

ORDINANCE NO. 3473

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2912 BY MAINTAINING ASSIGNMENT PAY AT ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS PER MONTH, PROVIDING WHICH EMPLOYEES SHALL RECEIVE SAME AND ADDING TWENTY DOLLARS PER TWENTY-FOUR HOUR SHIFT UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; DEFINING "REGULARLY ASSIGNED"; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

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

SECTION 1. That Ordinance No. 2912, duly passed and approved by City Council on September 20, 1993, is hereby amended to read as follows, in all other respects said ordinance to remain in full force and effect:

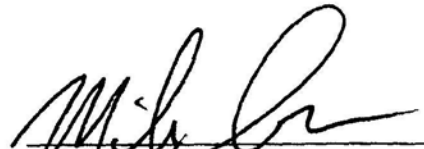
- A. Pursuant to Chapter 143 of the Local Government Code, the City of Mesquite does hereby establish over and above all other compensation paid to firefighters, assignment pay in the amount of one hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars per month, per employee, plus twenty (\$20.00) dollars per twenty-four (24) hour shift under the following conditions:
  - 1. One hundred twenty-five (\$125.00) dollars per month is payable to those employees regularly assigned to work as paramedics on ambulances, paramedic engines and truck companies, the Emergency Medical Services Coordinator, the Emergency Medical Services Shift Duty Officers and those in other assignments when deemed necessary, appropriate and to the benefit of the Department as determined by the Fire Chief.
  - 2. In addition to the monthly assignment pay, those employees regularly assigned to work as paramedics who actually work a full shift on a designated front-line ambulance shall be paid an additional twenty (\$20.00) dollars per shift. Ten (\$10.00) dollars will be paid if the employee works at least twelve (12) hours but less than twenty-four (24) hours in the assignment. Five (\$5.00) dollars will be paid if the employee works at least six (6) hours but less than twelve (12) hours in the assignment. No shift payment will be made for working less than a six-hour assignment.
- B. The term "regularly assigned" shall mean those employees listed on the bimonthly payroll report by the Chief of the Fire Department as being regularly assigned to the above function(s) without regard as to whether additional duties may be performed by such persons.

SECTION 2. 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.

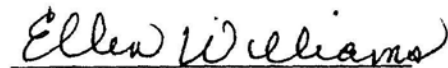
SECTION 3. That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph or provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That the present ordinances of the City of Mesquite do not adequately provide for assignment pay, creates an urgency and emergency for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and requires that this ordinance will 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 7th day of January, 2002.

  
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Mike Anderson  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Ellen Williams  
City Secretary

APPROVED:

  
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B. J. Smith  
City Attorney