## ORDINANCE NO. 4282

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 16 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, BY DELETING SECTION 16-1 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 16-1 THEREBY AMENDING THE RATES CHARGED FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE WATER DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND ESTABLISHING OCTOBER 1, 2013, AS THE DATE SUCH RATES BECOME EFFECTIVE.

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

SECTION 1. That Chapter 16 of the Code of the City of Mesquite, Texas, is hereby amended by deleting Section 16-1 in its entirety and adding a new Section 16-1 to read as follows, in all other respects said Code and Chapter to remain in full force and effect:

## Sec. 16-1. Water rates.

The water rates to be charged and collected by the City from all customers obtaining service from the waterworks system of the City shall be and are hereby fixed as set forth below:

## Residential water rates

Minimum – 1,000 gallons (minimum monthly charge)	\$9.65 \$4.60
Commercial and industrial water rates	
Minimum – 1,000 gallons	\$9.65 \$4.60
Apartment water rates	
Minimum – 1,000 gallons	\$7.25 \$4.60

Apartment complexes with more than one unit are billed by dividing the total number of gallons consumed by the number of units in the apartment complex and computing the bill as though each unit was a separate residence using the average number of gallons.

## City of Mesquite water rates

City of Mesquite water accounts shall be charged for all consumption in excess of 1,000 gallons at the same rate that the City pays North Texas Municipal Water District per 1,000 gallons.

SECTION 2. That the rates adopted by this ordinance shall be effective from and after October 1, 2013.

<u>SECTION 3</u>. 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or portions thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.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 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 not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall become effective from and after October 1, 2013.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 16th day of September, 2013.

John Monaco

Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Sonja Land
City Secretary

B.J. Smith City Attorney