

TITLE: Building Inspections ISO Ratings for 2024

COUNCIL GOAL: Safe and Secure Community

MEETING DATE: June 18, 2024

DEPARTMENT: Development Services / Building Inspections

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ITEM SUMMARY:

 ISO rates Building Inspections Departments on their strength of building code enforcement to ensure resilient communities. Ratings are on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being the best. McKinney's 2024 ratings are 2 for commercial construction and 3 for residential constructions. These ratings improved by two points in each category since the last assessment in 2019, placing McKinney Building Inspections in the top 5% in Texas.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- ISO rates Building Inspection departments approximately every 4 years using the Building Code Effectiveness Grading Schedule (BCEGS).
- ISO ratings provide advisory information to insurance companies to help establish property insurance rates for the community.
- Quality buildings resist forces of nature and may slow the spread of fire, reducing losses and insurance claims.
- Departments are rated separately for commercial and residential building code enforcement.
- Criteria includes training, employee credentials, adopted codes, certification policies and procedures, and strength of leadership.
- McKinney's ratings in 2019 were 4 for commercial and 5 for residential. This
 year's 2-point improvement in each category is a big accomplishment that
 speaks to the quality of staff and services.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

• No financial impact

BOARD OR COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

• No Board or Commission action

SUPPORTING MATERIALS:

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