

ORDINANCE NO. 91-5-2

BEING AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAVON, A GENERAL LAW MUNICIPALITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS ENTITLED "DIALING 9-1-1 WHEN NO EMERGENCY EXISTS"; CREATING AN OFFENSE FOR DIALING A 9-1-1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER WHEN NO EMERGENCY EXISTS; CREATING A PRESUMPTION AS TO WHO DIALED A 9-1-1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBER; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALING CLAUSE, PROVIDING SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE NOT TO EXCEED THE SUM OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00) FOR EACH OFFENSE; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF LAVON THAT:

SECTION 1. DIALING 9-1-1 WHEN NO EMERGENCY EXISTS.

- (a) A person commits an offense if he knowingly dials an emergency telephone number when no emergency exists.
- (b) A person is presumed to have dialed a 9-1-1 emergency telephone number if the telephone from which the number is dialed is listed in his name with the local telephone company.


SECTION 2. REPEALING CLAUSE - That all ordinances of the City in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance be, and the same are hereby, repealed and all other ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE - Should any paragraph, sentence, subdivision, clause, phrase or section of this ordinance be adjudged or held to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part or provision thereof other than the part so decided to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. PENALTY - Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions or terms of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each offense, and each day such violation shall continue to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION CLAUSE - This ordinance shall take effect immediately from and after its passage and publication of its caption, as the law in such cases provides.

DULY PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS, THIS 02 DAY OF May, 1991.

  
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John K. Smith, Mayor

ATTEST: