



## CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

**FROM:** The Office of the City Manager    **DATE:** 03/05/2018

**SUBJECT:** 2017 Police Department and Fire Department Annual Reports

**PRESENTER:** Jimmy Perdue and Stan Tinney

### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION:**

The 2017 Annual Reports for the North Richland Hills Police Department and Fire Department provide a snapshot of the activity and accomplishments of both departments during the calendar year. It shows a variety of activity measurements indicating the effort of these dedicated public safety employees.

Police Department - During 2017, a 4% increase was experienced in UCR Part I offenses when compared to the previous year. Significant decreases were seen in shoplifting, robbery and rape. An 8% decrease was experienced in Part II offenses when compared to the previous year, with a significant decrease observed in narcotic crimes. We continued to improve both our efficiency and effectiveness in serving our community and the delivery of shared services. In 2017, our department developed policy and issued Axon body-worn cameras to our officers. We will present Council with a demonstration of these during this report. Our department also collaborated with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) to be featured in a video production. This short film was featured at the Annual Conference and on the IACP website and highlighted the accomplishments of our officers and community wellness programs as well as the Women of Law Enforcement Conference that our agency hosts each year.

Fire Department – In 2017, the department went over 8,000 calls for the second time in the department's history. Combined turnout and travel times decreased an average of 12.3 seconds per call. We continued our partnership with Birdville Independent School District and Tarrant County College to continue its second class of Fire Academy students. The department was the first in the nation to implement lifesaving antibiotics in the field to septic patients. These and other accomplishments made 2017 an effective and productive year. The NRHFD Strategic Plan was reviewed and revised. These plans will enhance our ability to communicate, within the department and directly to the community, the plans, needs, and progress of the fire department.