ORDINANCE NO. 3441

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS UP TO TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000.00); PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, Section 252.021 of the Texas Local Government Code has been amended to increase the amount by which a municipality may expend funds from fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) without compliance with the bid or sealed proposal procedures of Chapter 252.

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

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to approve the award of bids, contracts and proposals, and the expenditure of funds up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for items and projects that are included in the City's Operating and Capital Budgets without further approval of the City Council.

SECTION 2. That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph or provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall not be affected and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That all ordinances or portions thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed. To the extent that such ordinances or portions thereof are not in conflict herewith, the same shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite do not authorize and allow the City Manager to approve expenditures up to twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) without prior approval of the City Council and do not reflect the changes made to Section 252.021 of the Texas Local Government Code recently adopted by the 2001 State Legislature, creates an urgency and an emergency for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and requires that this ordinance shall take effect September 1, 2001.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on this the 20th day of August, 2001.

Mike Anderson

Mayor

ATTEST:

Ellen Williams

City Secretary

APPROVED:

B. J. Smith

City Attorney