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Lewisville Area Chamber Supports Fire and Safety Funding

Lewisville, Texas – The Lewisville Area Chamber of Commerce supports the reauthorization of the Crime Control District and Fire Prevention District on the May 7, 2016 ballot, and urges Lewisville residents to vote in favor of both propositions. Communities, like the greater Lewisville area, are most prosperous when they feel safe and their property is protected. Since the current Crime Control District and Fire Prevention District was approved by voters in 2011, the associated sales and use tax revenues over the past five years provided the following enhancements to the safety and protection of life and property in the City of Lewisville:

- The Fire Prevention District has funded the purchase of a sixth ambulance, adding nine firefighters to staff the ambulance, remodeling Fire House #6 and making improvements to three other stations, technology upgrades, and increasing professional staff dedicated to emergency management operations.
- The Crime Control District has funded 31 new positions including patrol officers, dispatchers, jailers, evidence technicians and support specialists. Vehicles also were purchased for some of the new positions.

Successful reauthorization of the Crime Control and Fire Prevention Districts for an additional 20 years would include the potential future uses:

- The design and construction of the new Fire House #8 in east Lewisville, purchase of a second ladder truck, and the hiring 18 additional firefighters to staff the new station and vehicle.
- Maintaining the 31 new police department positions added during the initial authorization of the Crime Control District, along with other technology and equipment purchases.

“Reauthorization will ensure our community continues to thrive,” says Ray Hernandez, Lewisville Area Chamber President. “We need Lewisville residents to voice their opinion at the polls.” Election Day is Saturday, May 7.

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About the Lewisville Chamber of Commerce: The Lewisville Area Chamber of Commerce is an independent non-profit (501(c) (6)) organization of businessmen and women who are investing their resources in community development programs – working together to improve the economic, civic and cultural strength of the Lewisville area. The Chamber represents a unique partnership with business, civic and educational leaders in the Denton County area as well as throughout the Metropolis. The goal of the partnership is to transform the region into a premier community where businesses flourish, education reaches a new level of excellence, and the neighborhoods provide a safe and friendly environment. For more information about the Chamber visit www.lewisvillechamber.org.