

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 16 OF THE MESQUITE CITY CODE, AS AMENDED, BY DELETING SECTION 16-4 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 16-4 THEREBY UPDATING THE CAUSES FOR DISCONNECTION OF WATER SERVICE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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, as amended, is hereby amended by deleting Section 16-4 in its entirety and adding a new Section 16-4 to read as follows, in all other respects said Code and Chapter shall remain in full force and effect:

Sec. 16-4. Cause for disconnection of service.

The following shall be sufficient cause to disconnect any and all services to the water or sanitary sewer mains of the City:

- (1) Failure to pay when due monthly bills for water or sanitary sewer services including any applicable penalties and charges imposed for failing to pay for such services on time;
- (2) Failure to maintain a service deposit calculated under Section 16-2;
- (3) Failure to pay the established sewer charge for industrial waste when due including any surcharge for industrial waste discharged to the sanitary sewer mains as established in Section 16-91;
- (4) Repeated discharge of prohibited waste to the sanitary sewer;
- (5) Failure to install, test or maintain backflow preventors or comply with any other requirements as set forth in Chapter 5, Article VI, Division 5.5, relating to backflow and cross-connection provisions; or
- (6) Failure to repair leaks or other defects on private plumbing, a fire sprinkler system or other privately-owned water or sanitary sewer system connected to the City water or sanitary sewer system.

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or portions thereof in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance, to the extent of such conflict, are hereby repealed.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 immediately from and after its passage.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 20th day of May 2019.

Stan Pickett
Mayor

ATTEST:

Sonja Land
City Secretary

APPROVED:



David L. Paschall
City Attorney