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**TITLE:** Discuss Court of Record

**COUNCIL GOAL:** Operational Excellence  
(**2C:** Identify opportunities for internal efficiencies and continuous improvement to affect a high performing organizational culture)

**MEETING DATE:** June 4, 2019

**DEPARTMENT:** Municipal Court

**CONTACT:** April Morman, Court Administrator  
Steve Tilton, Assistant City Manager

**RECOMMENDED CITY COUNCIL ACTION:**

- No action - for informational purposes. Proposed ordinance approving Court of Record status tentatively set for June 18, 2019.

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

- Court Administrator April Morman will discuss the benefits of the City of McKinney becoming a Court of Record. Key reasons that the City of McKinney should pursue becoming a Court of Record include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - To reduce the number of uncontested cases being appealed;
  - To reduce the administrative burden for court staff to prepare cases for appeal;
  - To recapture revenue on uncontested cases appealed to Collin County; and
  - To bring uncontested cases to a final outcome.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

- With the potential passing of an ordinance approving Court of Record status in McKinney, the City will have all the necessary requirements met to become a Court of Record. 10 of 12 of our comparable/benchmark communities are

Courts of Record.

**FINANCIAL SUMMARY:**

- Over the course of the past five (5) years, there have been 1,797 cases appealed to Collin County. Those cases have totaled \$273,928.53 in lost revenue to the City.

**BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:**

- N/A

**SUPPORTING MATERIALS:**

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