall be payable thereon, to wit: During the month of February, six percent (6%) and an additional one percent (1%) for each month prior to July 1st and twelve percent (12%) on July 1 and there after.

SECTION 4. Taxes are payable in Mesquite, Texas, at the Municipal Building. The City shall have available all the rights and remedies provided by law for the enforcement of the collection of taxes levied under this Ordinance.

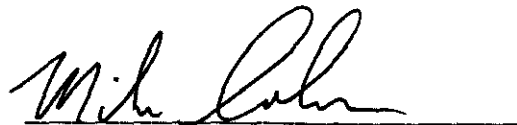
SECTION 5. That the 1997 tax rolls, as presented to the City Council, together with any supplement thereto, be, and the same are, hereby approved.

SECTION 6. All delinquent tax accrues interest at a rate of one percent (1%) for each month or portion of a month the tax remains unpaid.

SECTION 7. 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 8. The fact that it is necessary that this ordinance be enacted in order to authorize the collection of ad valorem taxes for 1997 creates an urgency and an emergency and requires that this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage 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:

APPROVED:



Ellen Williams  
City Secretary



B.J. Smith  
City Attorney

## CERTIFICATE FOR ORDINANCE

THE STATE OF TEXAS                   §  
COUNTY OF DALLAS                   §  
CITY OF MESQUITE                   §

We, the undersigned officers of said City, hereby certify as follows:

1. The City Council of said City convened in REGULAR MEETING ON THE 6TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1997, at the Municipal Center, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of said City Council, to-wit:

Mike Anderson, Mayor  
Mark Mims, Mayor Pro Tem  
Carole Lochhead, Deputy Mayor Pro Tem  
Stephen S. Alexander  
James Folks  
John L. Heiman, Jr.  
Steve Whitworth

Ellen Williams, City Secretary

and all of said persons were present, except the following absentees: None thus constituting a quorum. Whereupon, among other business, the following was transacted at said Meeting: a written

**ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, TAXABLE SERIES 1997, APPROVING AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE CONTRACT AND THE EXECUTION OF AN ESCROW AGREEMENT, AND MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE SECURITY THEREOF, AND ORDAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT**

was duly introduced for the consideration of said City Council and read in full. It was then duly moved and seconded that said Ordinance be passed; and, after due discussion, said motion carrying with it the passage of said Ordinance, prevailed and carried by the following vote:

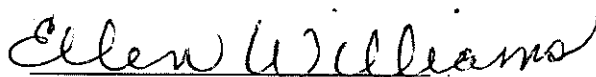
AYES: All members of said City Council shown present above voted "Aye".

NOES: None.

2. That a true, full and correct copy of the aforesaid Ordinance passed at the Meeting described in the above and foregoing paragraph is attached to and follows this Certificate; that said Ordinance has been duly recorded in said City Council's minutes of said Meeting; that the above and foregoing paragraph is a true, full and correct excerpt from said City Council's minutes of said Meeting pertaining to the passage of said Ordinance; that the persons named in the above and foregoing paragraph are the duly chosen, qualified and acting officers and members of said City Council as indicated therein; that each of the officers and members of said City Council was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place and purpose of the aforesaid Meeting, and that said Ordinance would be introduced and considered for passage at said Meeting, and each of said officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of said Meeting for such purpose, and that said Meeting was open to the public and public notice of the time, place and purpose of said meeting was given, all as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

3. That the Mayor of said City has approved and hereby approves the aforesaid Ordinance; that the Mayor and the City Secretary of said City have duly signed said Ordinance; and that the Mayor and the City Secretary of said City hereby declare that their signing of this Certificate shall constitute the signing of the attached and following copy of said Ordinance for all purposes.

SIGNED AND SEALED the 6th day of October, 1997.

  
City Secretary

  
Mayor

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