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RESOLUTION NO. 39-71

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, REQUESTING THAT THE NORTH TEXAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT BE DESIGNATED AS THE OPERATING AGENCY FOR A REGIONAL SEWERAGE SYSTEM FOR THE EAST FORK OF THE TRINITY RIVER BASIN AND PROVIDING CERTAIN BASIC AIMS FOR NEGOTIATION IN REFERENCE THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Texas Water Quality Board has scheduled a hearing upon a request by the City of Garland, Texas, that such City be designated as the operating agency for a Regional Sewerage System for the East Fork of the Trinity River Basin; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite, having participated with Garland, Richardson, Plano, McKinney and Wylie in the cost of a feasibility study for implementation of a regional sewerage system, has and does endorse the concept of a regional system for the East Fork of the Trinity River Basin; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite, in consultation with other cities in the area to be served, has determined that the best interests of all the users of a regional sewerage system would be best served by the designation of an agency having broad representation from the municipalities served by the system; and

WHEREAS, the North Texas Municipal Water District is particularly constituted to afford the broad representation desired by most of the municipalities affected thereby; and

WHEREAS, the North Texas Municipal Water District has the legal authority to implement a regional system under the laws of the State of Texas; and

WHEREAS, the North Texas Municipal Water District is experienced in serving the needs of municipalities in the area of water supply and thus necessarily concerned with proper treatment of waste water;

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

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SECTION 1. That the City of Mesquite, respectfully requests and urges that the North Texas Municipal Water District be designated the operating agency for the East Fork Regional Sewerage System.

SECTION 2. That the City of Mesquite enter into negotiations with the North Texas Municipal Water District and other municipalities toward formulation of an agreement whereby the District will become the operating agency for the East Fork Regional Sewerage System with the establishment of a new appointed body responsible for planning and operation of the system composed of representatives from the municipalities served by the system.

SECTION 3. That such negotiations be guided by the following basic aims:

- A. Equitable representation in a new appointed policy and decision making body for participating cities so as to render the system responsive to the needs of each member.
- B. Consideration being given to loss incurred due to abandonment of existing facilities, including interim use of certain facilities during implementation of the total regional system in accordance with Federal and State standards.
- C. That participating cities be given consideration for waste water flows contributed to the system which may be sold or reused.
- D. That the charge for treatment be based upon a uniform rate according to degree of treatment rendered.
- E. That local control over type and location of customers remain with individual cities where same is not harmful to the system or in violation of Federal and State standards.


SECTION 4. The City of Mesquite, being an area of dynamic growth with a present population of 60,000 inhabitants and a projected population of 130,000 in 1990, and having a land area to accommodate a population of 300,000, must have a vital interest in the type of plan adopted to serve such an important role in the future of the area; and must insist that any plan adopted, aside

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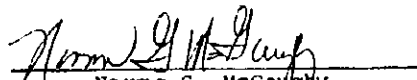
from its technical competence, have as its prerequisite a responsiveness to the needs of the people and the communities it serves.

SECTION 5. That this resolution take effect from and after the date of its passage as the Charter in such cases provides.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 6 day of December, A.D., 1971.

  
George Boyle  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Norma G. McGaughy  
City Secretary