

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING THE MESQUITE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 20 (BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES); ARTICLE V (ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES) BY REVISING DIVISION 8 (YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD) FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING TWO ADDITIONAL REGULAR MEMBER POSITIONS TO THE MESQUITE YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD FOR A TOTAL OF ELEVEN REGULAR MEMBER POSITIONS; MAKING CERTAIN OTHER RELATED ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS; AND AUTHORIZING TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR NEW BOARD MEMBER TERMS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the **Mesquite Youth Advisory Board** was originally created on March 3, 2025, Ordinance No. 5156; and

WHEREAS, the **Mesquite Youth Advisory Board** allows adult members of the community to serve on the Board in an advisory capacity regarding Mesquite youth initiatives, programs, and other youth related projects; and

WHEREAS, the Mesquite Youth Advisory Board may also serve in an advisory capacity regarding the **Mesquite Youth Council** (a City program whereby the membership of the Youth Council is comprised of students residing in the Mesquite City limits); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas ("**City Council**"), is adding two additional Regular Member positions to the **Mesquite Youth Advisory Board** thereby making a total number of eleven (11) Regular Member positions; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City Council to protect the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite, Texas ("**City**"), is a home-rule municipality acting under its Charter adopted, and amended, by the electorate pursuant to Article 11, [Section 5](#) of the Texas Constitution and [Chapter 9](#) of the Texas Local Government Code; and

WHEREAS, a home-rule municipality has full power of local self-government, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Title 2, Subtitle D, Chapter 51, [Section 51.072\(a\)](#); and

WHEREAS, the City shall have the power to enact and enforce ordinances necessary to protect health, life, and property, and to preserve and enforce good government, order, and security of the City and its inhabitants; and to enact and enforce ordinances on any and all subjects pursuant to Article III, [Section 2](#) of the Mesquite City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion this ordinance should be approved and adopted.

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

SECTION 1. Recitals Incorporated.

The City Council hereby finds and determines the recitals made in the preamble of this ordinance are true and correct, and hereby incorporates such recitals here in the body of this ordinance as if copied in their entirety.

SECTION 2. Mesquite City Code Text Amendment.

Amending Chapter 20 - Boards, Commissions, and Committees.
The Mesquite City Code is hereby amended as identified in **EXHIBIT A**, thereby revising Chapter 20 – Boards, Commissions, and Committees, and said Exhibit is attached hereto and made a part hereof, and in all other respects, said Code, Chapters, and Articles shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Authorization of Transitional Provisions – Authority to adjust time period of new terms.

The City Secretary or his/her designee is hereby authorized to make one-time adjustments to the regular members' new terms, as necessary, to align persons with position numbers and coordinating expiration dates as identified in Chapter 20 of the Mesquite City Code.

SECTION 4. Conflicts Resolution Clause.

In the event of an irreconcilable conflict between the provisions of another previously adopted ordinance of the City of Mesquite and the provisions of this Ordinance, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be controlling.

SECTION 5. Severability Clause.

Should any word, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, clause, phrase, or section of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be void or unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of said ordinance and the Mesquite City Code, as hereby or previously amended, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6.

Effective Date.

That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption pursuant to Mesquite City Charter, Article IV, Section 24, and it is accordingly so ordained.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, ON THE 18th DAY OF AUGUST 2025.

Daniel Alemán, Jr .
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Sonja Land
City Secretary

David L. Paschall
City Attorney

MESQUITE CITY CODE

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Chapter 20 – BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

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ARTICLE V. - ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES

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[Editor's Note: Make the following revisions with additions identified in green font and underlined and deletions identified in ~~red font with strikethrough~~.]

DIVISION 8. – YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD

Sec. 20-6001. - Establishment of the Youth Advisory Board.

The City of Mesquite, Texas, Youth Advisory Board was created and established by the City Council on March 3, 2025. The Youth Advisory Board may also be referred to as "Mesquite Youth Advisory Board."

Sec. 20-6002. - In general.

The Youth Advisory Board was created and established by the City Council to serve in an advisory capacity regarding Mesquite Youth Council initiatives, programs, and other youth related programming and projects.

Sec. 20-6003. - Members.

- (a) *Regular members.* Eleven (11)~~Nine (9)~~ REGULAR MEMBERS shall be appointed by the City Council in accordance with this chapter.
- (b) *Informational members.* The City Manager, or his/her designee, shall assign at least one person from the following City departments to serve as INFORMATIONAL MEMBERS:
- (1) City Manager's Office; and
 - (2) Housing and Community Services; and
 - (3) Mesquite Police Department; and
 - (4) Parks and Recreation.

Cross references –

Definition of "INFORMATIONAL MEMBER" and "REGULAR MEMBER", Article I, [Sec. 20-5](#).
City Council action for appointments and confirmations, Article II, [Sec. 20-206](#).

Sec. 20-6004. - Organization.

- (a) *Regular Members.* REGULAR MEMBERS shall be appointed by the City Council to a specified position as designated below. Position numbers are assigned for term expiration date purposes and do not signify rank or seniority.

| Youth Advisory Board – Regular Members | |
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| Position No. 1. | Appointed for a term expiring in odd-numbered years. |
| | A representative from the Mesquite Independent School District – District Administration. |
| | City of Mesquite residency is not required. |
| Position No. 2. | Appointed for a term expiring in even-numbered years. |
| | A representative from the Mesquite Independent School District – High School Faculty or Staff. |
| | City of Mesquite residency is not required. |
| Position No. 3. | Appointed for a term expiring in odd-numbered years. |
| | A representative from the Mesquite Independent School District – Middle School Faculty or Staff. |
| | City of Mesquite residency is not required. |
| Position No. 4. | Appointed for a term expiring in even-numbered years. |
| | A representative from the Business Community. |
| | City of Mesquite residency is not required. |
| Position No. 5. | Appointed for a term expiring in odd-numbered years. |
| | A representative from the Business Community. |
| | City of Mesquite residency is not required. |
| Position No. 6. | Appointed for a term expiring in even-numbered years. |
| | Any resident of the City. |
| Position No. 7. | Appointed for a term expiring in odd-numbered years. |
| | Any resident of the City. |
| Position No. 8. | Appointed for a term expiring in even-numbered years. |
| | Any resident of the City. |
| Position No. 9. | Appointed for a term expiring in odd-numbered years. |
| | Any resident of the City. |
| <u>Position No. 10.</u> | <u>Appointed for a term expiring in even-numbered years.</u> |
| | <u>Any resident of the City.</u> |
| <u>Position No. 11.</u> | <u>Appointed for a term expiring in odd-numbered years.</u> |
| | <u>Any resident of the City.</u> |

- (b) *Alternates.* No ALTERNATES are appointed to the Youth Advisory Board.

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