ORDINANCE NO. 3306

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS. AMENDING THE CITY OF MESOUITE **GENERAL GOVERNMENT POLICIES** AND **PROCEDURES** BY DELETING SECTION 15.4(5) AND ADOPTING A NEW 15.4(5) THEREBY PROVIDING SECTION REGARDING HEALTH BENEFITS UPON RETIREMENT: 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 15 of the City of Mesquite General Government Policies and Procedures is hereby amended by deleting Section 15.4(5) and adopting a new Section 15.4(5) to read as follows. In all other respects, said Chapter is to remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 15.4(5) Health Benefits Upon Retirement:

- a. Regular Full-Time Employees: Regular full-time employees who are eligible to retire under the City's retirement system will be provided the basic health benefits and prescription plan upon retirement until eligible for Medicare.
 - 1) Employees who have retired prior to February 1, 2000, and have not reached the age of 65 will be provided a health benefits and prescription plan until eligible for Medicare with no premium charge to the retiree. In addition, a health benefits and prescription plan shall be available to eligible dependents of retired employees who have retired prior to February 1, 2000, with no premium charge until the retiree or dependent reaches the age of 65.
 - 2) Employees, who retire on or after February 1, 2000, will be provided a health benefits and prescription plan until eligible for Medicare at a premium charge to be determined annually. Coverage shall be available to eligible dependents of retired employees who retire on or after February 1, 2000, at a premium charge to be determined annually.
- b. Medical Plan Coverage for Retirees/Dependents eligible for Medicare: Retired employees or dependents who become eligible for Medicare benefits may retain a health benefits and prescription plan by paying the required premium. Such extended coverage shall always be secondary, with Medicare being the primary coverage.

SECTION 2. That it is the intent of the City Council that the provisions hereof are deemed severable, and in the event any provision shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid shall not affect those provisions left standing.

SECTION 3. That all ordinances of the City of Mesquite in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall be and are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 4. The fact that the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite do not adequately address health insurance benefits provided to retirees and dependents prior to eligibility for Medicare and Medicaid creates an urgency and emergency in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare, and makes necessary 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 Mesquite, Texas, on the 6th day of July, 1999.

Mike Anderson

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

N Williams

City Secretary

City Attorney

CERTIFICATE FOR ORDINANCE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF DALLAS
CITY OF MESQUITE

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

1. The City Council of said City convened in REGULAR MEETING ON THE 19TH DAY OF JULY, 1999, at the Municipal Center, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of said City Council, to-wit:

Mike L. Anderson, Mayor
John L. Heiman, Jr., Mayor Pro-Tem
David L. Paschall, Deputy Mayor Pro-Tem
Stephen S. Alexander
James W. Folks
Carole A. Lochhead
Steve A. Whitworth

Ellen Williams, City Secretary

and all of said persons were present, except the following absentees: ________ 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, PUBLIC PROPERTY FINANCE CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS, SERIES 1999, IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,710,000, APPROVING AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PURCHASE AGREEMENT, 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 19th day of July, 1999.

City Secretary

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