CITY OF McKINNEY, TEXAS



Legislation Text

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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