



# News Release

## CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

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### ***Council Approves Age Restricted (55+) Planned Development***

At the July 26 meeting, Council approved the final read of an ordinance amending the zoning of a 26 acre tract of land on the east side of Chinn Chapel to allow for an age restricted (55+) Planned Development. The Planned Development would allow for a detached residential condominium development consisting of approximately 100 homes. The applicant, G&A Consultants, on behalf of the Integrity Group, is proposing an age restricted, maintenance free, gated community integrated with quality amenities to enhance the quality of life for active adults seeking a maintenance free lifestyle.

Council approved a resolution appointing Brad Goudie as Highland Village Fire Chief. Goudie joined the Highland Village Fire Department in February 2015 from League City, Texas where he served as Director of Emergency Services/Fire Chief. Prior positions held include Deputy Fire Chief in Roanoke, Texas, as well as supporting assignments in Pantego and Euless, Texas. "I am very confident in the knowledge and leadership of Chief Goudie as we promote him to Chief. His experience in Highland Village provides a smooth transition to continue the level of service the Fire Department provides our citizens," stated City Manager Michael Leavitt.

The City Council received a presentation of the results of recent resident satisfaction survey. Positive results were shown with over 65% of residents expressing satisfaction of the services they receive in relation to the property and sales taxes paid. Residents rated the appearance of Highland Village high in regard to quality of life as well as the safety of the community, the parks and trails system and the services provided by the Fire Department. The survey, conducted by Creative Consume Research, took place in spring 2016. The survey measured resident's opinion of aspects of life in Highland Village, the services provided by each department and the interaction with staff members. Public Safety was looked at more closely by assessing satisfaction with Police and Fire handling of calls and response time to calls. Communication with residents was also a focus in evaluating the current communication tools and inquiring as to the best method of communication with residents. The complete survey results are available on the city website.

The [HVTV Update](#) informed residents of the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Highland Village Lions Club Balloon Festival scheduled to take place August 19-21 at Unity Park in Highland Village and the August 9 Highland Village Business Association luncheon. The Update also featured a video highlighting the 2015 Non-Profit of the Year award winner, Special Abilities of North Texas.

The City Council early work session and regular session is available on HVTV (Time Warner 16; Verizon 43) and via the website streaming by clicking HVTV. The meetings are also available for on-demand viewing on the city website.