

ORDINANCE NO. 3282

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 13, SECTION 13-73 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, BY AMENDING SECTION 13-73(e)(2) AND SECTION 13-73(j), THEREBY LIMITING THE USE OF MULTIPLE GROUND AND POLE SIGNS TO SHOPPING CENTERS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; 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 Chapter 13, Section 13-73 of the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas, is hereby amended by amending section 13-73(e)(2) and section 13-73(j) to read as follows, in all other respects said Code, Chapter and Section to remain in full force and effect:

**Sec. 13-73. Specifications by type of sign -
Generally.**

- (e) *Ground signs*
- (2) For property not located on interstate highways with two (2) acres or more, one (1) per ownership, except that shopping centers will be allowed one (1) for each 300 feet of street frontage:
- a. Maximum area - Two hundred (200) square feet.
 - b. Maximum height - Thirty (30) feet.
 - c. Minimum set back - Twenty-five (25) feet from property lines.
 - d. Minimum distance to residential zoned property - Sixty (60) feet.
- (j) *Pole signs.* one (1) per ownership, except that shopping centers will be allowed one (1) for each 300 feet of street frontage:
- (1). Maximum area of sign face - Sixty (60) square feet.


- (2). Maximum height - Twenty-five (25) feet.
- (3). Minimum distance to other signs - Sixty (60) feet.
- (4). Minimum distance from bottom of the sign face to ground - Ten (10) feet.
- (5). Minimum distance to residential zoned property - Thirty (30) feet.
- (6). Maximum sign face - may not exceed Twelve (12) feet in any direction from outer edge to outer edge.

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 Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for each offense.

SECTION 4. That the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite are inadequate to adequately regulate signs creates an urgency and an emergency for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare 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.

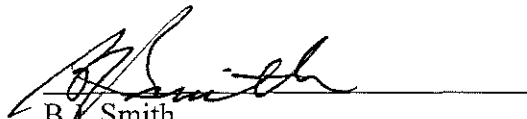
DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 15th day of February, 1999.


 Mike Anderson
 Mayor

ATTEST:


 Ellen Williams
 City Secretary

APPROVED:


 B.J. Smith
 City Attorney