

Memorandum



DATE: February 6, 2015

TO: Honorable Members of the Public Safety Committee:
Sheffie Kadane (Chair), Adam Medrano (Vice Chair), Dwaine Caraway, Jennifer S. Gates,
Sandy Greyson, Scott Griggs

SUBJECT: **Recruit Training**

On Monday, February 9, 2015, you will be briefed on the Recruit Training. The briefing materials are attached for your review.



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Assistant City Manager

Attachment

c: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
A.C. Gonzalez, City Manager
Warren M.S. Ernst, City Attorney
Craig D. Kinton, City Auditor
Rosa A. Rios, City Secretary
Daniel F. Solis, Administrative Judge
Ryan S. Evans, First Assistant City Manager

Jill A. Jordan, P.E., Assistant City Manager
Mark McDaniel, Assistant City Manager
Joey Zapata, Assistant City Manager
Jeanne Chipperfield, Chief Financial Officer
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Elsa Cantu, Assistant to the City Manager – Mayor & Council

Recruit Training



PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
February 9, 2015



VISION STATEMENT

To be the best trained, technologically advanced, customer-focused fire service organization in the country.



New Recruit Training

DFR fire recruit training exceeds the Texas Commission on Fire Protection's (TCFP) minimum training curriculum of 468 hours. TCFP curriculum topics include:

- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA)
- Forcible Entry
- Ventilation
- Communications
- Building Construction



New Recruit Training

TCFP training topics continued:

- Search and Rescue
- Fire Science
- Flashover
- Fire Hose Use
- Incident Management
- Hazardous Materials



New Recruit Training

DFR requires additional training for a total curriculum exceeding 936 hours. Training topics include:

- DART/DART Tunnel
- High-rise Firefighting
- Diversity Training
- Traffic Management



New Recruit Training

DFR recruit training entails various physical training exercises and timed skills:

- Timed 1.5 mile run
- Timed ventilation skill
- Timed high-rise tower climb
- Daily physical and skills training
- Ladder climb



New Recruit Training

DFR Instructors hold the following Fire Service Certifications:

- Fire Service Instructor II, III
- Master Fire Service Instructor III



New Recruit Training

- DFR recruit instructors provide extensive live fire training instruction.
- During the typical training day, DFR instructors stage unannounced fires in the burn building to simulate life at the fire station.
- Instructors provide feedback and coaching to ensure optimum performance.



New Recruit EMS Training

DFR has a long standing training partnership with University of Texas Southwestern (UTSW). UTSW provides training covering the following modules:

- Basic Life Support
- Emergency Medical Technician Certification



Summary

The Dallas Fire-Rescue Department's Recruit Training Program is designed to prepare the recruits for the rigors of the job of a firefighter and bring their level of fitness and education in the fire service to and above the highest of standards.

Questions?