



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Mac Tristan, Chief of Police

**Date:** April 24, 2018

**Reference:** **Presentation by the Texas Police Chiefs Association Foundation to the Coppel Police Department in Recognition of their Completion of the Texas Law Enforcement Best Practices Program**

**2030:** Coppel 2030, Healthy Neighborhoods

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### **Introduction:**

The Coppel Police Department is receiving the award of “**Recognized Law Enforcement Agency**” for the second time from the Texas Police Chiefs Association Law Enforcement Recognition Program. The Department was first Recognized in April 2014 after meeting all the required best business practices for Texas Law Enforcement. The Coppel Police Department constantly conducts critical self-reviews of the agency’s policies, procedures, facilities and overall operations. In order to achieve Recognition, the Department must meet 168 standards that cover all aspects of law enforcement operations including use of force, protection of citizen rights, vehicle pursuits, property and evidence management, and patrol and investigative operations.

On February 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of 2018, an on-site review was conducted by trained Police Chief assessors who inspected all of the agencies’ policies, procedures, and overall operations to ensure compliance with the 168 standards. The result of this review was then sent to the Texas Police Chiefs Association’s Recognition Committee for final analysis and decision to award “Recognized” status.

### **Analysis:**

On March 2, 2018, the Department was notified that it had been awarded the coveted “Recognized Law Enforcement Agency” award for a second time. The Coppel Police Department becomes one of 146 agencies in the state to have achieved Recognition. The Coppel Police Department has always considered itself to be one of the best in the state. This process provided for an independent review of the department’s operations and should assure the citizens of Coppel that its Police Department is conforming to current state of the art practices in law enforcement all for purpose of providing efficient and effective delivery of service and the protection of individual’s rights..

### **Fiscal Impact:**

N/A

**Legal Review:**

N/A.

**Recommendation:**

Staff is proud to receive this Recognition by the Texas Police Chief's Association and assures Council and our citizens that we continue to strive to provide the best service delivery possible to maintain a safe and peaceful community environment.