

TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS

ORDINANCE NO. 093-074

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY THE ADDITION OF SECTION 9-54 RESTRICTING THE USE OF SKATEBOARDS, SKATES, AND ROLLERBLADES WITHIN THE CITY LIMIT; PROVIDING FOR AN EXCEPTION TO SUCH RESTRICTIONS; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00); PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that there is a need for an ordinance restricting the usage of skates, skateboards, and rollerblades to protect the public health and safety. Specifically, numerous incidents have been reported to the City Council between persons utilizing such devices and the residents of the City. In addition, substantial property damage, caused by persons utilizing such devices, has been reported to the City Council. The Town of Addison has carefully studied this issue and determined that the usage of these devices in non-residential areas within the City is dangerous and against the public health, safety, and welfare.

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

Section 1. That Chapter 9 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by the addition of Sec. 9-54. Skateboards, Skates and Rollerblades so that said section shall hereafter read as follows:

"Sec. 9-54. Skateboards, Skates and Rollerblades.

(a) Definitions

- (1) Skateboard - a narrow board mounted on roller wheels.**
- (2) Skate - a shoe or facsimile thereof attached to a set of wheels for skating on a flat surface.**
- (3) Rollerblade - a skate with the set of roller wheels located in the center of the skate.**

- (b) No person shall ride or use any skateboard, skate, or rollerblade within the City limits except in areas zoned for residential use or in public parks.**

Section 2. Any person violating the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction be subject to a fine in accordance with the general provisions of the Code of Ordinances.

Section 3. The prohibition contained in Section 1 of this Ordinance shall not apply to any display, demonstration, exhibit or contest sponsored or supported, in whole or in part, by the Town.

Section 4. If any section or provision of this ordinance or the application of that section or provision to any person, firm, corporation, situation or circumstance is for any reason judged invalid, the adjudication shall not affect any other section or provision of this ordinance or the application of any other section or provision to any other person, firm, corporation, situation or circumstance, and the City Council declares that it would have adopted the valid portions and applications of the ordinance without the invalid parts and to this end the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.


Section 5. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and it is so ordained.

DULY PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ADDISON, TEXAS, this 14th day of December, 1993.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Secretary

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