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RESOLUTION NO. 23-75

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, ESTABLISHING A POLICY OF ACTION ON MINOR ZONING VIOLATIONS IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA, (EXCEPTING VIOLATIONS INVOLVING THE PARKING OF COMMERCIAL VEHICLES) AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLE VIOLATIONS BY WRITTEN COMPLAINT OF A CITIZEN ONLY AND DECLARING THE DURATION OF SUCH POLICY.

WHEREAS, the desirability or undesirability of certain business or semi-business operations from the home is, to a large extent, a matter of personal preference of those residing in the immediate vicinity; and,

WHEREAS, by the very nature of zoning restrictions, it is difficult to draft ordinances for city-wide application that takes into consideration the differing views of residents in the many areas of the City; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the members of this Council that government is best which most nearly reflects the views of those governed; and,

WHEREAS, in a period of troubled economic time and continued increase in the cost of government, the manpower cost of City staff initiated prosecution of minor zoning violations from the home, when not objectionable to residents in the immediate vicinity is unnecessarily burdensome to the hard-pressed taxpayer;

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

SECTION 1. That the manpower costs of the City be conserved as expeditiously as possible by limiting action on minor zoning violations such as small business operations from the home and violations involving the storing of recreational vehicles to those instances where a citizen signs a complaint charging a criminal violation and indicates a willingness to appear in court. Provided, however, that zoning violations involving the parking of commercial vehicles is expressly excepted from this policy.


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SECTION 2. Minor zoning violations are defined as those that have little or no effect on the city as a whole. In those instances where, in the opinion of the City Manager, a violation has substantial impact upon the city as a whole, such as violations on or visible from major thoroughfares and those affecting the public health such as wrecking yards or other problem situations, City personnel may, upon approval of the City Manager, initiate enforcement action.

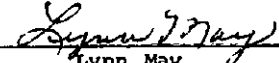
SECTION 3. This policy shall remain in effect until changed or modified by action of the City Council.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 21st day of July , A.D., 1975.



Bob Beard
Mayor

ATTEST:



Lynn May
Acting City Secretary