## ORDINANCE NO. 3731 File No. 2005-1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING THE MESQUITE ZONING ORDINANCE ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 4, 1973, AND RECODIFIED ON NOVEMBER 21, 1988, BY AMENDING SECTION 1-301 BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 1-301(C)(6) THEREBY CREATING AN EXCEPTION TO NONCONFORMING SITUATIONS CAUSED BY RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITIONS; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND (\$2,000.00) DOLLARS FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, in order that the intended purposes of the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance are best served, it has been determined necessary to amend certain language of said ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission did give public notice and did hold a public hearing regarding the proposed revisions and has recommended amendment of the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council did give public notice and did hold a public hearing regarding the proposed amendment.

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

SECTION 1. That the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance adopted on September 4, 1973, and recodified on November 21, 1988, be and the same is hereby amended by adding a new Section 1-301(C)(6) to read as follows, said Ordinance in all other respects to remain in full force and effect:

Right-of-Way Acquisition

A structure or premise shall not be deemed nonconforming when the cause of the nonconformity is due solely to the acquisition of right-of-way for the construction of the LBJ, Phase 2 Project, Mesquite Section. Such premises that do not meet lot coverage requirements and/or parking requirements may be reconstructed, provided that the structure's square footage is not increased, all other development standards are met and no additional nonconformity is created.

SECTION 2. That all ordinances, or portions thereof, of the City of Mesquite in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict are hereby repealed.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 not in conflict herewith, the same shall remain in full force and effect.

That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph, phrase or SECTION 3. section of this ordinance be held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision hereof other than the part so decided to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional and shall not affect the validity of the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance as a whole.

That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions SECTION 4. or terms of this ordinance shall be deemed to be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor and subject to the same penalty as provided for in the Mesquite Zoning Ordinance, as amended, and upon conviction in the Municipal Court shall be punished by a fine not to exceed Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) Dollars for each offense.

That the need to regulate proper development of the City of SECTION 5. Mesquite and in order to protect the public interest, comfort and general welfare of the City of Mesquite, creates an urgency and 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 16th day of May, 2005.

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Secretary

City Attorney