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Collin County Commissioners' Court
2300 Bloomdale Road, Suite 4192
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RE: Public Hearing on application to operate an automotive salvage/wrecking yard at
10999 Highway 78 (Lavon), Dallas GM Export

An application to operate an automotive salvage/wrecking yard at 10999 Highway 78 has
been received by this office in accordance with Commissioners' Court Order 93-141-11-
08.

This site has been a wrecking yard for many years and was operated by Jerry Miller. The
owner of the property, Raymond Hairell of Colman, Oklahoma, sold the property to its
current owner Nieves Marquez on 10-18-2005 and the business remained as Jerry Miller
Wrecking. On 11-02-2009 Mr. Marquez leased the site to Maiker A. Gonzalez (Dallas
GM Export), who has made application with this office to operate a wrecking/salvage
yard..

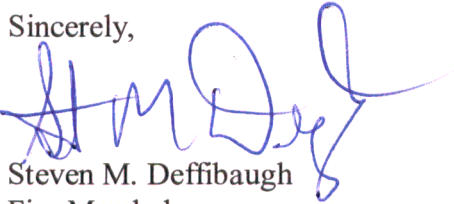
Mr. Gonzalez has made tremendous improvement on the property and repairs to the fence
and the ground itself. If granted a permit from the County, he indicates the business will
be strictly export and not a retail salvage yard. He has indicated most if not all of the
vehicles he will purchase will come from impound lots, such as the one operated by
Dallas Police Department. He will part out the vehicles and all the parts, except for the
frame will be loaded into containers and once a full load is achieved it will be transported
to Venezuela and once they have approximately 40-50 vehicle frames, he will have them
crushed and disposed of.

In order to be permitted, a variance will have to be granted from Commissioners' Court.
Article II, Section Three, B (4) "states the proposed covered business shall be at least
three hundred feet from the property line of a lot on which there is a church, a school, a
park, a hospital, a nursing home, or a residence (single family home, duplex, apartment,
townhouse or mobile home) or the property line of a residential subdivision." I have
attached aerial photos of the site depicting its location along with a residence.

This has been a site of numerous complaints from neighbors concerning the wrecking yard operations. This site is cleaner than I have ever seen it. The fence appears to be in good repair and Mr. Gonzalez has brought in rock for the "yard" in order to make it an all weather surface.

I would recommend a permit authorizing the operations of a wrecking/salvage yard be issued to Maiker Gonzalez DBA Dallas GM Export based on inspection of the site and the plans for the operation of the business, being a wholesale export dealer and not a retail business open to the general public.

Sincerely,



Steven M. Deffibaugh
Fire Marshal

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