



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council, City Manager Mike Land

From: Mac Tristan, Chief of Police

Date: September 26, 2017

Reference: **City Council Work Session Item for September 26, 2017 on Coppell Teen Alcohol Diversion Program**

2030: Coppell 2030, Healthy Neighborhoods/Safe Neighborhoods

Introduction:

Calendar year 2016 showed a dramatic increase in underage alcohol violations for Coppell. The City of Coppell has always had a strong stance regarding underage drinking and the dangers in which it places our youth. In an attempt to further educate parents and teens in our community, the Coppell Police Department is implementing a first offender program for underage drinking that will start October 1, 2017. This has been one of the police department's council goals for this year. The program will apply to first time offenders only and if completed by the youth and the parent, they will not be charged with the offense and it will not go on their record.

The police department will provide a brief description of the program, its goals, anticipated outcomes, and benefits to the youth of our community.