

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE November 30, 2018

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **Department of Defense Training Exercise**

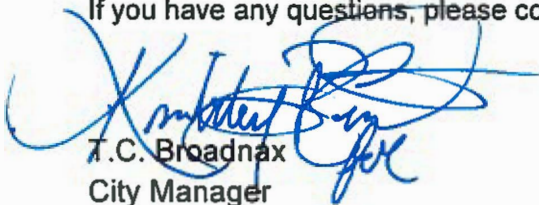
On Thursday, December 6, 2018 from 7pm-10pm, a Department of Defense (DOD) training exercise will be conducted at 7525 Scyene Road (old vacant Doctor's Hospital). The training will consist of two scenarios spaced an hour apart. During each of the scenarios two military helicopters will transport personnel to the location, briefly land (to extract personnel) and depart the area. Once the personnel have assembled, they will enter the vacant structure. An energetic breaching will be used on an external and internal door. The energetic breach will be made with small, contained explosives to open the doorways. Once personnel are inside the structure, the training will continue with the use of simunitions (not live rounds). Each scenario will have approximately 65 military personnel, this includes the individuals already staged at the location and those that will be airlifted in by helicopter. Other than the energetic breach on an external door, all the training will be contained inside the vacant structure.

On Friday, December 7, 2018 from 12pm-6pm, the exercise will be conducted at 2727 Turtle Creek (vacant, old Republic Bank). The training will incorporate energetic breaching and simunitions. However, the entire exercise will be contained inside the vacant structure. All involved military personnel will be parked and staged inside the adjoining parking garage.

The Dallas SWAT unit will be providing an initial sweep of the buildings as well as site security for training. There will be safety officers at each location to prevent any unauthorized personnel from entering the site.

The DOD will notify surrounding residences and businesses of the training by going door to door prior to the start of the exercises. If an individual is not at a location, a handbill will be left. Dallas Police and Dallas Fire Rescue Communications will be notified prior to the training commencing. The DOD will provide a script to address any 911 calls. Dallas Police Department Public Information Office (PIO) has been in contact with the DOD PIO and will post information on Nextdoor to the affected neighborhoods.

If you have any questions, please contact Assistant Chief Paul Stokes at 214-316-5014.



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