

City of Mesquite, Texas

Legislation Text

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A resolution repealing Resolution No. 51-2016 and adopting a new tax lien foreclosure policy.

On December 5, 2016, the City Council passed Resolution No. 51-2016 to adopt a tax lien foreclosure policy to address properties with delinquent taxes owed for five or more years, or properties with delinquent taxes totaling more than twenty-five percent of the appraised value. Under this policy the City Manager, or the City Manager's designee, is authorized to take all actions necessary to carry out the policy, including initiating the foreclosure process through tax lawsuits against the property owner(s) when all prior collection efforts have been exhausted, and issuing orders of sale through the Dallas County Sheriff's Office upon final judgment of tax suits by the District Court. The tax foreclosure process is conducted by the City's tax attorney, Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP (Linebarger), in accordance with the sealed bid auction process under the Tax Code.

The proposed resolution only updates the policy to include properties within Kaufman County and does not change any other provision or requirement of the existing policy.

Recommended/Desired Action

Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

Attachment

Resolution

Resolution No. 51-2016 redline

Drafter

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