

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, EXTENDING NIGHT FLASH OPERATIONS AT SELECTED SIGNALIZED INTERSECTIONS AND AUTHORIZING TRAFFIC ENGINEERING STAFF TO ADD OR REMOVE LOCATIONS TO THE NIGHT FLASH OPERATIONS OR TO ADJUST NIGHT FLASH TIMES AS TRAFFIC ENGINEERING JUDGMENT DICTATES; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the City Council on August 5, 2013, authorized Traffic Engineering staff to implement night flash from 11:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. operations at 34 signalized intersections of major arterials with local and collector streets; and

WHEREAS, the signal indications on the major street flashes yellow and the signal indications on the minor street flashes red during a night flash operation; and

WHEREAS, the primary benefit of this operation is a reduction of delays on both the main arterial and the intersection cross street as well as a side effect of reducing air pollution from cars idling at intersections waiting for a green light; and

WHEREAS, Traffic Engineering staff recommends extending the time for night flash operation from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. beginning June 1, 2019.

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

SECTION 1. That on or after June 1, 2019, the hours for night flash operations are hereby extended from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., and Traffic Engineering staff is authorized to add or remove intersections to night flash operations or adjust night flash times as determined by Traffic Engineering staff and approved by the Director of Public Works.

SECTION 2. 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or portions thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.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 3. That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph or provision of this ordinance be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall take effect on and after June 1, 2019.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas,  
on the 6th day of May 2019.

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Stan Pickett  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sonja Land  
City Secretary

APPROVED:



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David L. Paschall  
City Attorney